

Term: 3 Week 6  
DATE: 28 August 2025

## »»» NEWSLETTER «««



# BARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

## CALENDAR

### Term 3

**Friday 29 August**  
RYSTEM

**Thursday 4 September**  
Fathers Day Breakfast

**Friday 5 September**  
Regional Athletics - Glendale

**Monday 8 September**  
PSSA Netball Round 3 - Raymond Terrace

**Tuesday 9 September**  
GHS - Year 6 BBQ

**Wednesday 10 September**  
Musica Viva

**Monday 15 September**  
Amazing Me Puberty Session - Year 6

**Wednesday 24 September**  
NSW PSSA Netball Finals - Sydney

**Thursday 25 September**  
Yr 6 fundraiser - Crazy hair/sock day

**Friday 26 September**  
End of Term Assembly

## FUN FOOD HELPERS

**Tuesday 2 September**  
Bridie and Hannah

## Integrity & Excellence

### Stewart House Pyjama Day Fundraiser

Last Wednesday BPS raised \$95.00 for Stewart House.  
Thank you to all who participated and donated.



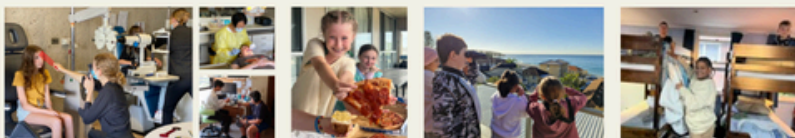
Your support helped make our first-ever  
Stewart House PJ Day a success!



# THANK YOU SO MUCH!



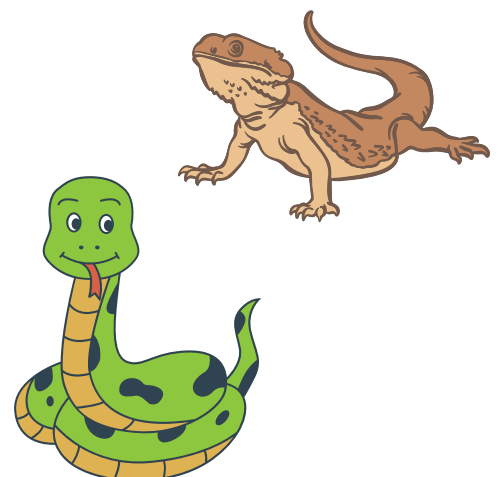
Because of your support, children from across NSW and the ACT have the chance to rest, recover and receive health screening and wellbeing support at Stewart House.





# NEWS & INFORMATION

## WOW Reptile Show



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## Check-in Assessment for Year 3-6

During Term 3, students will participate in the Check-in assessment. The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Students with disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment they would normally receive in the classroom.

The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 3-6 students during **Week 7**.

All students complete a reading assessment and a numeracy assessment. Year 6 students will also complete a writing assessment.

## Premier's Reading Challenge



Hopefully, all those students entered into the challenge are still reading and registering their books on the online portal. You still have until Friday 19 September 2025 to finish the challenge. If you need any help don't forget to see Mrs Sansom.

## PSSA Netball Knockout Round 3



Wishing our netball team all the best for their next game. They will play Mount Pleasant in Raymond Terrace on Monday 8<sup>th</sup>. If successful they will proceed through to the State Finals in Sydney.





# NEWS & INFORMATION

## Morning Reading Club

It's been fantastic to see such enthusiastic reading from all our Kindergarten and Year 1 students. Many are so eager to read with a "big kid" that they're choosing to come to Reading Club during recess and lunch! A big thank you to all the wonderful students who have been generously giving their time to support Reading Club – your help is truly appreciated!



## Great News: Our New Sports Shirts Have Arrived!

We're thrilled to let you know that our new sports shirts are here—and they look fantastic! A heartfelt thank you goes to our wonderful P&C for providing every student with one of these new shirts.

Important reminder:

- Wear the new sports shirt every Friday, whenever you're participating in school sporting events like the athletics carnival or representing PSSA sport.
- On all other days, students should continue wearing their regular school uniform.





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## Todd Woodbridge Cup - Tennis Gala Day



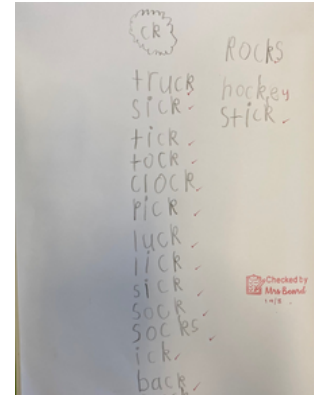
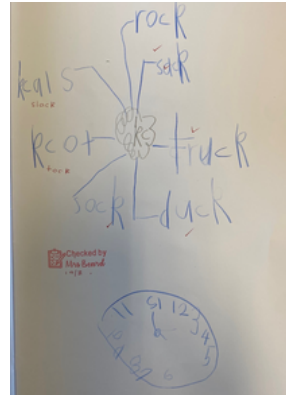
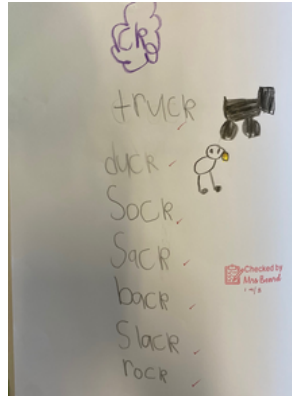


# CLASSROOM CAPERS



## Kindergarten

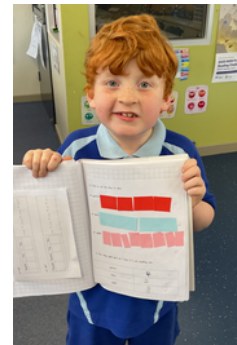
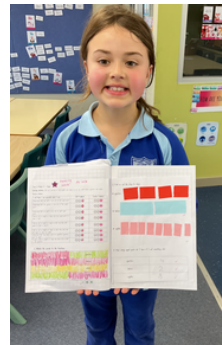
In kindergarten we have begun to explore digraphs, two letters that work together to make one sound. One common digraph we have learnt is "ck", which appears at the end of many short vowel words. They have learnt that "ck" makes the /k/ sound and is used after a short vowel, as in words like pack, kick, and rock. Through hands on activities such as word building, writing practice, and picture-word matching, they are learning to recognise, read, and write "ck" words with confidence.



## 1/2/3

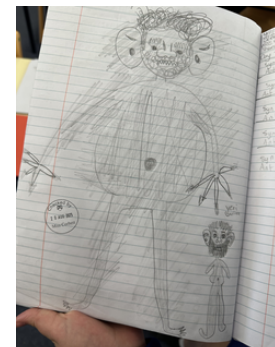
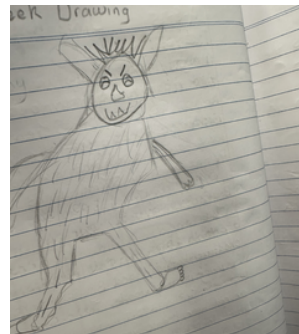
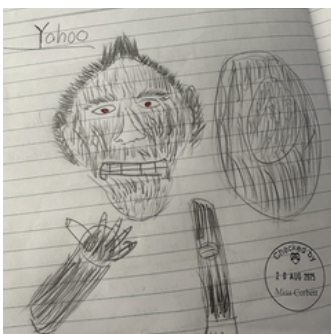
Last week in Mathematics, students in Years 1, 2, and 3 explored the concept of fractions through practical, hands-on activities. We focused on understanding fractions as parts of a whole. Year 1 students investigated halves, quarters, and eighths using lengths, helping them to visualise how a whole can be divided into equal parts. Years 2 and 3 moved further into fractional understanding by learning to represent fractions using formal fractional notation (e.g.,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ ).

It's been wonderful to see students using real-world materials to develop a strong foundation in fractions!



## 4/5/6

This term in 4/5/6 we are learning about argument and authority in texts. Our unit is based on the book Yahoo Creek: An Australian Mystery by Tohby Riddle. We are exploring how different voices and sources help us understand a story or event. We'll also learn how authors make their arguments strong and believable. As part of this, we'll look at the myth of the Yowie and how stories and newspaper reports have shaped this Australian legend. This week we have looked at what the Yowie may look like based off of the descriptions in the text.





# CLASSROOM AWARDS TERM 3 WEEK 5

## Kindergarten

**Emmett** - being a kind and caring friend and an awesome classroom helper.

**Amelia** - great sounding out when reading decodeable readers.

**Casey** - trying her best to sound out words when writing independently.



## 1/2/3

**Charlotte** - becoming more confident when participating in class discussions.

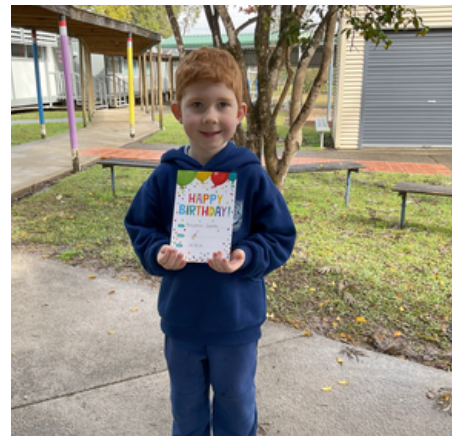
**Clancie** - great work dividing a whole into parts to show a given fraction.

**Katie** - giving things a go even when you aren't confident.

**Jaxon** - focusing hard on your reading.



## Birthday - Ben



## 4/5/6

**Willow** - showing a fantastic understanding of arrays and fact families in maths lessons.

**Ivy** - her incredible perseverance whilst learning about decimals in maths.

**Ella** - showing excellent sportsmanship and respecting others.

## Kindness Award - Grace





# CLASSROOM AWARDS TERM 3 WEEK 5

## SILVER AWARDS



**Kindergarten** - Auroara, Amelia, Aurora, William, Boston, James

**1/2/3** - Pearl, Clancie, Charlotte, Isa-Meri, Deegan, Kody, Myla



**4/5/6** - Ella, Ivy, Isla, Archie, Liam, Baxter, Archer, Zoe, Chelsea







# Father's Day BBQ BREAKFAST

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
8 am



All dads, grandads and significant family friends welcome.



## BARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

Our experienced teachers and inclusive curriculum offer children the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment.

- ✓ **Parent information session - Thursday 23 October, 10-11am**
- ✓ Visit 1 - Friday 31 October, 9-11.30am - bring recess
- ✓ Visit 2 - Friday 7 November, 11.30am-1pm
- ✓ Visit 3 - Friday 14 November, 1pm-2.30pm - bring lunch
- ✓ Visit 4 - Friday 28 November, 1pm-2.30pm - bring lunch
- ✓ Visit 5 - Friday 5 December, 1pm-2.30pm - bring lunch

### MORE INFORMATION

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**ENROL NOW**



**SAVE THE DATE**

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

## BPS Attendance

Regular school attendance matters because it is fundamental for academic success, social development, and future opportunities. Consistent attendance ensures students don't miss out on crucial learning, builds essential social skills, and fosters a sense of belonging within the school community.



**Whole School Attendance**  
92.8%

**Students Attending Greater than 90%**  
71.7%

**Term 3 Week 5**

**Class With The Highest Attendance**

**Kindergarten, year 5 and year 6 = 100%**



**Whole School Daily Attendance Week 4**

**Monday - 86.5%**  
**Tuesday - 94.2%**  
**Wednesday - 98.1%**  
**Thursday - 94.2%**

- ✓ Above 95% Expected Attendance
- 90-95% Minimum Standard
- ✗ Below 90% Educationally at Risk

**Semester 2**



NSW Department of Education

## Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

[education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au)







# GLOUCESTER HS YEAR 6 TRANSITION EVENING 2025

## Student and Parent Information Evening

- ✓ Meet Key Members of Staff
- ✓ Tour of the School
- ✓ Discuss Important Information

**Tuesday  
September 9th**  
Gloucester High School  
BBQ and Information  
Session  
4:00-6:00 PM



For further information contact us:  
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BARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL  
PRESENTS



# Picnic in the Vines

SAT 6 SEPT

11AM - 3PM

FAULLS RIDGE WINERY, BUCKETTS WAY GLOUCESTER

### Live music by Jess Coombes.

Bring a rug, pack a picnic, enjoy the music and a silent auction.

Batter & Dough grazing boxes for 2 available to pre-purchase  
\$45 (order by September 3rd)

Fully licenced - no BYO, over 18 only.

**COST: \$40 per person. Tickets are limited.**



Scan QR code for tickets  
and grazing box orders:

For more details contact  
Erin 0447 908 661





# Barrington Public School P&C Assoc Inc

## P&C Meeting

Date: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Attendees: Erin Lute, Amy Hughes, Donna Partridge, Jenny Webb, Amy Sansom, Erica Laurie & Inez George

Apologies: Lauren McRae, Monica Youness, Tanya Denyer, Sreymeu Khem, Matt Peters, Erin Beech, Bec & Darryl Arnott, Michalie Fry

Start: 5:05pm

### BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Expect school sport shirts to arrive mid term
- P&C Feedback surveys – ongoing
- Picnic in the Vines going ahead, tickets have been released online

### Presidents Update

- P&C group chat
  - Short listed sport shirts
  - Decision made on Picnic date
  - Lauren volunteered graphics for the Picnic
  - Sponsorship letter reviewed by committee
  - Technology upgrades
  - Thank you to Michalie for Canteen
- Thank you to those that baked / brought supplies for Mother's Day
- Silent Auction items available include Wood furniture (Don Standing), Trees (Mount Mooney Trees), Round of Golf (Gloucester Golf Club), Aussie Ark Voucher

### Treasurers report

- Current Balance of \$35,423.43
- Accounts: uniforms, floral gifts, and sports shirts all recently paid for
- Staff Shirts; Direct deposits please

### Principle's report

- External Validation completed by AH & AS, followed by an online meeting. This activity is completed every 5 years as a self-assessment. Prior to the meeting, self-assessed as sustaining and growing. Post meeting this was "upgraded" to excelling in most areas
- Term 3 is shaping up to be busy; ICAS, Book Fair & Grandparents Day, Education Week, Reptile show, Healthy Harold, Tennis Gala Day, Netball, Spelling Bee & RYSTEM
- Capital works are concluded

- Shade Sail and Slippery Dip to be installed soon
- Father's Day Breakfast coming up
- Excursions.
  - Local - Dairy operations & Mine Tour
  - School Sleepover
  - K-2; Billabong Zoo
  - 2026; Coffs booked for Term 2, week 1– *\*\* AI – IG to provide info on 2 other potential sites \*\**
  - 2027; Canberra, awaiting booking confirmation
- Tennis court cleaned and again safe
- Term 3 CAPA – Dance program well received
- Breakfast club continues to be a success, most student participate
- End of term presentation day; September 26<sup>th</sup>
- End of Year; Presentation Night at Barrington Hall December 11<sup>th</sup>, Final day of school December 19<sup>th</sup>. Staff Development Day (Term 4, Week 1), there are no Staff Development Days at the end of Term 4
- Looking to purchase new teardrop flags and banners for sports carnivals

### Fundraising

- Disco date suggested; Term 3, week 8, September 12<sup>th</sup>, or Term 4, week 2 October 24<sup>th</sup>
- 2026 Shopping trip to Sydney, 48 seat bus @\$48 / person, IKEA, DFO. September / October or end Fin Yr
- Hunter Winery trip also suggested
- Decided to skip Lego Day this year

### Grants

- Erin submitted MCC Water Wise application, results will be released in October

### Canteen report

- Always on the lookout to receive Helpers for Canteen

### Uniform Update

- Received some larger Polo shirts recently, with more order
- Lowes stock girls short that are longer than Skorts. If these are popular, will order
- Will be doing another order for items that take some time to sell such as the Peter Pan shirts

### General Business

- Erin suggested a Christmas stall in the las few weeks of school; students buy, create wrapping & card etc. This was enthusiastically received
- Grandparents Day morning tea; starts at 9:30, expect to end at 11:30

Meeting closed at 6:15pm ~ ~ ~ Next meeting; Wednesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> (Term 4, Week 2) ~ ~ ~