CATTAI PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Principal Report

Phonics Tutors and Tutees

Cattai are setting up and exciting new initiative starting first day back next term. We have put to call out to our C3 students to see how many would like to be phonics tutors to our younger students and we had an over whelming response. Many of the parents of the both the Tutors and the Tutees have already heard about it but just in the spirit of sharing with the wider community. Here is some information about our Phonics Tutors program.

- 1.It will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 8:00am to 8:15am before school during morning play time. In the school library starting in Term 2.
- 2.A C3 student (tutor) will be paired up with a C1/C2 student (tutee) for approximately 5 weeks. Then rotate to a different tutee.
- 3. The tutor will support their tutee by helping them through a range of phonics activities, similar to what they would do in class.
- 4.All tutors will receive a Phonics Tutor Badge that will be presented at our first Term 2 parent assembly.
- 5. All tutors and tutees will need to make sure they are here in attendance at 8am for the start. If they miss more than 3 sessions their place in the program may be offered to another student. Obviously, if the tutor or tutee is away that day it wouldn't count towards one of their 3 sessions missed.
- 6. Phonics Tutors will need to complete an EOI stating why they would make a great phonics tutor. Due to Mr Hawkes by the Friday 4th April.
- 7. When a tutee moves up a phonics level their tutor (with staff supervision) will make a phone call home to the tutee's parents as a way of celebrating the success.
- 8. For every level the tutee goes up in their reading both the tutor and the tutee will receive a Cattai worth 5 Dojos.
- 9. Parents will need to sign the permission section of this note on the next page stating that they are able to get their child into school for the programs start time of 8am on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays.

I'm so proud to see such selflessness from our older students. What a great leadership opportunity for our older students and a great learning opportunity for our younger students.

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Principal Report Continued

P&C AGM

A big thank you to all the parents who put their hand up to help with some of our P&C roles in 2025 or even just came along to the meeting to have their say. We are very grateful for the things our P&C does to support the school and it wouldn't happen without our community giving up their time in this way. A list of our new committee is further down in the newsletter.

School Cross Country

1st, 2nd and 3rd ribbons were presented to students at our Parent Assembly last week. Well done to all those students who placed in the top 6 for their age category and made it through to Zone Cross Country. Weather permitting Zone will be held on Friday May 23, Term 2 Week 4. A big Thank you to Mrs Jones for organising the day.

Data Sheets

This terms Data Sheets went home this week. There have been a number of changes as outlined on the reverse side of the Data Sheet. All these changes I believe will be positive in the long run. Rather than go into detail here about all these changes I just wanted to take a moment to encourage parents if there is something in the data they are unsure of, then reach out to the school. At their essence they are only numbers and used as a quick pulse check to see how your child is progressing. Behind each of these numbers is a story and we are more than happy to unpack this story with you if required.

ANZAC Day Service at Wisemans Ferry

This year students will again be marching at Wisemans Ferry on ANZAC Day. If you are yet to book in your ANZAC Day service I encourage you to join us. On the day students muster at the car park and march down the hill as part of the parade all the way to the War Memorial. Shortly after there will be a service to honour those who have lost their lives or fought for their country. Cattai PS leaders will play a role in the service as well. Lest we forget.

Holiday Construction

As many may have noticed there have been a few projects starting at school this week. Within the department each school is put on a timetable of regular maintenance and upgrades. It just so happened that the time to replace and repair the roofing coincided with the resurfacing of the Basket-Ball court. Work on the court was meant to start during the holidays but they were able to move it forward, hopefully we will have a nice new court to begin Term 2 with.

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SPOTLIGHT ON CAPA







This term in CAPA the students have been learning all about portraits in Visual Arts and the elements of performance in Drama.

The students were given the opportunity to draw a variety of artworks reflecting themselves, their family and animals focusing on detail and creativity. The students focused on learning how to draw eyes, noses and mouths in detail. The students also learnt about abstract art. They were able to depict their inner portrait of thoughts, likes, dislikes and creativity by drawing pictures with different details.

In Drama the students always enjoy performing in front of their peers. We learnt about mime, vocals, body language and props to enhance performance. The students created their own mini performances and wrote scripts inspired by single words or themes.













REMINDERS

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

14th-30th April:

School Holidays

7th May:

Cupcake Day

30th May:

Hot Lunch @12:45

P&C Meeting @1:00pm

Parent Assembly @1:30pm

4th June:

Cupcake Day

10th June:

School Photos

20th June:

Trivia Night 5pm





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P&C



Cattai Public School P&C are seeking donations for their upcoming trivia night. They will be compiling different types of hampers as gifts. the following are some ideas for each class.

C1 "Pamper Hamper"

Body Lotions, Face Masks, Bath Bombs, Candles, Hand Creams, Body Butter. Anything relaxing for a Pamper Session.

C2 "Movie Night"

Snacks, Popcorn, Lollies, Streaming service vouchers. Think Friday night movie night with the family.

C3 "Green Thumb"

Seeds, Flower Pots, Gardening Tools, Garden Decorations, Succulents. Picture anything you need for a Sunday in the garden.

These are ideas and any donations will be accepted. Please take donations to the School Office. For any further adivce or questions about the Trivia Night please contact the P&C facebook page.

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CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wedneday	Thursday	Friday
WK1 SDD	SDD	30	1	2
WK 2 5 Mothers Day Gift	6	7	8	9
WK 3 12	13	14	15	16
WK 4 19	20	21	22	23 Zone X-Country
WK 5 26	27	28	29	C1 Parent Assembly P&C Meeting
WK 6	3	4	5	6
WK 7 KINGS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND	10 Photo Day	11	12	13 Term 2 Excursion
WK 8 16	17	18	19	20 P&C Trivia Night
WK 9 23	24	25 Writing Assessment	26	C3 Parent Assembly P&C Meeting
WK 10 30	1	2 Athletics Carnival	3	4

Students return 22nd July

AROUND SCHOOL

