



— Week 2 Term 3 2025 —

Currabubula PS

Fortnightly Newsletter



Bective Athletics Carnival



On Thursday 24th July, our students participated in the Bective Small Schools' Athletics Carnival, held at the Athletic Grounds in Tamworth.

Thank you to all the Bective Schools for a wonderful day of competition and camaraderie. A special thank you to parents and staff who ran track and field events, volunteered to time keep and encouraged our Currabubula athletes.

We finished in 2nd place overall - with a number of students achieving age championships and ribbons galore! We are so proud of each and every one of our students. Their participation was outstanding and as always, they represented our school values with pride and determination. Please see inside for further details.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parent Teacher Interviews
Monday 4th - Thursday 7th
August

Blackville Spelling Bee
Tuesday 5th August

School Cricket Smash!
Thursday 7th August

Zone Athletics
Friday 15th August

Book Week Parade,
Grandparents Day, Book Fair
Thursday 21st August



Term 3 2025



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
week 3	4 Parent Teacher Interview Week Debate	5 Blackville Spelling Bee	6	7 School Cricket Smash!	8
week 4	11 Premier's Spelling Bee	12	13	14 Debate	15 Zone Athletics
week 5	18 Book Week	19	20	21 Grandparents Day, Book Week Parade, Book Fair Open Classrooms	22 Book Fair
week 6	25	26	27	28	29 2026 Kindy Come & Try Day 9.30 - 11.30

Principal's Message

with Mr Stephens

Welcome back

We hope students and families enjoyed a wonderful July school holiday period. Term 3 is a busy time and you'll find our upcoming events in the term calendar included with this newsletter.

Staff development day – High Potential and Gifted Education (HPGE)

On our first Monday back, staff continued developing our HPGE policy as it applies to our school. Every student shows areas of high potential and our emphasis is on fostering these talents while building their character through our school values. At Currabubula Public School we offer many extracurricular enrichment and extension opportunities to nurture independent successful learners, from curriculum provision to sport, music, arts and science. Mr Stephens will continue leading this work throughout the semester as we expand and highlight some of the great opportunities our school provides.

School happenings

Term 3 has kicked off with several exciting events:

- **Bective Athletics Carnival** – Last Thursday students competed in the Bective Small Schools carnival. Congratulations to all participants whether age champions, place getters or those having a go. We're proud of each of you. Notes will be sent shortly to students who have qualified for the Tamworth Zone Carnival on Friday 15 August.
- **Excursions** – Our K-2 students travelled to Tamworth last week to see *Josephine Wants to Dance* and Years 3-6 visited Quirindi High School to watch their musical *Peter/ Wendy*. These experiences enrich our students culturally. Thank you to the P and C for subsidising the bus costs.
- **Quirindi High School Taster Day** – Four Year 5/6 students attended a taster day at Quirindi High School, helping them prepare for their transition to high school. Thanks to Quirindi High for offering this opportunity.

Parent Teacher interviews

In **Week 3** we will hold Parent Teacher Student interviews. These meetings build on goals set during *Tea with the Teacher* sessions, giving staff and students a chance to share progress. Each interview will be **15 minutes**, providing a snapshot of your child's learning so far. If you'd like to discuss other matters, please book a separate appointment and briefly outline your topics in advance. If you have not yet booked your time, please make a booking online via HERO.

Enrolments

We are currently accepting enrolments in all year levels. Our little school continues to grow and we encourage prospective families to contact our front office. Knowing enrolment numbers helps with planning for next year. For Kindergarten 2026 we will host a *Come and Try* morning on Friday 29 August, followed by an *Information Afternoon* on Tuesday 2 September. Please spread the word—we'd love to welcome more families into our school community.

Student absences and illness

Winter often brings a higher rate of student illness. We understand the importance of good health and encourage parents to keep unwell children at home. At school we promote sound hygiene practices. Although we value consistent attendance, your child's health is a priority. Thank you for your support.



Kindy
celebrating 100
Days of School!



3-6 enjoying
their bus ride!

News from K-2

with Mrs Bonner



Our Kindy's first 4 sounds (phonemes) for Term 3 have been h, b, f & l. We've tied these into our text studies and had the chance to make some fun craft to kick off another fab term of learning!



What a busy fortnight! I was so proud of the effort, enthusiasm and skill K-2 showed at our Athletics Carnival- I'd also like to commend them on their patience during a long and busy day!



We finished our first week back by going on our Term 3 excursion to see 'Josephine Wants to Dance', presented by the Monkey Baa Theatre Company at Tamworth's Capitol Theatre. It was another excellent production with eye-catching choreography, brilliant costuming and a faithful depiction of a story we know and love. We took the opportunity to study the text in detail over Tuesday and Wednesday, completing a ballerina craftivity, writing information reports on Australian animals from the book and retelling aspects of the narrative. After the show, we walked down to the park for a play, picnic lunch and a delicious hot chocolate!

Don't miss checking out our 100 days celebration photos later in this edition of the Newsletter. Wow! What a good looking bunch of 'oldies' we are in K-2!

Our excursion day happened to align with our first 100 days of school in 2025. This is a big milestone for our Kindys and one all of K-2 enjoy celebrating. In the afternoon, we worked on 100 days crowns. Each crown had to have 100 dots added. We explored ways to count efficiently to 100- settling on counting by 2s to reach 10 and then counting 10 strips of 10 dots each. Year 1 and 2 were the dot 'counters and cutters' and were excellent helpers, ensuring each student finished the day with a beautiful and accurately counted crown!

Around our classrooms: 3-6

All 3-6 students have made an enthusiastic start to what will be another busy term. We have two Spelling competitions and two debates in the coming two weeks.

Best of luck to all our students who are representing our school at the Blackville Small Schools' Spelling Bee. This is an event that is very close to my heart as I actually instigated the Spelling Bee way back when I was the principal at Blackville. I am sure everyone who attends will have a great day.

Having won their respective sections of our class spelling rounds last term, Londyn Chalmers and Logan Stocks will be competing in the Premiers' Spelling Bee on Monday, 11th August. This is an on-line competition.

On Monday, 4th August, Woolomin Public School students and staff will be visiting Currabubula for our third debate. Our team for this debate is Christopher Bradberry, Londyn Chalmers, Ryan Corr and Kallum Germon. Our team will be presenting the affirmative case for, "The school week should be four days and not five." We are very grateful to Mr Rob Lewis who has kindly offered to adjudicate for us.

On Thursday, 14th August, our final prepared debate will be an online debate against Dungowan Public School. Our team will be Kallum Germon, Amelia Smith, Logan Stocks and Londyn Chalmers. They will present the negative case against "The school week should be four days and not five."

Our English text for this term is Wonder by RJ Palacio. Students are learning to identify techniques and language features authors use to develop characterisation. 3-6 are thoroughly enjoying this text which manages to take a light- hearted and often humorous approach to a serious theme.

In Mathematics we have concluded our unit on Measurement and started a new unit, "The number system extends infinitely to very large and very small numbers."



CARE & Reading Award Winners

More Amazing CARE Award winners!

Well done to all our award winners! Our next reward days will be held in Week 4 and Week 9 of this term!



\$25/\$250
a lolly lucky dip

\$50/\$500
a pub lunch order

\$75/\$750
a hot chip picnic

\$100/\$1000
an ice cream of your choice
and a badge



Don't forget to keep recording your nightly reading! **Each 50 nights of reading earns students a \$10 book voucher** that can be used on Scholastic Book Club orders or at our yearly Book Fair

Josephine Wants to Dance!



Enjoying a beautiful winter's day in Tamworth! Another brilliant stage show from Monkey Baa!



Athletics Award Winners



Peter/Wendy



3-6 enjoyed an excursion with Mrs Boland to see QHS's production of Peter/Wendy!

K-2 Celebrate 100 Days of Kindy



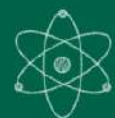
Our traditional
100 days activity!
Photos of us at
100 years of age!

HAPPY
100TH
DAY
OF
SCHOOL



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Currabubula
Public School



KINDY COME 'N' TRY

Joining us for Kindy in 2026?
You don't want to miss this fun-
packed morning of friendship
and learning!

- ✓ **Friday 29th August**
- ✓ **With Mrs Bonner and K-2 in the Junior Class**
- ✓ **9.30–11.30am**
- ✓ **Bring a hat, water bottle and a fruit/veg snack**
- ✓ **Current preschoolers will be collected from and returned to Ooranga**



Upcoming Dates

- **2026 Kindergarten Parent Information Evening:** Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- **Kindergarten Transition:** Friday 31st October, 7th November, 14th November, 21st November (ALL 9.30–11.30), 28th November (9.30–3pm)



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GREAT, LITTLE BUSH SCHOOL
TODAY!**