



— Week 8 Term 3 2025 —

# Currabubula PS

Fortnightly Newsletter



## \*New\* Shaded Play and Learning!

We are so excited that the P&C's hard work obtaining a grant for shaded spaces in our playground has come to fruition! The huge new structure over our big playground has arrived just in time for warmer and sunnier



Spring weather. It's also a great asset to have the second shaded space near our front gates. We hope to work together to create an outdoor learning space in this zone. We are very appreciative of this fabulous infrastructure and know that every Curra student will benefit from it.



Congratulations to our four student representatives who competed last week at NW Regional Athletics in Tamworth. Well done Ryan, Londyn, Charlie and Marcus!

## NW Regional Athletes

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Curra Sports Day  
Friday 12th September

Yr 3-6 Netball Gala Day  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

School Assembly  
3pm  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

Cooee Day  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Community Movie Night  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Last Day of Term  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

| Term 3 2025 |     |     |                 |                                  |                        |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
|             | Mon | Tue | Wed             | Thu                              | Fri                    |
| week 9      | 15  | 16  | 17              | 18<br>Yr 3-6 Netball<br>Gala Day | 19<br>Assembly<br>(PM) |
| week 10     | 22  | 23  | 24<br>Cooee Day | 25<br>Community<br>Movie Night   | 26<br>Last Day of Term |

**Last day of Term 3**  
**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Students return for Term 4**  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October**

# Principal's Message

*with Mr Stephens*

## **Welcome**

This fortnight we welcome a new student, Frankie, to our school community. She has been a wonderful addition to our K-2 classroom.

## **Shade Shelters Installed**

Over the past week, contractors have installed our long awaited shade structures, with one covering our existing playground equipment and a second located in front of the school.

This will provide us with additional all weather spaces for our students, and broader community to access. We thank our P&C for all their efforts in applying and maintaining a grant to ensure funding was secured for this project.

## **Before and After School Care – Donations and Sponsorship Support**

In collaboration with our Parents and Citizens Association, we are working to raise funds for the establishment of a Before and After School Care service at our school. This important initiative is designed to enhance the long-term sustainability of our school by providing flexible care options that support both current and future families.

We're calling on our wider community to support this project through donations or sponsorships. More information will be shared through our school's regular communication channels and social media platforms.

Currabubula is known for its strong community spirit, and we are committed to keeping our school accessible and supportive for all families in our catchment area.

If you'd like to learn more or are interested in contributing, please get in touch with Mr. Stephens at: [mark.stephens8@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mark.stephens8@det.nsw.edu.au)

## **Enrolments**

We are currently accepting enrolments across all year levels. Our small but growing school is excited to welcome new families, and we encourage anyone considering Currabubula Public School to contact our front office for more information. Early enrolment helps us plan effectively for the year ahead.

Just a couple of Fridays ago, we had the pleasure of welcoming our incoming Kindergarten students for 2026. Their visit was warmly supported by Mrs Bonner and our K-2 class, making it a memorable experience for everyone involved. We look forward to holding our transition program next term.

Please help us spread the word – we'd love to welcome more families into our supportive and vibrant school community.



# News from K-2

with Mrs Bonner

Our History unit continues to engage students- this week we learned about 'Midnight'- local legend and famous Lighthouse. During our weekly visual arts lesson, we paid homage to this heroic mare.

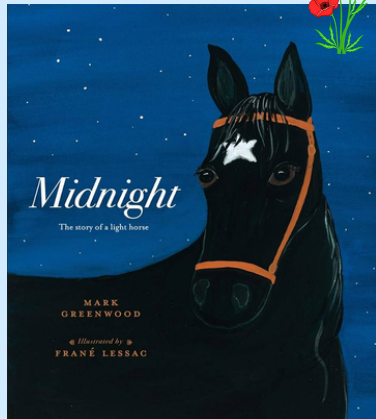


We've been busy in Maths exploring position and discussing positional language, maps and patterns.

We're now in our final English unit for the term, reflecting on character, learning more about sentence structure and admiring the broad ranging talent of author/ illustrator Aaron Blabey. Our text, 'Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley' focuses on friendship and how our differences can be so valuable to building meaningful and lasting relationships.

All of K-6 have been looking at a Musical Genre in Creative Arts this term- Country Music! We've had the chance to sing, play recorder, immerse ourselves in the bright personalities of both American and Australian Country- such as Dolly Parton, John Denver, Slim Dusty, Lee Kernaghan and Brooks and Dunn. Over the past weeks we have been learning both line dancing (boot scootin') and bush dancing. 3-6 are continuing on to choreograph their own group pieces while researching their chosen artist and song, while K-2 are working on performing a line dancing number to 'Miles on it' by Kane Brown.

In History we are working towards our end of unit task- writing a letter about a precious personal artefact to our future selves. Please take the time to check over this task on HERO as students do need to have identified their chosen artefact prior to our lesson on Monday. Thanks for your support.



Last week we welcomed a new student to our class! We are so excited to have you join us, Frankie!





# News from 3-6

with Mrs Boland



## Spelling

Spelling has continued in the usual routine while Mrs Maxwell has been absent. In the last week the class has been discussing homophones, words which are pronounced the same, but have different meanings and can be spelt differently, e.g. daze / days. Seniors have continued to complete activities each week, such as spelling points, making sentences with their words and spelling grid.

## Science with Mr Stephens

Seniors have been learning about the Material World, with a focus on properties of different materials and how they can be used for packaging.

By conducting fair tests we have been able to measure the effectiveness of their packaging designs. Each of their packages has needed to support and protect fragile objects.



Etel Adnan

## Visual Arts

Given that students are learning about different places and studying Indonesia, Seniors have completed two works related to these topics. Take a look at their amazing batik designs, based on this artform that originated from Indonesia.

We appreciated Etel Adnan's landscape works, and have just started to create a 3 line only abstract artwork. Enjoy the pictures provided of some of their initial planning for this work.



## Geography

We have been learning that Places are similar and different, by seeking to answer the following questions:

1. How and why are places similar and different?
2. What would it be like to live in a neighbouring country?

The neighbouring country we recently started "planning a trip to" is Indonesia. It has many different natural and man-made features from Australia.





# CARE & Reading Award Winners

**More Amazing CARE Award winners!**

Well done to all our award winners! Due to the Netball Gala Day, our next reward day will be held **THURSDAY, 25th September (Week 10)**

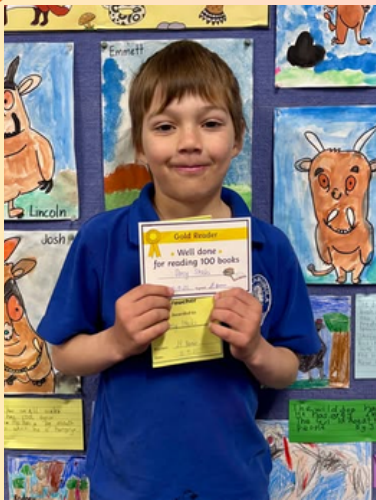
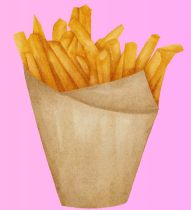


**\$25/\$250**  
a lolly lucky dip

**\$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!**



Our Community Library is already proving to be very popular! It's been great to see both students and community members enjoying this new resource.

We are really looking forward to our **Kindergarten Transition Program.**

This begins in Week 3 of Term 4 and runs for 5 sessions. Year 2 will be transitioning to the 3-6 classroom too during these times.

## Kindergarten Transition 2026 Dates

- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October (9.30-11.30am)
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November (9.30-11.30am)
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November (9.30-11.30am)
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November (9.30-11.30am)
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November (9.30am - 3pm)

- ✓ Bring a hat, drink bottle and a fruit/vege snack to each session
- ✓ On the last full day, please also pack lunch & afternoon tea

Students who attend Curra Pre School will be escorted to and from all sessions by school staff.





# MOVIE NIGHT

★ UNDER THE STARS ★

★ CURRABUBULA PUBLIC SCHOOL ★

SEP  
25

THURSDAY  
6:30PM

CONTACT US:

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FREE ENTRY!

BBQ &  
SNACKS  
AVAILABLE  
FOR  
PURCHASE

Use the QR Code to RSVP or contact us directly



# I AM A GIRL

*Come 'N' Try*



## GAME-BASED LEARNING

I AM A GIRL - COME 'N' TRY!

**COST:** FREE

**AGES:** ALL GIRLS AGED 5-10 YRS

**DATE:** THURS 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2025

**TIME:** 9.30AM - 11.30AM

**WHERE:** TAMWORTH SPORTS DOME  
7/9 Jack Smyth Dr, Hillvue

**SIGN UP NOW**

[BNSW.COM.AU/EVENTS/](https://BNSW.COM.AU/EVENTS/)



### Farrer Experience Day 2025

Year 5 students interested in Farrer for Year 7 2027 are invited to join us for our Experience Day.  
Friday 26th September 2025 from 8:30am to 2:30pm  
REGISTER your son today: [www.farrer.nsw.edu.au](http://www.farrer.nsw.edu.au)

## PICKLEBALL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS KIDS CAMP

**AGES**  
8-10YRS (430PM)  
11+YRS (530PM)

@THE PICKLE PIT  
\$10 PER HEAD PER DAY  
LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

**29&30 SEPTEMBER**

Keep your kids active these school holidays with coached pickleball camps.



Registration

PIVOT SPORTS APP - THE PICKLE PIT



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

**\$125**  
FOR 4 DAYS

**WHEN:**  
29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER - 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER  
8:30AM - 11:30AM

**AGES:**  
4-14 YEARS

**TAMWORTH**  
WEST TAMWORTH TENNIS COURT

**CONTACT US**  
0434 211 461  
MITCH.POWER87@GMAIL.COM

**SIGN UP:**  
[PERFORMWITHPOWERTENNIS.COM.AU](http://PERFORMWITHPOWERTENNIS.COM.AU)

Tennis Clinics are the best way for kids to keep active, make friends and try tennis these school holidays.  
ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

or pay \$40 per morning





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Dear parents and carers

I am writing to you to inform you of our emergency management arrangements for the upcoming bushfire danger period.

Our school is in a bushfire prone area and is identified as Category 2 on the NSW Department of Education's bushfire risk register.

This means our school will be non-operational when the NSW Rural Fire Service declares catastrophic fire danger ratings for the Northern Slopes or as directed by the NSW Department of Education in consultation with emergency services due to local bushfire activity or in higher risk conditions.

Fire danger ratings do not mean there will be a bushfire, but rather the weather conditions pose a high risk if a fire were to start in the area. The measure is proactive to ensure staff, students and the community remain safe.

We will inform the school community after 4 pm if there is a change to the operational status of the school for the following day. To assist us contacting all families in an emergency, please ensure you have updated your contact details with the school. Up-to-date information is also available on our school website or School operational status.

We also recommend you stay up to date with bushfire and grassfire activity by using the Hazards Near Me app [External link](#) (set a watch zone for your school area) and by monitoring local media.

To continue to support student learning on these days, our school will provide information for learning from home.

We recommend all our families follow the NSW Rural Fire Service advice and ensure your family knows what to do if there is a fire. Develop a fire plan and discuss it with your family using [MyFirePlan](#) [External link](#).

Please call our school on 0267 689 010 if you would like more information or have any questions.

Kind regards  
Mark Stephens



# Bushfire danger period information for parents and carers

## Fact sheet

This fact sheet provides information for parents and carers about arrangements for the danger period.

The NSW Department of Education has engaged external experts to conduct assessments of all NSW government schools, to identify schools at greater risk of impact from bushfires.

To support the health, safety and wellbeing of students and staff, the department, in consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS), will direct the school to temporarily cease operations on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating has been declared for your school's NSW fire area. Alternative learning arrangements will be put in place for these days.

Schools may be made non-operational due to changing risk conditions and the relevant advice from emergency services.



### What is a Fire Danger Rating?

Fire Danger Ratings describe the potential level of danger should a fire start. The ratings are determined by a combination of factors including air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and drought.

For further information on the Australian Fire Danger Rating System.

### Fire Danger Rating sign





## When will I know if my child's school has been made non-operational?

A Fire Danger Rating is issued for the following day. This means that schools, including onsite preschools, will be notified after school hours that it will be non-operational the following day. Your school will notify you as soon as possible by the preferred method of communication.

### Parents and carers are requested to:

- provide up-to-date home and after-hours contact details to your school
- stay up-to-date with news and local media through the bushfire danger period.



## NSW Education Parent App

Get the free NSW Education Parent App to receive operational status updates for NSW public schools.



## What education arrangements will be in place if the school is non-operational?

When non-operational, your school will advise of alternative learning arrangements, including any relocation or learning from home plans.



## Learn more

Be prepared and ensure you have a bushfire survival plan in place. The NSW RFS has resources for all residents to plan and prepare for the bushfire season.

Consider whether your home is safe from bushfires and grassfires, and be prepared to relocate to a safer place well in advance. Find more information and resources from the NSW RFS.

We appreciate your cooperation during the bushfire season. For further information about Fire Danger Ratings and the bushfire danger period, please refer to 'NSW Rural Fire Service'

The department's 'School operational status' webpage provides up to date information during bushfires and grassfire emergencies.

Please contact your school with any additional questions.