

Principal Message



Student Success

Congratulations to Toby Sturrock, who placed 6th at the Zone Cross Country and will now progress to the Regional Carnival in Coolah. Lachlan Campbell also gave a commendable performance on the day, finishing 7th and just missing out on progressing to the Regional level.

I would like to acknowledge Eleanor Campbell, who received an Encouragement Award from the Currabubula Small Schools Art Show, a wonderful recognition of her creativity and artistic talent.

Reconciliation Week

Last week our students took time to reflect on how each of us can play a role in achieving reconciliation in Australia. We participated in activities based on this year's theme, 'Bridging Now to Next', and created a display for our front school gate, inspired by the leaf design by Bree Buttenshaw. Students contributed their own creative leaves, forming a bridge of shared voices and perspectives.

Collaborative Support Unique Settings (CSUS)

This year our school is participating in CSUS, a targeted school improvement initiative designed to assist small and unique schools to strengthen evidence-informed practices that support student learning. After reviewing school data with a team of specialists, we have decided to focus on teaching vocabulary more explicitly. This means teachers will spend more time helping students understand and use important words across all Key Learning Areas.

Assessment

This week we have been conducting English and Mathematics assessments using the Essential Assessment platform. These assessments help us understand each student's progress and identify their next steps in learning. Throughout the year, we use both formative and summative assessment to guide teaching and learning. Formative assessment includes asking questions and conferencing with students to monitor their understanding. Summative assessment refers to more formal tasks at the end of a unit that show what students have learned. Using both formative and summative assessment helps us tailor our teaching to support each student's growth. Our approach ensures that students are supported and extended based on their individual needs. If you have any questions regarding your child's progress, please feel free to contact the school.

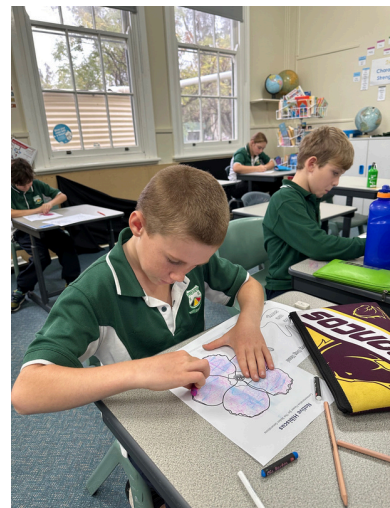
Respectfully,

Mrs Roxanne Harris

CLASSROOM NEWS

It's lovely to witness the genuine engagement students bring to their tasks at Premer Public School! This fortnight, students have been learning about significant events such as Sorry Day and the 1967 Referendum, developing a deeper understanding of Australia's history. In Mathematics our 3-6 students are becoming proficient at converting measurements from millimetres to centimetres and our K-2 students are combining groups of objects to model addition. In English, we continue to enjoy listening to the stories in *Just Tricking* and discuss the characters' motives. Students are thoroughly enjoying reading poetry aloud, with some fantastic expression! In Drama, students are participating in a range of activities that focus on improvisation and teamwork, helping to build their communication and collaboration skills.

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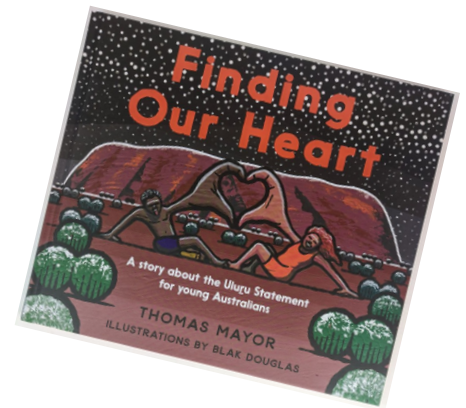
Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to Lachie and Toby on their impressive efforts at the Zone Cross Country at the Quirindi Racecourse.



RECONCILIATION WEEK

Students listened attentively to the stories *Finding Our Heart* and *Sorry Day*, which helped deepen their understanding of the importance of Reconciliation Week. These activities encouraged reflection on the journey towards reconciliation.



CURRABUBULA SMALL SCHOOLS ART SHOW

Our talented students recently showcased their creativity at the Currabubula Small Schools Art Show, held in conjunction with the Red Cross Art Show alongside 16 other schools. A special mention to Eleanor Campbell for receiving an Encouragement Award. Well done to all our young artists!



CONGRATULATIONS TO FORTNIGHTLY AWARD RECIPIENTS



Hayley Matthews and Alexandra Rankin have shown persistence and dedication to their learning - Well done!

UNIFORM REMINDER

With the weather getting colder, students are encouraged to wear their school jumper and/or jacket every day to stay warm. Thanks to the generous donation of full winter uniforms from the P&C, families have access to the appropriate clothing. We kindly remind students to wear the correct uniform, including warm jumpers and jackets, all clearly labelled with their names. Wearing the full school uniform helps students feel included in our school community and promotes a positive image both within and outside of the school. Thank you for supporting our school's commitment to a shared identity and positive presentation.



Term 2 Diary Dates:

Week 7

- June 9 - King's Birthday
- June 12 - North West Cross Country, Drama Workshop

Week 8

- June 16 - P&C Meeting
- June 19 - Koalas & Others Project on Teams

Week 9

- June 27 - Small Schools Athletics Carnival

Week 10

- June 30 - NAIDOC Cup @ Walhallow PS
- July 2-3 Drama Workshops
- July 4 - PPS NAIDOC Celebration 10am



Crunch your way to a healthy day

Crunch & Sip is a great time to encourage vegetables first! Kids who eat veggies early in the day are more likely to meet their daily nutrition needs.

Try these fun ideas:

- 1. Veggie 'rainbow sticks' — a mix of carrot, capsicum, and celery for a colourful and crunchy snack!
- 2. Carrot and celery sticks for a super crunch
- 3. Alternate between a new veggie or fruit each week and make it an adventure!

Remember to crunch on veggies and sip on water to stay healthy and strong every day!



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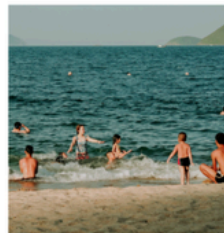


Screen-free fun

In a world full of screens, it's important to make time for real-life play! Swapping screen time for active, creative, or social activities helps kids develop problem-solving skills, build friendships, and improve their well-being.

Here are some screen-free ideas to try:

- 1. Make a splash — Go for a swim at the pool or beach with family.
- 2. Play together — Engage in activities that you know your child enjoys, for example: puzzles, building LEGO or cooking together are great for family fun.
- 3. Get moving as a family — Dance, kick a ball in the backyard or go for a bike ride together.



Encouraging kids to enjoy screen-free activities helps them develop lifelong healthy habits. Plus, it's a great way to connect as a family!



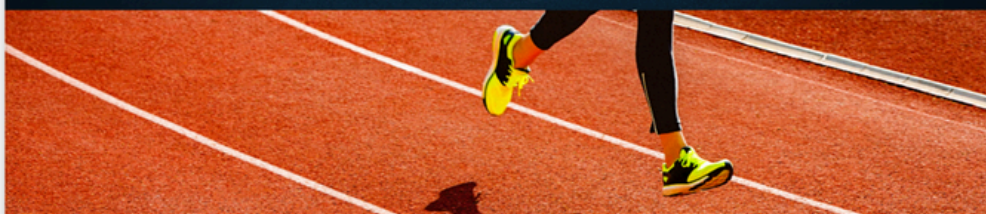
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