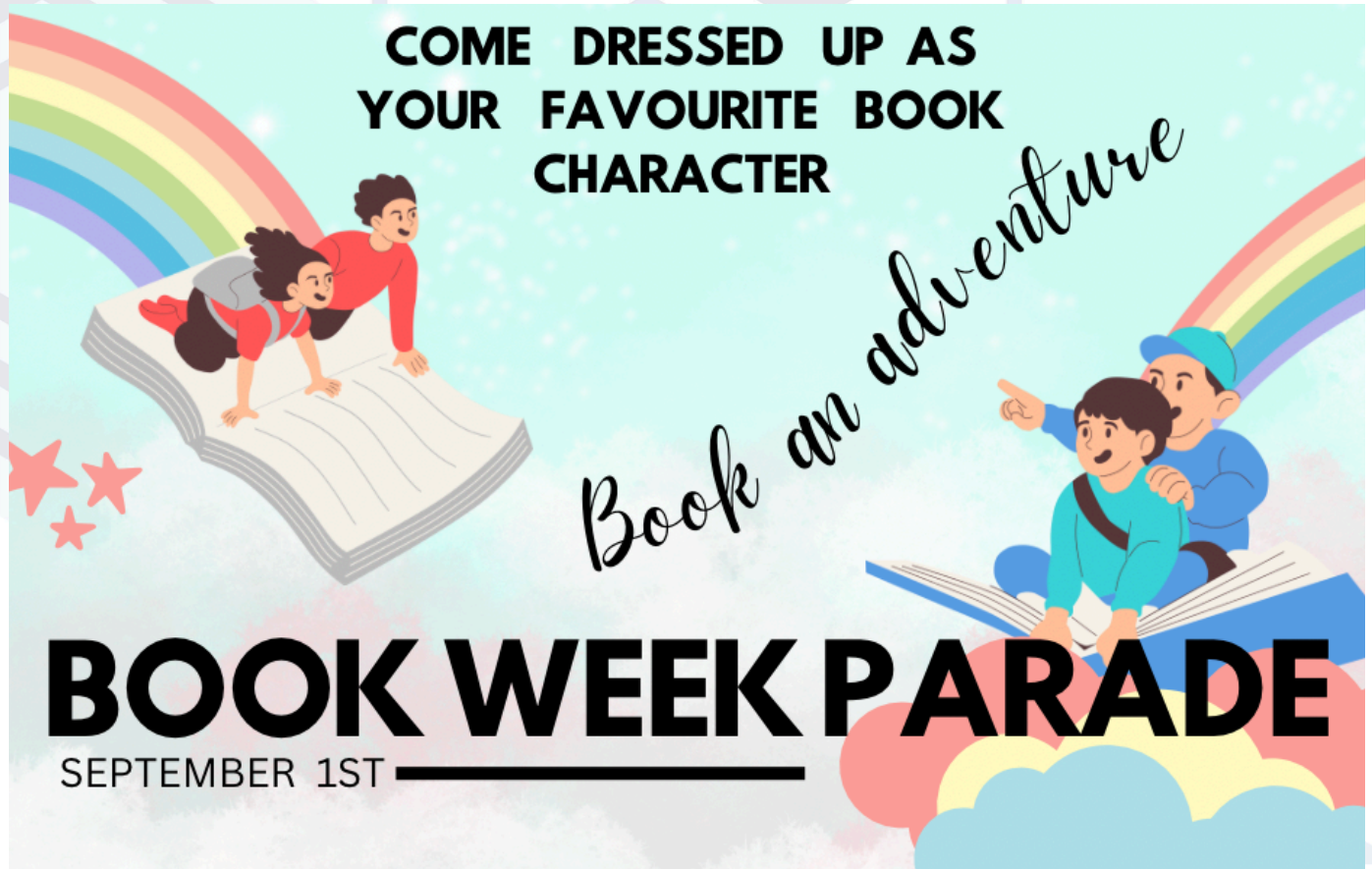




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UNLOCKING THE BRILLIANCE IN EACH OF US



DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER

- 1 | Book Parade
- 3 | Fathers Day Stall
- 5 | Fathers Day Breakfast
- 9 | Zone Athletics Carnival
- 10 | Life Ready - Year 6
- 11 | Oakvale Farm KJ & K/1S
- 16 | Stage 3 Camp Toukley
- 24 | 2026 Kinder info night



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

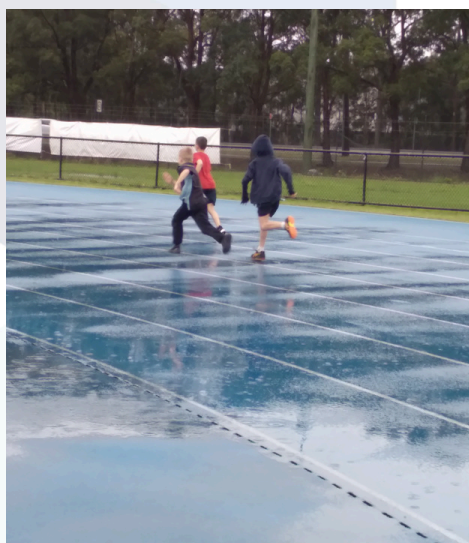
Despite the persistent rain, our Athletics Carnival went ahead in true competitive spirit – albeit with competitors only! A huge well done to all the students, parents, high school helpers, and staff who braved the wild, wet conditions to make the day a success.

We managed to complete most track events and the long jump on the day. Back at school, students have since been finishing off the remaining field events, including high jump, discus, and shot put.

Congratulations to the top two students in each event who have qualified for the Wallarah Zone Carnival, which will take place on Tuesday 9th September at Mingara Regional Athletics Track. Those selected will receive an email via School Bytes with further details. Please note, high jump and the 1500m have qualifying heights and times.

Congratulations to Rylie L who broke the record in the 12 years boys 100m sprint in a blistering 13.44s!!

Thank you to everyone who helped make the carnival possible! Results to be published in next newsletter.



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - CONTINUED



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GIRIBIL CLASS NEWS

Term 3 has been filled with many exciting things to celebrate for Giribil!

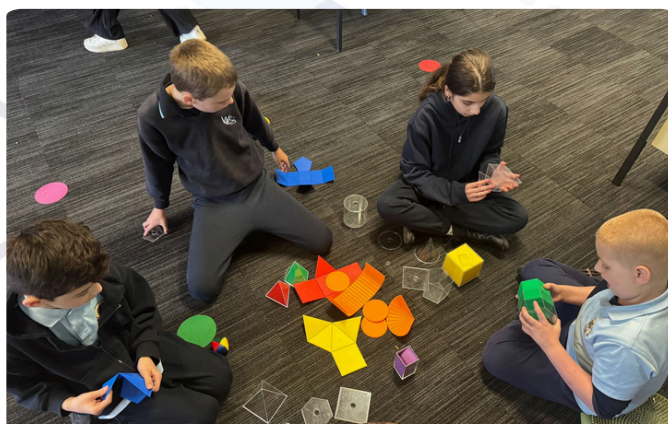
Leo proudly represented our school at a Tenpin Bowling Tournament, learning new skills and displaying great sportsmanship. Lilliana entered the National Science Week Short Story Competition and I am thrilled to share that her story was selected as the winning entry from all Primary students. What an amazing achievement! Aggy's highlight has been performing at our Support Unit Assembly with a beautiful song that the audience loved.

Our class has enjoyed exploring the outdoors, with community access excursions to Crackneck Lookout and to Woy Woy to catch the ferry. Students enjoyed being out and about looking for animals like whales and dolphins in the ocean and experiencing different modes of transport!

In Mathematics, Giribil has been making real-world connections with their learning. Students enjoyed going on a 3D shape hunt around the environment, spotting cylinders, spheres, and cubes in everyday objects. They put their money skills into action at the supermarket, turning Maths into a hands-on and engaging experience.

A highlight of our learning this term has been exploring our amazing bodies. We looked at the body from the inside out, discovering different systems and what helps keep both our body and mind healthy. Students especially enjoyed working with models of the human body and linking their learning to their own health and wellbeing.

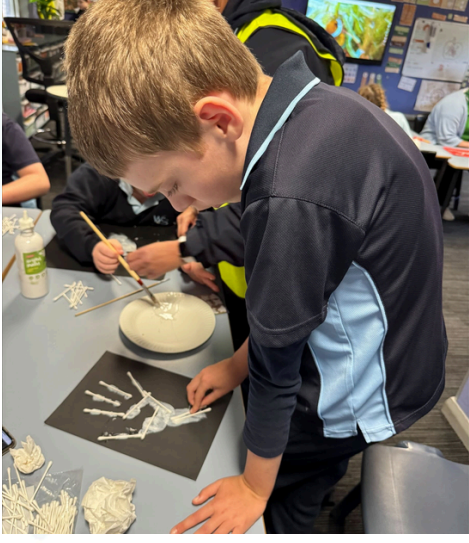
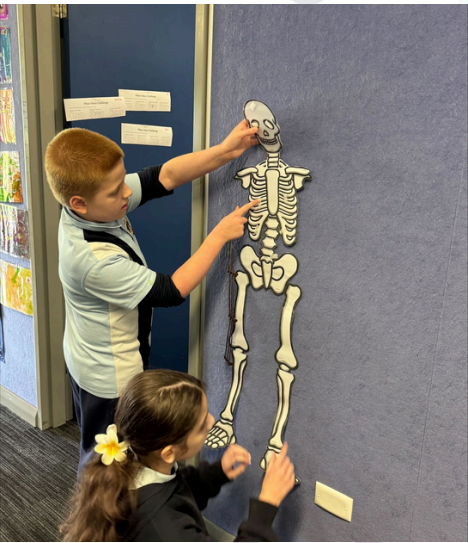
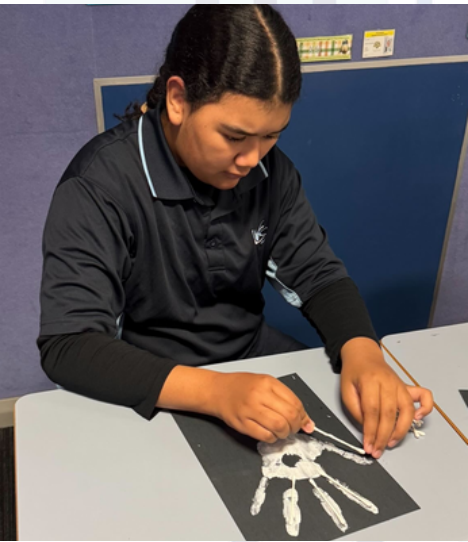
I am so proud of all the wonderful efforts and achievements of Giribil students this term!
Miss Maria Aspitia



GIRIBIL CLASS NEWS - CONTINUED



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PRIMARY SCIENCE TASTER DAY

Primary Science Taster Day Sparks Curiosity and Fun at WCS

On Tuesday 19 August, Year 6 students from Wadalba CS and Porters Creek PS were treated to an exciting and educational experience during the Primary Science Taster Day held at the WCS Science Labs. This special event was designed to ignite curiosity and encourage young learners to dive deeper into the fascinating world of Science and STEM.

The morning was packed with engaging, hands-on experiments and lively interactive discussions that brought scientific concepts to life in a fun and accessible way. Highlights included a salt water density column rainbow, where students observed how layers of differently concentrated salt water create vibrant, colourful bands, illustrating principles of density and buoyancy.

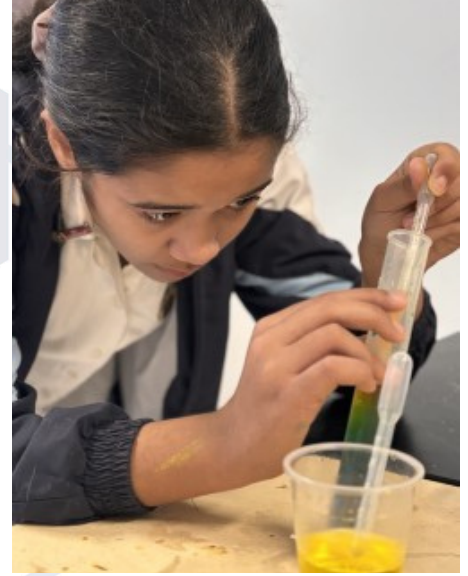
Adding to the excitement was the magnetic Hot Wheels car race, an interactive challenge that demonstrated the power of magnetism in motion. Students cheered as their magnet-powered cars raced along the track, sparking conversations about magnetic forces, friction and energy.

The Primary Science Taster Day was a fantastic opportunity for students to explore science beyond the classroom, ask questions and fuel their passion for discovery. Events like this play a vital role in supporting the transition of students from Primary to High School and nurturing the next generation of scientists, engineers and innovators!

We thank Mrs Downey and Mr Milne for their dedication in creating such an unforgettable experience for our students!



PRIMARY SCIENCE TASTER DAY - CONTINUED



SWIM SCHOOL

Over the past two weeks, some of our students have taken part in Swim School at Toukley Pool.

The program ended on a fun note with the pyjama swim, where students practised saving themselves while wearing clothes—a valuable water safety skill.

The bus rides were full of chatter, the lessons full of learning, and the pool was full of smiles. We are so proud of the improvement shown by all students in both skills and confidence.

As always, Swim School also brought its fair share of lost property adventures—from goggles to towels and even a few socks!

Thank you to everyone who supported this valuable program



SWIM SCHOOL - CONTINUED



SYDNEY NORTH SPORT

We are thrilled to celebrate Ariella's outstanding achievement in being selected to represent the Sydney North Football team. Over three intense days of competition at the State Championships held in Goonellabah, Ariella and her teammates showcased exceptional skill, determination, and sportsmanship.

The team's hard work and dedication saw them reach the grand final, where they faced a strong Hunter side. In a closely contested match, Sydney North narrowly missed out on the title, with the final score finishing 1-0 in Hunter's favour.

Despite the tough loss, Ariella's commitment and performance throughout the championships have made us incredibly proud. Congratulations, Ariella, on this remarkable accomplishment—we look forward to seeing your continued success on and off the field!



SYDNEY NORTH SPORT - CONTINUED

We are proud to acknowledge Owen's recent participation in the trial for the Sydney North Golf Championships held at North Turramurra Golf Course.

Originally scheduled for an earlier date, the trial was postponed due to weather conditions. When the event was rescheduled, players were greeted by sunshine, though the conditions remained cold.

Owen played impressively over the 8 holes, finishing with a score of 44. Although he narrowly missed selection this time, his performance was commendable and demonstrated great potential.

This experience has been a valuable opportunity for Owen to challenge himself and gain insight into competitive golf at this level. Congratulations, Owen, on your dedication and effort—we look forward to seeing your continued growth in the sport!



ICAS ASSESSMENTS

This year we again invited our students in Years 3-6 to take part in the world-renowned ICAS competition.

ICAS is an online academic competition that gives students the opportunity to challenge their higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, and Digital Technologies.

This year we had Leah S, Riley S, Chayce W, Rylie L, Ryan S and Kaichi F all participate. We are so proud of these students and are looking forward to finding out their results!



ICAS
assessments

FATHER'S DAY STALL!

**Our annual Father's Day
Stall is being held on
Wednesday 3rd September.**

**Gifts will be on sale for
\$2.50, \$5 and \$7.**

**Thank you to our amazing team of parent helpers
and our wonderful P&C for coordinating the stall.**



FATHERS DAY

PRIMARY & SUPPORT

Father's DAY

breakfast

5TH SEPTEMBER - FROM 7.30AM

We invite all of the special
men in our students' lives
to join us for a BBQ breakfast.

We look forward to
celebrating you all.





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2026 KINDERGARTEN



INFORMATION EVENING

when Wednesday 24 September **where** 6pm via Zoom

- Connect and learn about what your child will be doing in kindergarten
- A link will be emailed to families that have registered to enrol through our office.

MEET AND GREET

when Thursday 16 October **how** Register with code **b53ra**
schoolinterviews.com.au

- 20 minute sessions where you and your child meet at school with one of our school executives to chat about your child, and we will answer any of your individual questions.
- Register by 4pm Tuesday 14 October.
- Confirmation will be emailed to you. Changes can be made via the website.



ORIENTATION SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER
8:45AM - 10:15 AM

WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER
8:45AM - 10:15AM

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER
8:45AM - 10:15AM

- Parents and children will be greeted in the playground and your child will be walked to the kinder classes by a teacher at 8:45am.
- Your child will participate in a variety of fun activities in the Kindergarten rooms, make new friends and meet some of our teachers.
- Parents will be able to purchase uniforms on the first two orientation sessions at the drop off point (EFTPOS will be available).
- Children will return to the drop-off point for collection at 10:15am.

KINDERGARTEN
STUDENTS
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MONDAY
2 FEBRUARY 2026