

Congupna Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear School Community,

The final week of Term 3 is coming to an end, and this is an appropriate time to acknowledge some staffing 'comings and goings'. MARC Library Teacher Bob Boyer will be officially finishing tomorrow, but has shared the teaching duties with Katrina Campbell in the Library Van over the past five years. Bob has played a big part in managing our MARC Library Service with Katrina and I would like to thank him for all that he has done for the school and the service over this time.

I would also like to ***thank Work Experience student Ella Erickson*** for all her work on Thursdays over the year helping support our students. She has consistently been a 'quiet and caring force' in our classrooms throughout the year. ***This week we have past student Phoebe Zammit participating in Work Experience and early next Term we also have Charlotte Phillips attending in the same capacity.*** It is always lovely to have returning students still wanting to be involved with the school. Also, we ***welcomed Wendy back to school yesterday,*** returning from leave to prepare for next Term and attend important professional development. It was lovely to see students of all ages flocking to greet or cuddle Mrs Sidey!

As I am sure most of you are aware, ***our AFL 9's Day was postponed last week*** due to inclement weather. What you may not know is that we have ***now re-scheduled to Friday 6th October in the first week back in Term 4.*** This will be the week after the AFL Grand Final so will still feel a little bit like Footy Season. We shall roll over all Hot Dog orders to this day and cross our fingers that the weather gods smile on us this time. Please see the attached P&F Roster.

Today is RUOK Day today and our senior students have spent some time earlier in the week learning all about this with Ms Beer. This day is a great way to help promote positive mental health at school and I think it fits very well within our 'We are KIND' school value.

Having empathy and showing care to and for other people is not a hard thing to do and can become under-practised by busy adults. It is important that we all step outside of 'our own little bubbles' from time to time to check in on people that we care about that may be showing signs that they are having a tough time. Showing this level of care to someone else also makes us feel better about ourselves and as many of our children would be able to explain, 'this fills our bucket'. Three simple words - Are you Okay?

Congratulations must go to Grade 6 student Brodie Kelly on taking the Aerobics world by storm! Brodie received the national gold medal for Sports Aerobics in the Junior Category in Queensland last weekend and is in line to represent Australia in the coming years. Brodie has been participating in dance and aerobics from an early age and all of the hard work is paying off. This is a terrific example for our younger students to follow - if you work hard and really want to achieve something, you can! Well done Brodie!

School finishes for students at 3pm today due to the need to coordinate with local bus services and it not being the last day of Term. ***Our Terrific Kid of the Term will be awarded at Assembly at 2:45pm.*** Have a safe and enjoyable school holiday break and we shall see you back at school on Monday 2nd October. Please ***bring your school hat back to school*** if you haven't already.

Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary - Principal

Thought for the week

Empathy is about finding echoes of another person in yourself.



2023 SCHOOL COUNCIL

President: Tim Bye
Deputy: Lauren Sibio
Secretary: Wendy Sidebottom
Treasurer: Fiona Davis
Members: Adam Cleary, Sarah Tricarico, Jess Benton, Jeremy Lee, Jill Richardson, Sam Prentice and Jaclyn McCarty.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Term 4

Tuesday 17 October from 6:30pm

Tuesday 28 November from 6:30pm

2023 SCHOOL PARENTS & FRIENDS

President: Angie Grills
Secretary: Amy Ellis
Vice President: Georgina Prentice
Members: Bernadette O'Toole, Lexi Wright, Lauren Sibio, Jess Benton, Robyn Reynolds, Alice Evans, Emily Krake, Jacinta Allen, Rebecca Threlfall, Jayde Bannister, Brooke McLeod, Ebony Thorn, Fiona Davis and Erin Wilson.

TERM 3 CALENDAR 2023

September

14th Mismatch Dress-up Day
14th Last Student Day of Term with Assembly
15th Curriculum Day (BSEM Training)

TERM 4 CALENDAR 2023

October

2nd Back to school - First day of Term 4
6th AFL 9's Cluster Day (Re-scheduled)
15th Solar Boat State Championships (Sunday)
19th Whole School STEM Fauna Park Excursion

November

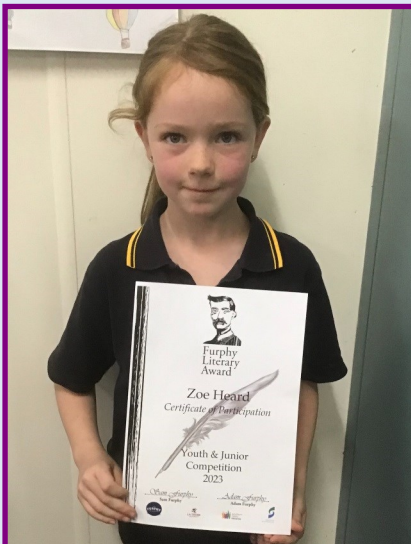
7th Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
14th 2024 Foundation Transition Day #1 (Tues)
17th Curriculum Day (BSEM Training)
28th 2024 Foundation Transition Day # 2 (Tues)

December

12th 2024 Statewide Transition Day
20th Last Day of School—finish at 2pm

Furphy Literary Award - Zoe Heard

Zoe's mother and father entered her in a local Grade 5/6 writing competition and the school was sent a lovely Certificate of Participation for her efforts. May your love of writing continue Zoe. We hope to read more of your fantastic stories at school.





We are **KIND** Awards

Lexi Kearney - for always caring and being thoughtful towards students and teachers.

Alby Davis - for his kindness and willingness to use his knowledge and skills to help others in our classroom. Well Done Alby.

Flynn Slade - For being a kind class member by being considerate of others during learning time.

Ethen Hill - For his group work, collaboration and being encouraging to others.

Kiwanis **TERRIFIC KID** of the week

Lucinda Threlfall - For her dedication and perseverance to complete her Story Writing Competition.

STEM Award

Ella Wells - For her enthusiasm towards STEM and her dedication to complete her Diorama.

CHAPLAIN CHAMPION

Callum Carvill - for showing maturity, being reliable and looking out for others.





AFL 9's CLUSTER DAY



Our Parents & Friends Committee are catering for our rescheduled AFL 9's Cluster Day on **Friday 6th October** and we would like volunteers to help with the organisation and serving of lunch from the canteen at the Recreation Reserve next door to the school. We are looking for volunteers to help for an hour or two. Please let Administration know if you are available. Thank you.

10:30 - 11:30am

Angie Grills

11:30 - 12:30pm

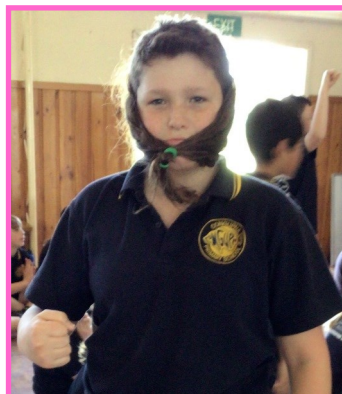
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12:30pm - 1:30pm

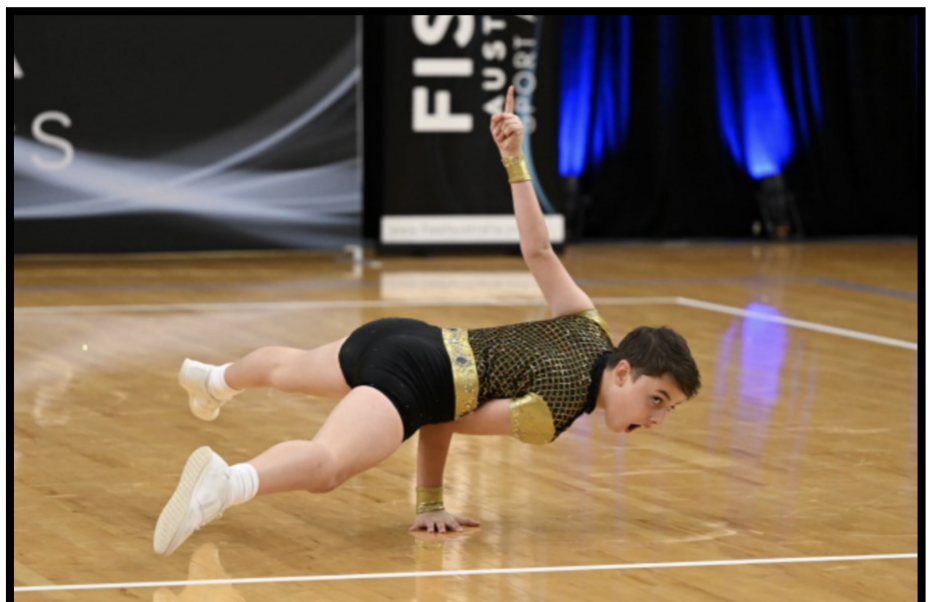
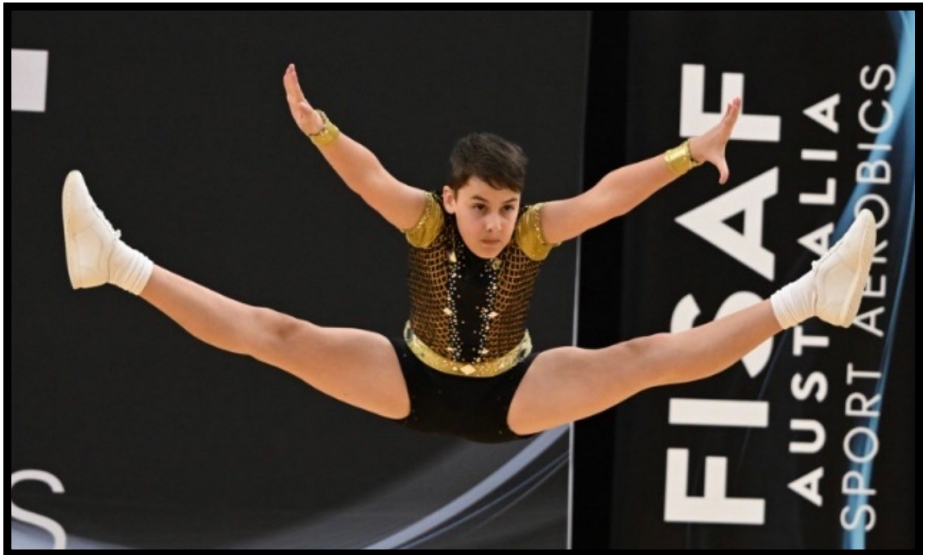
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RUOK? DAY™

Thursday 14 September 2023



Brodie Kelly



**2023 Australian
National Sport
Aerobics Junior
Champion**

2024 Foundation Transition



A time to settle in, meet new classmates and senior buddies...

| DATE AND TIME | ACTIVITIES |
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| Tuesday 14th November from 9:00 - 11:00am <i>Recess is 11am – 11:30am. Children are welcome to play in the playground or go home .</i> | <p>Please bring a <i>Piece of Fruit, Snack, Water Bottle</i> and a <i>Hat</i> to each session.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Literacy Activities• Numeracy Activities• Buddy Activities <p><u>PLEASE NOTE:</u></p> <p><i>Prospective students must have an approved and submitted enrolment form to attend.</i></p> |
| Tuesday 28th November from 9:00 - 11:00am <i>Recess is 11am – 11:30am. Children are welcome to play in the playground or go home .</i> | |
| Tuesday 12th December from 9:00 - 1:00pm <i>This is a longer TRANSITION DAY and is combined with a Parent Information Session from 12:30 - 1pm</i> | |



Congupna Primary School

- *Excellent Teaching and Learning,*
- *Supervised School Crossing*
- *Out of School Hours Care program,*
- *Stimulating learning environment,*
- *Professional and dedicated staff ,*
- *School Chooks and Guinea Pigs,*
- *School Bus Run to Shepparton,*
- *A Buddy System with Senior Students,*
- *Congupna Cruzers Soccer sides,*
- *Art, Library, LOTE & STEM classes*
- *A STEM Laboratory with Minecraft, Lego Robotics and a 3D Printer.*



Call Principal Adam Cleary for more details on 58 299 286

We are **KIND**

We are **BRAVE**

We are **CURIOUS**