

Congupna Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear School Community,

Our Kitchen Garden Program has now hit the halfway point for the Term with three completed sessions. Our students focused again on the garden and performed roles such as creating climbing structures out of sticks, covering the vegetable gardens with netting, and using the coriander and parsley that had gone to **seed to create 'seed spheres'** to replant. The veggie patch looks wonderful now and our students are loving getting their hands dirty and learning new gardening skills.

Our **first 2024 Foundation Transition Day on Tuesday was fantastic**. We had new students arrive and get 'sized up' for all their uniform needs in preparation for next year before attending the Library with Mrs Sidey so that they could get to know one another and settle in. It is a fantastic little group, and we look forward seeing them twice more over the coming month as they prepare for school life in 2024.

Our MACC Visiting Artist Ann Christie begun a bird portrait a couple of weeks ago and these stunning artworks were finished this week with our resident Art Teacher Clark Pettigrew. Using paint on canvass, students first sketched their design with pencil to ensure the correct composition and then used coloured paints to bring their Azure Kingfisher to life. **They look amazing and are being sent home with students today.**

Our **Student Voice Team organised a Muffin Day fundraiser yesterday and collected \$69** as a result of their hard work. The muffins were delicious. Thank you to Tam and Ms Craik for your help.

Our **Grade 5/6 students are yachting today on Lake Victoria**. The sun is out, and the light breeze is very conducive to excellent sailing conditions. I'm sure all our senior students will enjoy this opportunity to learn new skills and have some fun. Photos will be in next week's newsletter.

Our **Grade F-2 students have their Extended Stay & Sleepover next Thursday**. Foundations will stay until teatime and be picked up at 7pm. Our Grade 1 and 2 students will have the opportunity to stay overnight and begin to form

some of the independence and resilience required to attend longer camps as they get older. All students will be picked up at 11am on Friday morning. **Please return forms and payment asap.**

We now have an **updated list of Solar Boat sponsors as our request for support has had an overwhelming response**. We have placed the following businesses on our Digital Sign to thank them for their support: **CMV Truck & Bus, Shepparton Rotary Club, Caprice Paper, Byers Electrical, Shepparton Club and SPC Factory Sales**. We now have just over a week until our big adventure!

Congratulations to the students entered the **Best Start Story Writing Competition in 2024; William O'Toole, Tate Thorn, Brodie Kelly, and Lucinda Threlfall**. These stories were selected by the school and entered the main competition which received 37 entries from 14 different Primary Schools. "My Main Street" by Annabelle Ford won this year's prize but one of our entries, "My Team" by Lucinda Threlfall, was highly commended as a runner up. Congratulations to Lucinda and all students who worked hard throughout the Term to submit entries and **thank you to Ms Beer who has once again provided our students with this opportunity.**

Don't forget that tomorrow is a Curriculum Day. There is no Out of School Hours Care tomorrow due to a lack of available staff.

Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary - Principal

Thought for the week

**There will be obstacles.
There will be doubters.
There will be mistakes.
But with hard work,
there are no limits.**



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 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.



Foundation student Jaxon has a new little brother.

Congratulations to Emily, Jason & family on the safe arrival of your baby boy.

TERM 4 CALENDAR 2023

November

17th Curriculum Day (BSEM Training)
22nd MARC Library Books Due
23rd F-2 Extended Stay/Sleepover
24th Kitchen Garden Program
28th 2024 Foundation Transition Day # 2 (Tues)
28th Book Club Due

December

1st Kitchen Garden Program
6th Grade 6 Graduation
6th MARC Library Books Due
8th Kitchen Garden Program
12th 2024 Statewide Transition Day
13th Raffle Tickets Due
14th School Concert
20th Last Day of School—finish at 2pm



P & F Christmas Raffle

Dear School Community

The Parents and Friends are organising a Christmas Raffle which will be drawn at the end of year school concert.

We would like everyone to help and are asking for donations of items to make up some Christmas hampers as prizes. Donations can be anything from non-perishable food, decorations, or any kind of giftware suitable for all ages. Baskets will be placed in the Office for you to drop off your donations.

Raffle tickets will be sent home with each family. Tickets are \$1 each, with each raffle book worth \$10, please write a name and phone number on each ticket and return them to the school office. We encourage you to sell as many tickets as you can, with addition raffle books available from the office.

We appreciate the support from families by donating items and selling tickets.



Auslan



Food



Move hand, with thumb touching fingers, towards mouth twice.

We are **KIND**

We are **BRAVE**

We are **CURIOUS**



We are **CURIOUS** Awards

Tyson Mills - for being motivated to work out ways to keep improving your school work, especially writing. Keep it up!

Harmony Sunnerdale - for her excellent curiosity and questions in the games we played during baseball with Coach Kade! Awesome work Harmony!

Indigo Harrison - for being curious during her learning and taking on challenges.

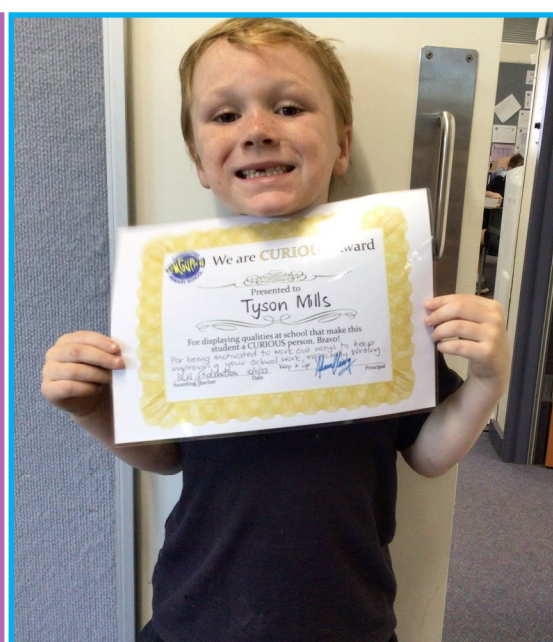
Jack Wells - for sharing the knowledge he is learning from his reading books.

Kiwanis **TERRIFIC KID** of the week

Ivy Threlfall - for being a capable student, who is friendly and loves a challenge. Well done Ivy.

CHAPLAIN CHAMPION

Bill Barclay - for being cheery, friendly and a good helper.





Best Start Writing Competition



Highly Commended Finalist:

Lucinda Threlfall - "My Teams"

Finalists:

Tate Thorn & Will O'Toole - "Barnyard Tales"

Brodie Kelly - "Colours"



Seed Spheres

PROUDLY RUN BY AL'S SKATE CO

NORTH EAST SKATE PARK SERIES

SKATE - SCOOT - BMX

ROUND 15 - YARRAWONGA SKATE PARK
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19TH

REGISTRATION & WARM UP 10:30AM
 COMPETITION STARTING 11:00AM

Due: 28/11/23

ISSUE 8

OUT NOW!

Book Club

Issue 8 orders due back in

Books included in Issue 8:

- Salah
- Goat
- Dragon Girls
- Dragon Fire
- Dragon King
- Dragon Prince
- Dragon Queen
- Dragon Lord
- Dragon Lady
- Dragon Master
- Dragon Mistress
- Dragon Lord & Lady
- Dragon Master & Mistress
- Dragon Lord & Lady & Master & Mistress

RUN FOR FUN

Training sessions for beginners and experienced runners

Tuesday 7th Nov	8:30am to 9:30am	Botanic Gardens, Kialla Meet at carpark
Tuesday 14th Nov	6:00pm to 7:00pm	Vic Park Lake, Shepparton Meet at SAM carpark
Tuesday 21st Nov	6:00pm to 7:00pm	Botanic Gardens, Kialla Meet at carpark
Tuesday 28th Nov	6:00pm to 7:00pm	Vic Park Lake, Shepparton Meet at SAM carpark

activities in the park

GREATER SHEPPARTON

Shepparton Library

Speechie Library Talk

goulburn valley libraries

Speechie Library Talks 2023

This November, join us for a Speechie Library Talk!

11:00am
November 21

Do you have a child between 0-5 years old?
 Would you like to help develop their language and literacy skills?

Meet your local speech pathologist, enjoy a reading of one of Speech Pathology Australia's Book of the Year 2023 winning books and find out more about how you can support your child's language and literacy development at home.

For more information or to make a booking
 Phone 1300 374 765
 or email shepparton@gvlibraries.com.au

Speech Pathology Australia

41-43 Marungi St, Shepparton
 Tel: 1300 374 765
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BUSH PLAYGROUP

Where: Botanic Gardens, Kialla

When: Every Tuesday (Does not run during school holidays)
 Time: 9.15am to 10.45am

What to bring: A hat, warm jacket and drink bottle. Some good walking or exploring shoes are also recommended.

Facilitator: Emily - 0488 567 131

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