

Congupna Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear School Community,

STEM geology sessions have continued this week and the rocks that Ms Craik has managed to borrow from people's collections have been amazing! Once again, the **response from our school and wider community has been terrific** and this has contributed to providing very engaging, hands-on lessons for our students. Well done.

Our Kitchen Garden program resumes today with Mrs Tricarico. Students have focused on a follow-up Nutrition session from our resident nutritionist Katie Thorp a couple of weeks ago. **Mrs Tricarico has completed activities with all students today teaching them about healthy lunchboxes** and promoting the benefits of eating healthy foods.

Our **final Number Fluency Assessment (NFA) topic begins next week with activities focusing on multiplication** and division being reintroduced. These sessions take place after lunchtime on Mondays and Thursdays. Please do not be concerned about the classroom your child is attending as these fluctuate from topic to topic and all students participate in activities that relate specifically to their individual points of learning.

Next Monday evening, we will have **our final School Council Meeting for 2025**. I would like to **thank all our school councillors for their contributions** this year. It is very important that we have a group of school community members available to ensure compliance and make sure we can be as responsive as possible to the needs of our wider school community. Thank you.

It will be the last chance to **return MARC Library books to Mrs Campbell next Tuesday**. Please make sure that we find all our borrowed books as we will be sending out Invoices in December.

Our **second Foundation Transition Day will take place next Thursday between 9-11am** in the STEM Lab again. Students will be picked up from the Bus Shelter by staff at 9am and returned there at 11am. We had a very successful first session and look forward to seeing our future Foundation students arrive in their new t-shirts next week.

We can now confirm the venue of our **Grade 6 Graduation for 2025**. We will be attending a Private Room at the **Peppermill Inn (Kialla) on Monday 15th December**. We do have venue limitations so are asking if we can keep attendees between 1-5 for each family. There will be more information to come but we wanted to make sure you all had enough time to get organised. **Please send Ms Mangiameli a message once you have confirmed your invited guests.**

We are aware that many of you may be eagerly awaiting confirmation of class compositions for next year. We have our **five classroom teachers confirmed in Wendy Sidebottom, Clark Pettigrew, Amelia Mangiameli, Julia Kildey and Celeste Huttley**, and look forward to announcing who will be where, and what classrooms our students and teachers will be inhabiting in 2026 very soon. There are a few final pieces of the jigsaw that we expect can be 'fitted' very soon.

Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary - Principal

Thought for the week

Don't flaunt your success but don't apologise for it either.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

President: Fiona Davis
Deputy: Lauren Sibio
Secretary: Wendy Sidebottom
Treasurer: Jill Richardson
Members: Adam Cleary, Brad Benton, Sam Prentice, Jaclyn McCarty, Jeremy Lee, Greg Joinbee, Amy Ellis.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING DATES

TERM 4

6:00pm Monday 24th November (Off-site)

SCHOOL PARENTS & FRIENDS

President: Angie Grills
Secretary: Alice Evans
Vice President: Erin Wilson
Treasurer: Jill Richardson
Members: Amy Ellis, Lauren Sibio, Jess Benton, Bec Threlfall, Robyn Reynolds Brooke McLeod, Fi Davis, Bernadette O'Toole, Lexi Wright, Georgina Prentice, Emily Krake, Jacinta Allen, Jayde Bannister.

TERM 4 CALENDAR - 2025

November

20th Kitchen Garden (Mrs T)
27th 2026 Foundation Transition Day #2
27th Book Club Due (Issue 8)

December

4th Kitchen Garden (Mrs T)
5th Kitchen Garden (Katie)
9th Statewide Transition Day
11th School Concert
15th Grade 6 Graduation at the Peppermill
18th Last day of Term (Thursday)
19th Curriculum Day (Pupil Free Day)

TERM 1 CALENDAR - 2026

January

28th First Day back at School for Grades 1-6
29th First day of School for Foundation

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The P & F are again organising a Christmas raffle to be drawn at the school concert on the 11th of December.

We are asking for families to kindly donate items to go into these hampers.

They can be anything from non-perishable foods and decorations to giftware suitable for all ages. If you have spare gift bags at home please feel free to donate those too!

If you are able to donate anything big or small, it would be greatly appreciated. All money raised helps to fund valuable educational equipment and experiences for the school.



Auslan



Pizza



Hold one hand flat in front of body, palm up. Above this hand bunch fingers and thumb together, and pointing down towards palm.



We **KIND** Awards

Lottie Head - for always being so thoughtful, kind and caring to your friends at school. Thank you.

Tilly Bye - for your kindness, care and leadership each week that shines, when you help sign, and guide our junior students at assembly.

Kiwanis **TERRIFIC KID** of the Week

Florence Joinbee - for bringing such a bright, cheeriness to our grade, always oozing friendliness and kindness to others, making you an awesome Terrific Kid.

AUSLAN AWARDS

Florence Joinbee and Quinn Marshall - for signing the National Anthem.



Sparkle

SHEPPARTON & MOORoopNA

Kick off
A Wonder Filled Summer
 with a magical evening at
Victoria Park Lake Shepparton
Friday 28 November | 6pm - 9pm
and Ferrari Park Mooroopna!
Saturday 29 November | 6pm - 9pm

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Time to return the Library Books.



FREE EVENT

WHEN THE DUST SETTLES

A documentary on men's mental health in regional Australia. By award-winning director Stuart McKay.

WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2025 | 6PM - 8PM
VILLAGE CINEMAS SHEPPARTON

Featuring:

- Short films by young people from Greater Shepparton
- Guest Speaker Warren Davies – The Unbreakable Farmer
- Followed by Q&A
- Aaron Schultz – The Outback Mind Foundation Founder




FRAME THE FUTURE FILM FESTIVAL

Recommended for ages 15+. Parental supervision is encouraged.

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Last week the students made raindrops with fist signs with our Auslan visitor on



Thanks for all the wonderful Christmas raffle donations. Don't forget to bring your items to school if you want to donate.

 **SCHOLASTIC**

Book Club

orders are due:

On Thursday 27 November 2025