



Learning Centre's Newsletter

Term 2 | 19th May 2023 | Week 4

Early Primary Update

Early primary will be participating in the National Simultaneous Storytime next Wednesday 24th May at 11:00am. The National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops, and many other places around the country. Now in its 23rd successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum Primary Students. The students will explore the text "The Speedy Sloth" and participate in a 'Great Race' with their peers later in the day. Reading is such an integral skill for our students to learn, and a love of books and reading will support them in this. Reading with children every day is a key factor in developing all these skills. Over the next week, all Early primary students will come home with a new take home reader pack. This blue bag needs to come back to school each day and weekly, students will receive new books to bring home and read with their family.

Our students continue to explore their favourite animals, where they live, what they need to survive and how we can help to care and look after them. Many classes have made habitats, looked at features of animals and used this information in their reading, writing and mathematics lessons. Have a look at some of our wonderful work!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Amy Byrne

Early Primary Leading Teacher

Upcoming dates...

Monday 22nd May

Influenza vaccinations

- Polly Parade
- Warringa Crescent

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- Cayleys Road

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I like turtles.





Lower Primary Update

This week in Lower Primary, classes have been getting stuck into the exploration of their inquiry. Students have been discovering what animals live in water, and which animals live on the land. In mathematics, students have been counting a certain number objects on top of animals templates, or they have been feeding a specific number objects to the animals. In reading, students have been focused on labelling the animals and the features of the animals, such as the colour, the skin type, the eyes, nose etc. In writing, students have been sharing their ideas around the animals they have been exploring.

Next week, our primary students will take part in an incursion called "The Imagineer". This incursion is a performance of a popular children's book. This week, classes have been reading the book in preparation for the upcoming performance.

If you would like to watch the book with your students, it is available on youtube:

Have a wonderful weekend!



Stacey Hilder

Lower Primary Leading Teacher



Upper Primary Update

Upper Primary had some very special new students arrive this week - Henny Penny chickens!

Henny Penny chickens are a chicken hatching program run in educational settings across Australia. On Monday we received two baby chicks and twelve eggs in a specially designed incubator. Over the next week, the chickens will hatch at different times from the eggs and will move into the brooding pen which is set up with a heat lamp, food, water and bedding.

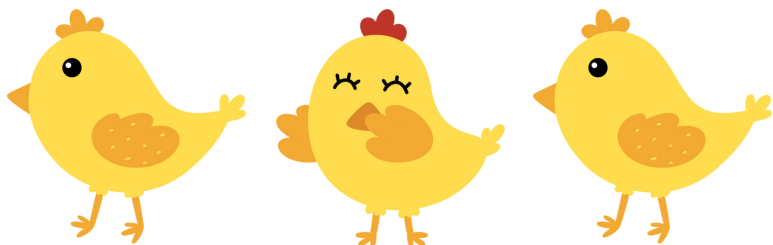
Currently Room 29 are hosting the eggs and chicks, before they grow old enough to move to the chicken run in the garden attached to Room 36. When they are old enough and start laying, the eggs collected will be used in Cafe 11.

Before our chicks make their move to Room 36, there will be plenty of opportunities for classes from the Warringa campus to visit the chicks and learn more about the hatching of chickens and also their care requirements.

A big congratulations to Eugene from Room 36 who was our PBIS Student of the fortnight in Upper Primary.

Maddy Slatkin

Upper Primary Leading Teacher





Polly Parade Update

Our young learners at Polly Parade demonstrated amazing progress over the last four weeks of this term.

We had a fantastic close encounter with our friendly Australian animals in Week 1. Our students were thrilled to see, touch, and interact with possums, joey, owl, lizard, goanna, turtle, frog, crocodile and phyton. Through student imagination, they created a zoo atmosphere inside our multi-purpose hall. This event provoked their curiosity, stimulated their creativity, and built their purpose in learning. This term, in our inquiry, we are investigating how we can take care of our world.

It's great to see students highly engaged in learning about animals, their body parts, habitats and ways to look after them. They love learning discuss how they can save them from extinction. Using natural materials collected from our nature walks around the school, our learners have created and built micro habitats inside their classrooms. Insects and bird houses were built, painted and decorated during our science lessons while they learned new words that describe where and how animals live.

We have also started to collect our green wastes and put them inside our compost bins. Students placed the collected left-over fruits and vegetables inside our active worm farm. Over the next weeks, we will start to plant seeds and seedlings and observe their growth at our sensory garden. We are looking forward to seeing vibrant colours, fragrant scents and tasty herbs and vegetables in our school's vegetable garden next term.

On Tuesday we acknowledged and recognised our Education Support staff and prepared a special afternoon tea for them. Our students and teachers made them felt loved and appreciated by giving them cards and a gratitude jar filled with heart-warming messages of thanks.

Today we celebrated 60 days of school at the campus. Our young learners enjoyed the various counting activities using shells, sea sponges, corks, wooden pegs, glass pebbles, icy pole sticks and plastic gems and more. They animal themed disco party was a highlight where students danced to their favourite animal songs.

Look out for the photos of the celebration in the next fortnight's newsletter.

We thank you all for your support!

Joan Ocampo
Leading Teacher





Bethany Road Update

Another exciting fortnight at Bethany Road Campus has come to an end! A group of students from PLC 2 were lucky enough to get out into the community and check out the offerings down at the Youth Resource Centre, as they continue to explore their local community. Through this exploration and learning, the students have planned a canned food drive across Warringa Crescent Campus, Bethany Road and Cayleys Road. If you have any non-perishables that you can donate, please send them in with your child so they can drop them off at their admin office! In week 7 our students will be collecting these donations and taking them out to the Flemington Mission. We are very proud that this is the project that our students have planned, it is really demonstrating their growth as community citizens.

At our assembly this week, I have reminded students about the importance of staying in class to engage in their learning. We know that sometimes our students need a movement break to help them be ready for learning and we will support this, but it is important that we all remember that isn't just to wander around. I will be sending further messages about this next week.

A note to all families that you may start to receive information about your child's Disability Inclusion Profile (DIP). If you hear anything please reach out and we can guide you through the process. We are very lucky to have a wonderful team working through all of our DIP enquiries and they will be more than happy to support you with anything that you need.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- 8th June – Police coming to present to some of our students about online safety.
- 9th June – Report Writing Day Student Free Day
- 12th June – Monarchs Birthday Student Free Day
- 22nd June – Reports to go home.
- 23rd June – Last day of School 2.00pm finish

I hope you all stay warm and well as the weather starts to cool down!

Tim Hilton

Assistant Principal – BRC

Cayleys Road Update

We have had a wonderful fortnight of learning at Cayley's Road Campus. In week 3 we had our maths championship celebration. Students across the campus engaged in hands on maths activities where they were able to take learning from the classroom and apply it to a range of fun activities around the campus. The day was rounded off with a whole campus Maths relay in the school Gym where buddy classes worked together. The students had a fantastic day learning and working together.

This week we had a youth band performance at Cayleys Road Campus oval where students were able to enjoy music from local band 'Terra'. Students got to meet the band and even have a go at the drum set. It was a great experience for the whole campus. The school has a strong partnership with local youth services which provide many engaging opportunities for our students.

We are almost halfway through what is a short term and teachers are working on student assessments which will be used to track and report on student progress. We have a curriculum day on the 9th June which allows targeted time for teachers to finalise these reports and have them ready for families at the end of term.

These past few weeks we have been impacted by staff absences at Cayleys Road Campus. If you are having difficulty contacting your child's teacher on any day, please do not hesitate to reach out to the leadership team who will be able to assist. I would also ask our school community to work together at this time and ensure any students who are unwell are staying home to recover and coming back to school when symptoms have passed.

Have a lovely weekend!

Caitriona Toland

Assistant Principal – CRC



Dates for the diary

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Term Three

10th July – 15th September

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First day of Term Three

Friday 15th September

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Term Four

2nd October – 20th December

Monday 2nd October

First day of Term Four

Thursday 7th December

Professional Practice Day – Pupil free day

Wednesday 20th December

Last day of Term Four

Is your child turning 16?

Most students at Warringa Park may be eligible for The Disability Pension when they turn 16.

Contact Wendy at the Cayleys Road office and she can advise you on the application process.

Call Wendy on 9749 5774

Moving house?

New phone number?

- Are you moving house, have a new phone number or email address?
- Please advise the administration team of any changes
- Any bus changes for new addresses will take time to check seat availability



Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term at Warringa Park School!



Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's school skipping challenge that helps kids move more, have fun and raise funds for lifesaving research and programs.

This year we've got a goal to see our student Heart Heroes at Warringa Park School to undertake skipping throughout the program and overall increase their physical activity!

[Register your child online](http://www.jump rope.org.au/parents), so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started.
www.jump rope.org.au/parents

Students will be skipping throughout the term in PE lessons/during lunch break, during this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold a school Jump Off Week later this term, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills. Students will also have the opportunity to create a class healthy smoothie through our Bike'N'Blend bikes.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!



Youth Group

COME ALONG AND JOIN THE FUN OF YOUTH GROUP!

RUNNING FORTNIGHTLY EVERY THURSDAY DURING SCHOOL TERMS 4:30PM TO 6:00PM.

OUR CULTURAL PROGRAM FOR ALL SCHOOL AGES ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER YOUTH LIVING IN AND AROUND THE CITY OF WYNDHAM.

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