

Newsletter



VISION STATEMENT
*WORKING TOGETHER,
MAKING A DIFFERENCE
WITH EVERY CHILD*

BAKER BAKER ~ FRIDAY

19th October
Kookaburras
Kangaroos
Platypuses
Emus

**No
Baker
Baker**

26th October
Kookaburras
Kangaroos
Platypuses
Emus

Willow B
Asher C
Lincoln B
Raegan B

THURSDAY FRUIT BREAK

Thursday 18th October
Elisha White

Thursday 25th October
Kim Kennedy

All permission notes
will only be available
from the Office for
you to sign

Thought of the Fortnight



All kids need is
a little help, a little hope, and
someone who believes in them.
- Magic Johnson

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Term 4 Week 1

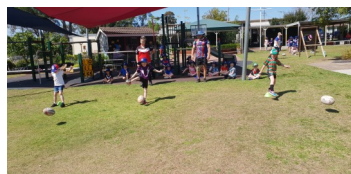
16th October 2018

BACK TO TERM 4

I trust you all enjoyed the school holidays and have returned to school happy and healthy and ready for an exciting terms work.

FOOTY FUN DAY LAST DAY OF LAST TERM

The children all enjoyed a great time participating in different sports tabloids as a reward for keeping all the Positive Behaviour for Learning expectations.



SPORTS CARNIVAL WITH NILLO INFANTS SCHOOL

Nillo School organised a wonderful combined sports carnival this year at Maitland Park. We appreciated the parent support and hope you enjoyed the day as much as your children.



KINDERGATERN TRANSITION PROGRAM STARTS 24TH OCTOBER

We look forward to meeting all our new kindergarten students coming for 2019. We have a very full transition program for six weeks from 12:00- 2pm for six weeks. Parent information occurs the first two weeks.

PARTNERS IN LEARNING PARENT FEEDBACK SURVEY

I appreciate all of you who are taking the time to fill in this parent survey for us. The survey finishes next Friday 26th October. It is completely anonymous. If you would prefer to complete this survey at home to provide us with valuable feedback to help us with planning for 2019, please google the link below.

Thank you.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/smis2018>

YEAR TWO SLEEP OVER

I know all Year 2 students are very excited about the sleep over. It will be held this THURSDAY NIGHT 18TH OCTOBER AT 5PM-FRIDAY 9AM.

The cost is \$14 and it needs to be paid by cash ASAP please. Permission notes are at the office. Please ensure your child is picked up by 8:45am this Friday as the teachers will be exhausted and will need to sleep.

Thank you.



SHOWCASING OUR WONDERFUL STAFF HERE AT STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

Introducing Mrs Foster



1. Where did you grow up? I moved around a lot as a child due to my father's job. I grew up in Sydney and then moved to Cootamundra during primary school and later moved to Nelson Bay to attend high school.

2. What has been the highlight of your work as a Learning Support Officer so far?

Definitely the children! I love working with all children and especially love working with children with special needs.

3. What is your favourite food? Italian food. Yummmmo.

4. What is your favourite place you have travelled to?

New York. I spent a month and 9 flights later travelling across the USA. Nashville would be a close second choice.

5. Do you have any children? I have two gorgeous girls, Mackenzie and Lily.

6. What inspires you and why?

My eldest daughter, who sadly passed away a few years ago, inspires me to spread awareness and to help find a cure for her disease. She inspired me to write a children's book last year which we used to raise money for research into Batten Disease.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING. THIS FORTNIGHT WE ARE FOCUSING ON:

Parents, it is useful if you are aware of what we are focusing on at school so you can reinforce these behaviours at home with your children and use the same language with your children.

Be responsible by:

Week 1

Doing Quality 5 Work



We encourage children to take pride in their work and concentrate on doing the best handwriting, maths work and art. One award for a student in each class for beautiful book work is presented in assembly each week.

Be Respectful by:

Week 2

Being Honest



Children are encouraged to always tell the truth even if they have done something they should not have done. Children are taught that people who tell the truth can be trusted.

WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION TO HUNTER VALLEY ZOO ~ FRIDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

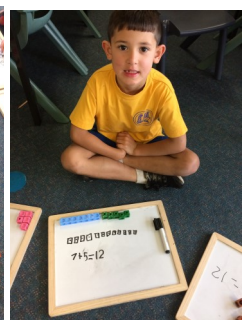
All classes will be going to the Hunter Valley Zoo and parents are invited to join us there. The cost for students is \$20 which includes entry fee, a bag of food for the animals and bus fare. Parents will need to pay at the gate (entry fee \$26.10). If your child is sick on the day a non-refundable amount of \$6 would be retained to cover the cost of the bus. The back up date is Friday 16th November in case of bad weather. Permission notes are available at the School Office. Ref No 111 if paying via POP on our school webpage Thank you.

EXCURSION TO HEAR JACKIE FRENCH

We were privileged to listen to renowned Australian author, Jackie French last term. She has written over 200 books and has won many literary awards. We have several of her books in our library.



MATHS LESSONS



Addition and subtraction is taught with the use of concrete materials. Children demonstrate their understanding by manipulating the materials and then formulating number sentences after they have proved they are correct. If any parents or care givers would like to come and assist teachers during numeracy lessons we are always grateful for your assistance. Please just see your class teacher. Usually these lessons occur between 12-1pm.

Anne Carr Principal

2018 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Every Week	Breakfast Club	Student Banking Play Group 9.30 to 11.00am		Fruit Platter Supplied School Assembly @ 2.15pm	Baker Baker
Wk 1 15th-19th Oct	Children commence school			Year 2 sleep over	Year 2's leave 9am. Basketball lessons for K-1
Wk 2 22nd-26th Oct		Responsible Pet Care program	Kindergarten transition 12-2pm Weston transition 12- 3pm		Basketball lessons Daniel Morcombe day Bandanna day
Wk 3 29th Oct-2nd Nov			Kindergarten transition 12-2pm Weston transition 12- 3pm	Smart Money pro- gram lessons.	Basketball lessons K-2
Wk 4 5th -9th November	Domino's pizza night		Kindergarten transition 12-2pm		Whole school excursion to Cessnock Zoo No Baker Baker
Wk 5 12th -16th November	P&C meeting 1:45pm		Kindergarten ransition 12-2pm		Back up day for Cessnock School Basketball lessons

INFORMATION ABOUT A NEW HEAD LICE TREATMENT

From Chemistworks.

We provide a revolutionary treatment for the eradication of head lice and their eggs.

The timing of this offering coincides with the alarming rise of super lice in Australia, due to the overuse of over the counter chemical and pesticide treatments. Lice have become increasingly resistant to the active ingredients used in these treatments and parents now struggle to rid their children of lice and their eggs.

Lice Clinics Australia inside Chemistworks guarantees a one-hour treatment that kills all the lice and their eggs and it is pesticide and chemical free.

Although the technology is new to Australia, it has been successfully treating lice outbreaks globally in 18 countries for 6 years with over 200 clinics in America.

The rapidity of the treatment allows parents to have their children back in class, lice-free in record time, without the risk of transferring the lice to other children in your school.

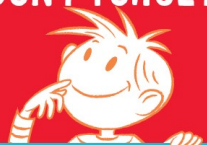


CONGRATUALATIONS TO MR PING

Mr Ping was recently recognised by a member of our school community and he received a special award recognising his excellence in teaching. We are all very proud of him and are glad someone took the time to make his nomination. I know I am privileged to work with my staff who all show dedication to the children in their care.



DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club

orders are due:

Wed 31st October

Good for Kids good for life

TARNAMBAI

Tarnambai is a Traditional Indigenous Game. Tarnambai means 'running' in the language used in the Batavia area of north Queensland.

How to play:

Players roll a tennis ball away from their partners, who sprint after it, pick it up on the run after it crosses a line 20 metres away, and return to the starting line. Time the attempts, hold a team relay, or use this as a tabloid event in small groups (two to four players) with a set time (2–3 minutes).

Check out the Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games resource book online to see more fun games for the family to enjoy and to learn more about Aboriginal culture.



Source: Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games 2009



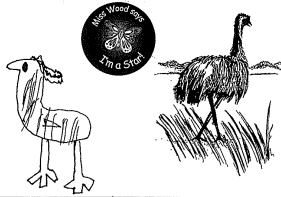
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ENJOY ART WORK AND STORIES ABOUT EMUS BY THE EMU CLASS

Emus

By Amahlia Grace



Can you guess what animal has soft feathers and thin feathers? It has knobby knees? yes you guessed it its an emu. Emus are really cool birds they live in Australia.

They eat insects and to digest there yummy bugs they swallow a tiny pebble.

Did you know that when mother Emus lay their eggs the mum just leaves and never sees her babies again? yes you read right they never see them again.

Do you think Emus are cute now? I hope you really liked my information about Emus.

Emus

By: Tahj Dunning



"Zoom" there goes the emu. It has a sharp beak, little wings and long legs.

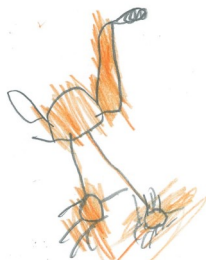
Emus live in Australia. They make a nest on the ground.

Fruit seeds and plants are what they like to eat.

The mum lays the eggs then the dad sits on the eggs until they hatch.

They have sharp beaks.

They live in bushy places.



Emus

By Abbigale



can you guess what animal has a sharp beak, a long neck, knobby knees and little wings? You guessed, its an Emu. Emus have two eyelids, one for blinking and the other one for keeping dust out of its eyes. They have brown feathers and a strip of blue on each. Emus are 2m meters in height. ✓

Emus live in Australia in bushy lands. They live in forest but not in rainforest. They live in bushes. Emus live in cool places but not too cool. ✓

Emus eat bugs, seed and plants. Did you know that Emus swallow pebbles to help them digest their food? They will swallow pebbles after eating their food. Did you also know that the dad Emus survives 8 weeks without food? ✓

In human families mum and dad are responsible for raising their babies "BUT" in Emus families the mum lay the eggs and they leaves as soon

Abbi

as she lays her eggs. That's right you read correctly Mum leaves straight after she lays her eggs. The mum lay them then the dad looks after the babies until they are old enough to survive by themselves. Do you know how long the Dad Emu sits on the eggs? 8 weeks! with out eating or drinking



Raegan



Neve



Kade



Tye

STUDENT AWARDS

For Assembly 20th and 27th September

Kookaburras

Logan D
Settling back into our
classroom

Cooper T
A Fantastic attitude in
Class

Kangaroos

Xander C
Being an enthusiastic
mathematician

Phoebe B
Improved effort in her
learning

Platypus

Naomi McD
Excellent understanding of
the Writing process

Wyatt B
Wonderful improvement in
Reading

Emu

Cooper J
Working hard to achieve
Quality 5 work in Writing

Nolan P
Working hard to improve his
handwriting

QUALITY 5 BOOKWORK**Kookaburras**

Aydin Y

Willow B

Kangaroos

Zoey G

Deaken K

Platypus

Jayda S

Mia W

Emu

Abbigale L

Tahj D

(PBL) POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING AWARDS**Kookaburras***Be Responsible – Help others***Banjo B***Be Responsible – be organised***Scarlet V****Kangaroos****Asher C****Blake H****Platypus****Brody P****Stella F****Emu****Amelia F****Amahlia N****PRINCIPAL AWARDS**

Eden M, Jazmin L, Mitchell W, Zeppelin G, Abbigale L

HOME READING AWARDS**Bronze** (25 nights reading)

Silver (50 nights reading)

Gold (75 nights reading)**Double Bronze** (100 nights reading)

Thea H, Amahlia N

Double Silver (125 nights reading)

Brody P, Lachlan D

Double Gold (150 nights reading)

Sarah P

**STAR STUDENT AWARDS**

Kaitlyn M, Mitchell W, Kade H, Kye R

**Royal** (200 nights reading)

Tahj D., Lilikah C, Miley C, Billie-Roze W

Double Royal (250 nights reading)**Excellence** (300 nights reading)