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Dates to Remember

Playgroup continues on a weekly basis.

SMASH continues every Wednesday this term. Please don't forget your \$3.00, joggers and a hat.

Kindergarten orientation continues each Tuesday and Friday.

Swimming starts Monday 19th November and continues for 2 weeks.

End of year Presentation ceremony 1pm Thursday 13th December, 2012.

*Friday is library day.
Students are encouraged
to borrow and return
books each week.*



Term 4 Week 4

Week ending: 2nd November, 2012

Principal's Report

I would like to thank all our Grandparents and teddy bears for visiting last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many community members supporting our school. The children loved to show off their classrooms and school work.

Staff are busy preparing end of year reports. These will be handed out in week 9 of this term.

Children and staff have been practising our play for our Presentation Ceremony which will be held on Thursday 13th December starting at 1pm.

The students are showing great enthusiasm and the play is coming along beautifully.

Swimming will start on Monday 19th November, being Week 7. The swimming lessons will run daily for an hour over the two weeks. A permission note regarding swimming school is attached. Please complete these notes and return to school with payment as soon as possible.

Pam Murphy
Principal.



AWARDS



Congratulations to all the students who received awards at last week's assembly.



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*Congratulations to our positive rewards
program recipients:*

Jesse, Mason, James and Jake



GETTING TO KNOW OUR STUDENTS

60 seconds with Sarah-Jane

What is your favourite activity at school?

My favourite thing is participating in Art and making things.

Favourite T.V. show

"Toy Box". I watch it after school. I enjoy it because it has a lot of toys.

What is your favourite activity you do on a weekend?

I enjoy going to the club with my mum and step-dad. I like spending time with them.

If you had a vegetable garden, what would you plant and why?

I do have a vegetable garden and I have planted carrots, onions, tomato, spinach and beetroot.

Favourite animal

I have a few favourites, they are: cats, dogs and kangaroos. I love to pat my dog and cat. I like kangaroos because they are fast and jump around.

60 seconds with Marika

What is your favourite activity at school?

I enjoy using the laptops and my favourite is Spelling city.

What do you think is the most environmental problem facing our world today?

The bush fires are a problem and the flooding in Africa is a concern as it is ruining people's homes.

If you could be an actor which part would you play?

I like the Simpsons and I would like to be Lisa because she likes to go to the show.

Your favourite animal and why?

Would be a horse, because you can ride it.

If you had a vegetable garden, what would you plant and why?

I would plant strawberries, lettuce, carrot, tomatoes, and cucumbers. I would like to plant these things so we didn't have to buy them.

K-2 NEWS

In HSIE we are working on 2 units: Places we know and wet and dry environments. In the lead up to Christmas K-2 will be starting to learn about different celebrations. You may like to start discussing events that your family celebrates with your children. Reminder that students need to practise their spelling words every night as well as complete their maths sheet weekly. Homework and library books are to be brought back on Friday.

Miss Pettit

Super Spellers

Week 2: Chloe and Jaimie

Week 3: Jaimie, Chloe and Sarah-Jane

Special awards

Jaimie - For producing outstanding homework

Sarah-Jane - For always doing your work in class and for setting an example

Kailey – For having a great time at school

Travis – Writing beautifully and having fun in class

Jake- Following instructions in class

3- 6 NEWS

In H.S.I.E we are continuing our unit on Rainforests. The students are studying magnets in science.

Both the K-2 and 3-6 rooms have been busy rehearsing the end of year play. The play is sure to be wonderful as the students are working well towards the production. I'm very impressed with the enthusiasm shown by the students and their good work in the classroom.

Pam Murphy

Super Speller

Week 2: Amy and Trinity

Week 3: Dominic, Jesse, Trinity and Robbie

Special awards

Trinity – Great drama rehearsal

Amy – Great drama rehearsal



GRANDPARENTS AND TEDDY BEARS PICNIC DAY

Grandparents Day.

Grandparents are our heritage and are essential members of our families and communities. That is why a special day, National Grandparent's Day, is set aside every year to honour them.

There are more grandparents today than ever before. By the year 2030, approx. 1 in every 8 Australians will be over 65 years of age. For the first time in history, and probably for the rest of human history, people age 65 and older will outnumber children under age five.

This demographic shift creates the potential for rich intergenerational connections across seven or more generations: your own generation, three generations before you – parents, grandparents, great-grandparents – and three generations after you – children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

'Last Friday was our opportunity to show our grandparents what we are doing at school. We were really pleased to see so many grandparents come to school and join us. Our grandparents were fascinated with how we use technology including our notebook computers and interactive smart board'.

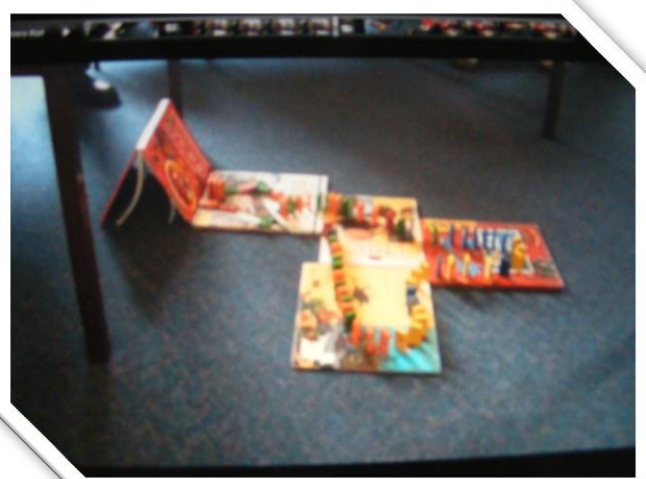
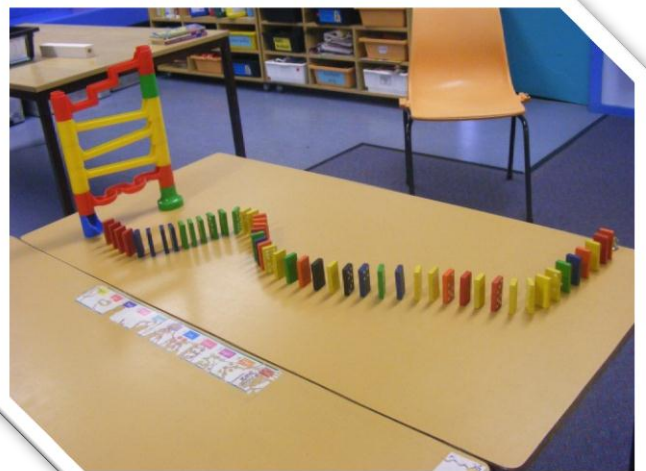
Students comments.

Yes, times have certainly changed and will continue to do so.



The K-2 rendition of Teddy Bear's Picnic was fabulous.

The student's domino display was spectacular!



Swimming for survival

Help keep your child safe this summer at Swim and Survive programs for all levels. The programs – taught by experienced, AUSTSWIM-qualified instructors – run November to February throughout NSW. <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive/>

Starting Kindy

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2013? Show them this video which explains what happens during a typical day.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/what-happens-in-kindergarten>

Movies and books

Is your child a reluctant reader? Why not try helping them find the book that goes with a movie or DVD they've enjoyed, or are about to see. Encouraging your child to read can help them to build their imagination.

For tips and ideas: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/how-movies-can-inspire-kids-to-read>

Rainforest creatures

Experience Taronga Zoo's stunning Wild Asia rainforest trail guided by volunteer researcher Heidi Greentree. Rainforest Heroes is a new, free iPad app that lets students capture their discoveries, on location at the zoo or from home, and then make a field report.

Find out more about the app: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/taronga-zoo-rainforest-heroes/id558373157?ls=1&mt=8>

Fitter, healthier, happier

Go4Fun is a free lifestyle program being run across NSW towns. For 7-13 year-old children who are above a healthy weight, activities aim for a long-lasting and healthy approach to living and are suitable for both kids and their families.

To make an enquiry: <http://healthykids.nsw.gov.au/campaigns-programs/go4fun%C2%AE-program.aspx>

Budding artists

Young aspiring artists could get off to a great start by entering this competition to design the look for Youth Week 2013. Winners get to showcase their work and win \$1000.

Find out how to enter <http://www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au/>

Thought for the day

Knowledge advances by steps, not by leaps.

Lord Macaulay