

# School Newsletter

Issue 1, 9 February 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday and Friday  
Feb 8, 9, 15, 16, 22**  
Swimming

**Tuesday Feb 13**  
Parent Information  
Night 6:00 – 7:00pm

**Wednesday Feb 14**  
Geelong Cats Clinic  
At school  
10:00 – 11:30am

**School Council**  
7:00pm

**Friday Feb 23**  
Hockey clinic at  
school  
1:00 – 3:00pm

**Tuesday March 5**  
Student leaders  
congress for Year 6  
students.

**Monday March 11**  
Labour Day Holiday

**Monday March 18**  
Athletics sports at  
Nullawarre Primary  
School

## **Welcome Back**

I would like to welcome back previous families and new families. I hope everyone was able to enjoy some family fun time over the holidays and we are looking forward to the year ahead.

## **Newsletters**

Newsletters are sent home fortnightly and provide an update on stories from the classrooms and other school updates. Please take the time to read the newsletters as they also provide updates to the term calendar, that has been previously sent home.

## **Parent Information Evening**

We are holding a parent information evening next Tuesday February 13 beginning at 6:00pm and concluding at 7:00pm.

The aim of the information evening is to:

- Introduce ourselves, provide a run down of the curriculum which will include wellbeing and teacher roles.
- Homework expectations.
- Answer any questions.

## **School Council Membership 2024**

The School Council will meet every third Wednesday of the month during the school term, meetings begin at 7:00p.m. The final meeting for the 2023 School Council is Wednesday February 14 beginning at 7:00pm.

The current School Council Members are Danielle Myroniuk, Emily Reeves, Jason Dance, Olivia Morgan, Anne Morrison, Caroline Reid, Suellen Dodson and Jo Cronin.

We have one vacant position for the 2024 School Council. If you are interested, please speak to Fiona. Nomination forms are available from the office and nominations close on March 13.

## **Hats**

As part of our Sun Smart policy all students are required to wear wide brim hats outside in terms one and four. Hats are available for purchase from the school. Please see any staff member if you require a hat.



# CUDGEE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

School Captain - Isabella  
 Vice Captain - Florence  
 Chair Person - Ruby  
 Secretary - Charlotte  
 Treasurer - Jack  
 Environmental Officer - Elliott  
 Sports Captain - George

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

## GRADE 3-6 UPDATE

GRADE 3/4 MRS BIRD

GRADE 5/6 MS SELWAY

SPORT AND TUTOR  
MR MCCLUGGAGE

## WELLBEING

Our current topic is Emotional Literacy. We have created tableaux, or freeze frames, showing a situation where someone might feel a certain emotion. It was lots of fun!

## MATHS

Grade 3/4 are learning about place value and expanded notation.

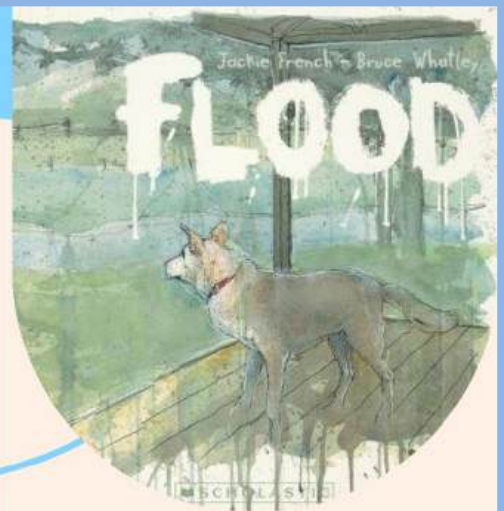
Grade 5/6 are learning about tenths and hundredths. We are using sliders to help our understanding of decimals.



## 3-6 Science

## Among the Gum Trees

Biological Sciences  
Term 1, 2024



## LITERACY

Our mentor text is 'Flood' by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley. We have been learning new vocab and developing our background knowledge of flood events in order to better understand the story. We will be completing our own writing tasks based on the text.



## Prep, One and Two

The first 2 weeks has seen us welcome five new prep students to Cudgee Primary School (Connor, Stella, Attley, Marty and Artie).

Students have been focussing on settling into school routines and developing positive work habits, which they have been achieving with great success.

As part of their literacy learning, students have explored story sequencing and predictions during reading lessons. In Sounds Write, Prep students have been focusing on the sounds a, i, m, s, t. Whilst Grade 1 and 2 students are quickly reviewing the earlier units of the Extended code to ensure these are embedded.

In Maths, our timetables and routine focus has allowed us to explore time and duration related words such as minutes, seconds, hours and days. Whilst we have begun practising counting at our appropriate levels. Preps have been focusing on counting as high as they can using objects to help with this while they have been practising writing these numbers down using accurate formation. Students have enjoyed playing 'Estimate and Check' to practise this. Grade 1 and 2 students have been exploring numbers between 100 and 1000 including skip counting and the patterns we see when skip counting.

Thank you to parents who have been completing home reading and discussing and practising sounds with their children of a weeknight, this is greatly appreciated.

Mr McLachlan



## Cudgee Primary School Health and PE



It was terrific to see all students engaged and active during our team-building activities. Our positive behaviour focus for P.E. and Sport is based around the C.P.S. acronym: Cooperating, Participating and Supporting. As a result of 'having-a-go' at these behaviours, teams were able to launch their precious-eggs higher (F-2) and improve their treacherous stepping-stone journeys (3-6).

Admirably, teams planned a strategy and respectfully communicating this throughout their team's challenge. And impressively, there were numerous examples of students helping and encouraging each other; working through challenges rather than 'giving-up'; and assisting with the pack-up of equipment.

Throughout the term we're looking forward to more team-building activities and transferring our C.P.S. positive behaviours to the Swimming and Athletics sessions and our upcoming Aussie Rules Football and Hockey clinics.

Well done everyone.

Ryan McCluggage





**NORTH WARRNAMBOOL  
EAGLES**  
FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

**UNDER 10'S FOOTBALL TRAINING**  
WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH  
4:30-5:30  
BUSHFIELD REC RESERVE

**UNDER 12'S FOOTBALL TRAINING**  
WEDNESDAY 14TH & 21ST FEB  
4:30-5:30  
VENUE TBC  
FOLLOW NWEFNC FACEBOOK FOR MORE DETAILS



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**FORESHORE KIDS TRIATHLON**

SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY  
@ 10.45AM START (7-12'S)  
11:45AM START (U7'S)

THE PAVILION WARRNAMBOOL FORESHORE

Under 7's - Triathlon Taster - Parents encouraged to run alongside their kids - elements of swim/bike/run together  
Ages 7 to 9 - Swim 100m - Ride 2km - Run 500 m  
Ages 10 to 12 - Swim 200m - Ride 4km - Run 1km  
Ages 12+ Can participate in Short Course Events @ 7.30 am (Cost \$20) \*Note deep water swim

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS - PAY ON THE DAY  
Kids Members \$10 Non Members \$15  
U7s Gold Coin donation  
Sign up online for FREE Kids Membership

For registration details or more information visit:  
[www.warrnambooltriclub.com](http://www.warrnambooltriclub.com) or call Peter Varley (0417786481) / Ian Barnes (0439733939)





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**KIDS TRIATHLON'S  
@ KILLARNEY  
Sunday 3<sup>th</sup> March**



Under 7's, 7 - 9's and 10 - 12's  
U7's Gold Coin, \$5 Members, \$10 Non- Members  
Registration Online @ [warrnambooltriclub.com](http://warrnambooltriclub.com)

ARRIVE FROM 11AM

U7'S START 11:30AM, 7-12'S FROM 12:15PM

JOIN IN THE FUN - BE HEALTHY - CHALLENGE YOURSELF



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**A vibrant school community growing together in an engaging learning environment.**  
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