



2nd June 2017

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NEWSLETTER



2017 Key

Dates

Monday 5th June

Pie Day

Monday 12th June

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 14th June

Tas Networks

Electrical Safety Workshops

Friday 19th June

Scholastic orders due

Monday 26th June

Mid Year Reports Sent Home

Wednesday 28th -

Friday 30th June

Community School Symposium

Monday 3rd - Tuesday 4th July

Parent/teacher/student meetings

Friday 7th July

End of Term 2 Assembly

Last day of Term 2



THE PRINCIPAL

We are only 4 weeks away from our school/community workshop. I hope that you are able to make some time to attend.

This workshop will consist of a series of activities to help us explore what are the most crucial ingredients for our students education. Your participation at this workshop will enable us to gather an accurate understanding of what you think your child's future educational needs will be. If you have any questions please give me a call at school. Please remember to RSVP.

We are currently developing our new student Behaviour Management Plan. This plan will recognise positive student behaviours as well as address unsatisfactory behaviours. This new plan will improve the communication exchange between the school and home. This is being done to ensure that we continue to work in partnership with all families to celebrate the positives and support student growth. The plan will be discussed at a School Association meeting on Tuesday evening. Following this we will send all families further information about the new behaviour management plan.

It was great seeing parents and family members at the school cross-country in true cross-country weather conditions! Congratulations to all our students who braved these conditions and tried their hardest –well done!

Thank you to parents & students for the valuable feedback about mobile phones. These responses will be collated & shared with you. Importantly these responses will accurately inform our school mobile phone policy. More information about this will be distributed shortly.

Please remember we have our School/community workshop starting on the 28th of June followed by teacher/parent/student meetings in the final week of school.

We will also be celebrating our student work at the end of term assembly on Friday the 7th of July.

I look forward to hopefully seeing you at some of these school events.

Kind regards

Stuart Dwyer
Principal

COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUM

Have you got your RSVP in to the school office? If not please call 6359 2021

Cross Country

BASS₍₉₄₎ VS FLINDERS₍₉₅₎





Flinders are the Winners

Grade 5/6 Muttonbirds



Muttonbirding

The rotten smell of gurry burns my nose
as the bright morning sun rises, locked
on our eyes.

I hear the squeaks and squawks of the
birds as I proudly pull it out of the long
burrow, its soft feathers against my hand.

Later, the burning sun starts to drift from
the pinkish, blue sky, we light a fire.

We are as ravenous as a shark,
destroying everything in our paths.

The birds are cleaned and the night is
young.

The fire burns and stories are told.

The birds are cooked and the relish is
opened.

We all eat. Yum!

Izzy Heron

MUTTONBIRDING

Black feathers trail down the burrow.

The midnight, black bird peacefully lies at
the bottom of the hole not knowing what
to expect.

My hand creeps down the moist dirt as I
reach for the bird.

Sharp pains run up my arm.

I quickly pull out. Blood trickles down my
arm but I don't give up.

I pull him out, squawking frantically.

I've won this time.

His eyes watch me soulfully as I ring it's
neck.

I might feel guilty now, but I know once I
eat him it will all be worth it.

The water glimmers like diamonds as the
sun goes down.

The oil sizzles like sparks as we cook the
birds. The juicy taste fills my mouth as we
watch the sun go down.

Nina Hizzard



Bridie Dwyer



Mutton Birding

As I jump off the boat, the frosty mist surrounds me.

I run to the beach. I'm so excited to put my hand down a hole.

As we head to the burrows, the wind is icy and blowing softly.

We trek up the tussock hills and find burrows.

I slowly put my hand down the deep, dark hole. Nothing there.

I scramble to another hole. This time my hand is pecked by an angry bird.

I quickly grab hold of the bird and break its neck.

After a days work, we head back to the beach.

The sun is going down and the sky is a bright pink.

As we head across the golden water back home, I think of what a great day I've had.

Emmy Killengray

Mutton Birding

I see the bright, crystal like island emerging.

The boat pulls up and I take my first step onto the beach.

The smell of mutton birds hit me like an electric bolt. The strong smell makes me hungry.

I throw a bag over my shoulder and head deep into the rookery.

I spot a hole that might have a bird.

I drop to the ground and stick my hand into the hole.

The mutton bird latches onto my hand like a trap and won't let go.

I gain my strength and pull it out.

Its sharp claws dig into my skin but I manage to place my hand around the neck.

Within a split second, crack! It is all over for the mutton bird.

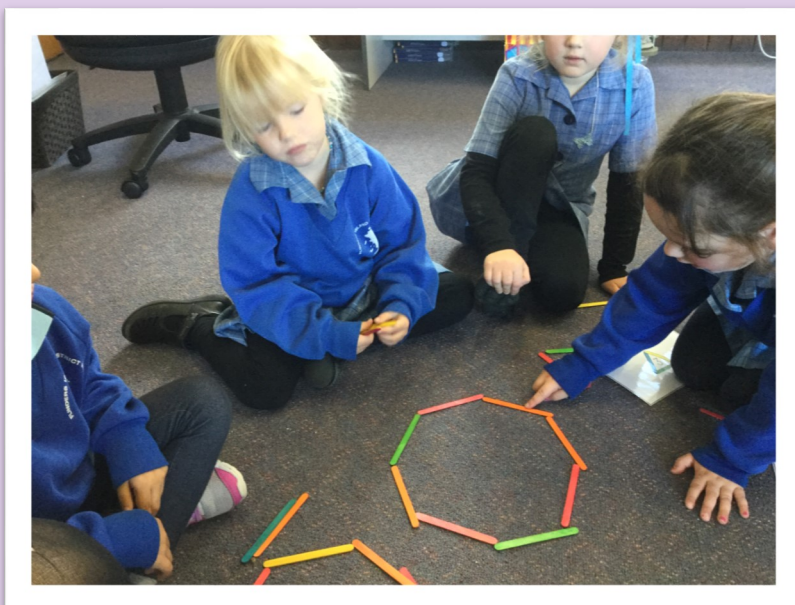
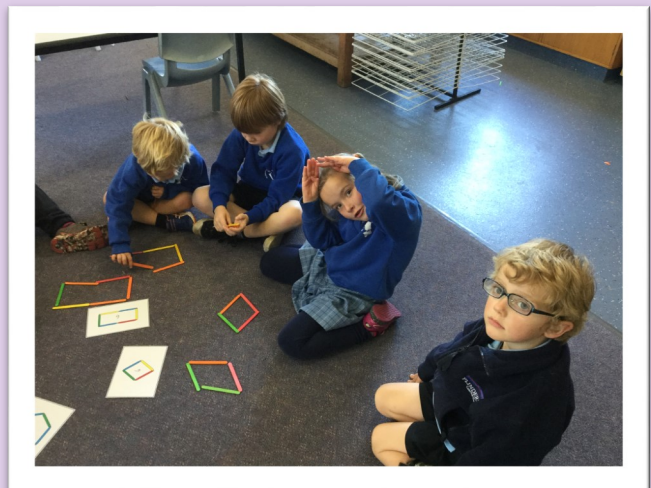
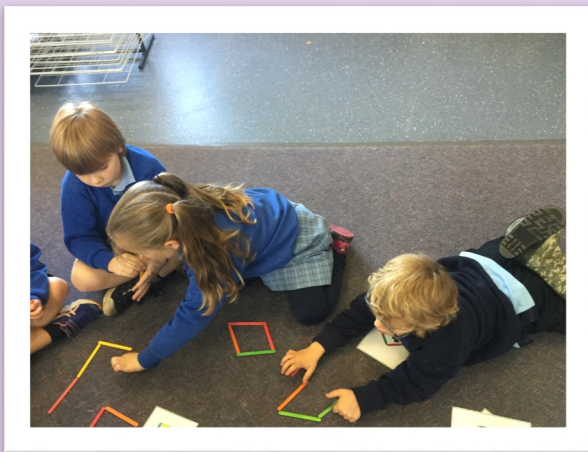
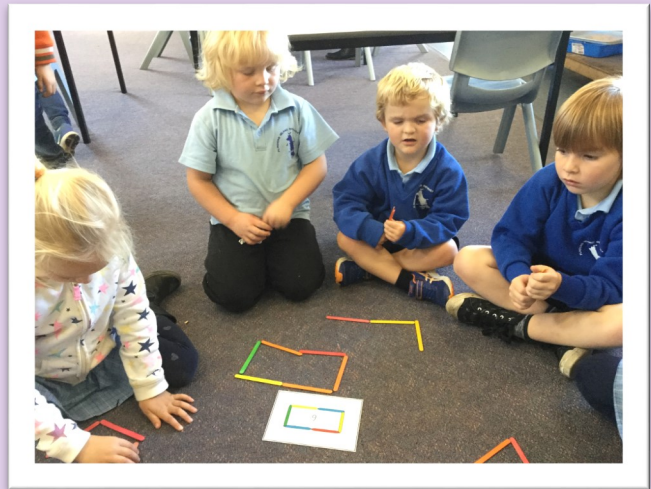
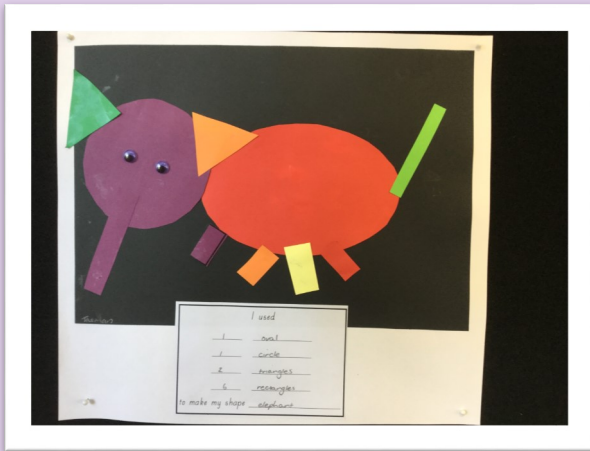
I place the fluffy bird into the bag and head to towards the rocks.

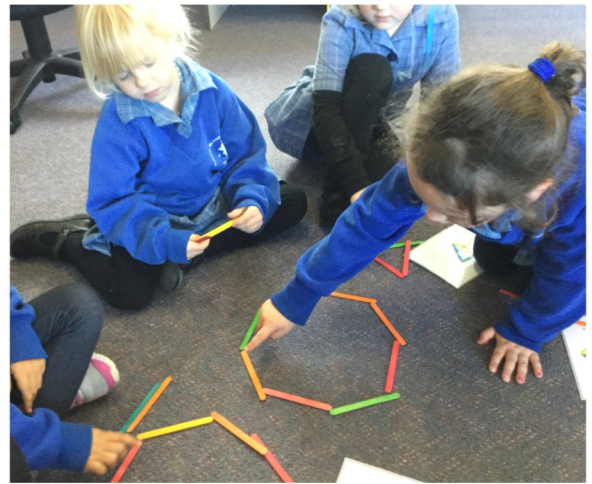
I chop up a few birds and fire up the barbecue.

When they are cooked, I grab one and smother it in relish. I take a bite and my mouth fills with sweetness.

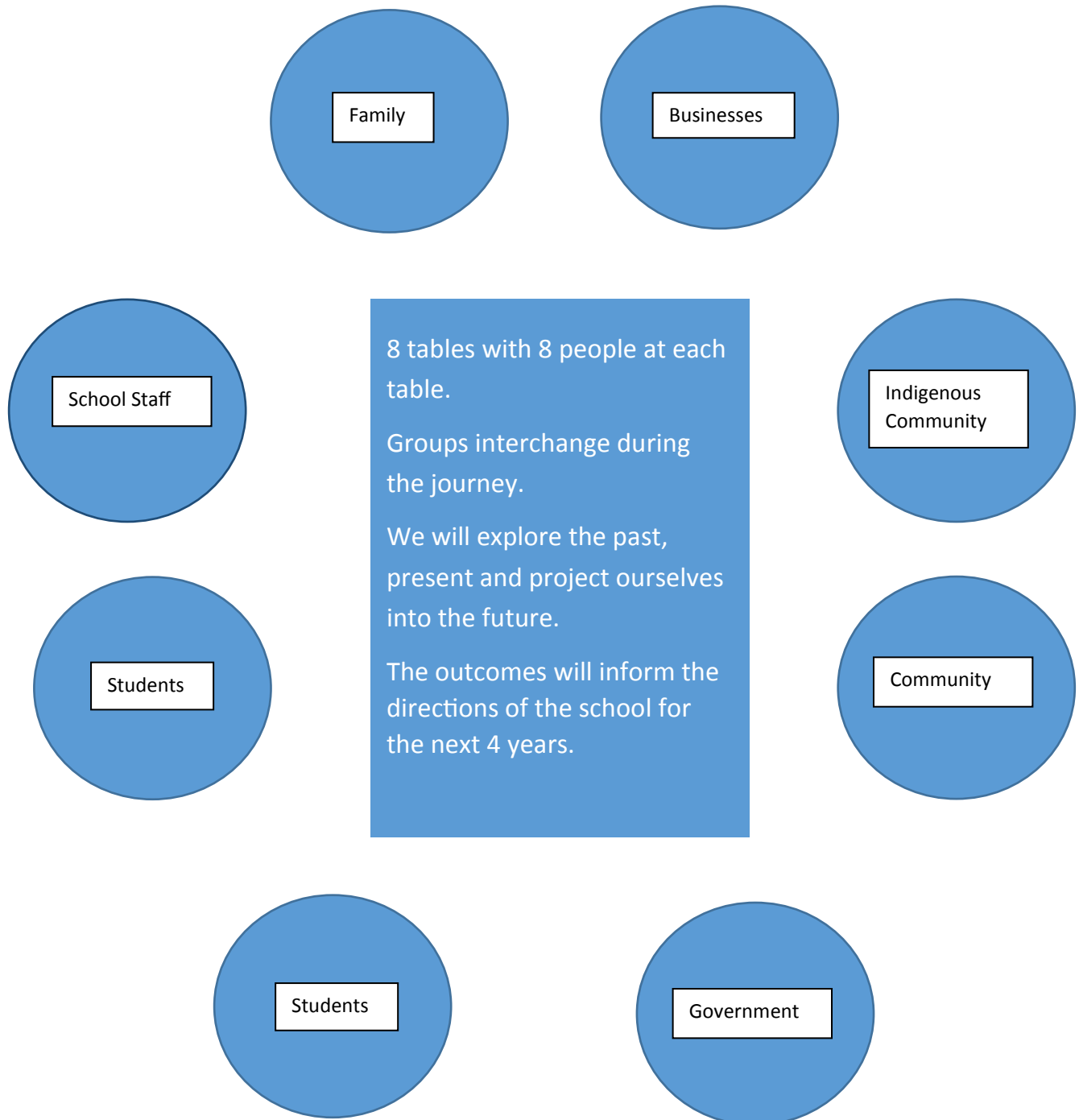
Josh Donovan

Kinder 2D Shapes





'Informing Our Future'



The aim of the workshop is to search the role of the school in preparing the children of Flinders Island to play their part in their future, as well as in the future of Flinders Island, Tasmania, Australia and the World.

'Informing Our Future'

**You have been invited to attend & participate in the important
School/Community Symposium:**

What is a symposium? It is a meeting or a workshop to discuss a certain matter. In our case this will be an opportunity for as many people from across Flinders Island to get together and talk about education. You will know most of the people in the room.

WORKSHOP

What happens at a symposium? There will be lots of different activities where we work/talk in small groups about education. We will be talking about what has happened in the past, what is happening at the moment and what we would like to happen into the future.

In some activities, tables will be mixed up so we get to listen to other people and hear their stories and ideas. We will have a chance to share our own ideas as well as possibly developing new ideas.

We will be making lots of notes on butcher's paper and placing these on the walls to remind us of our stories & ideas.

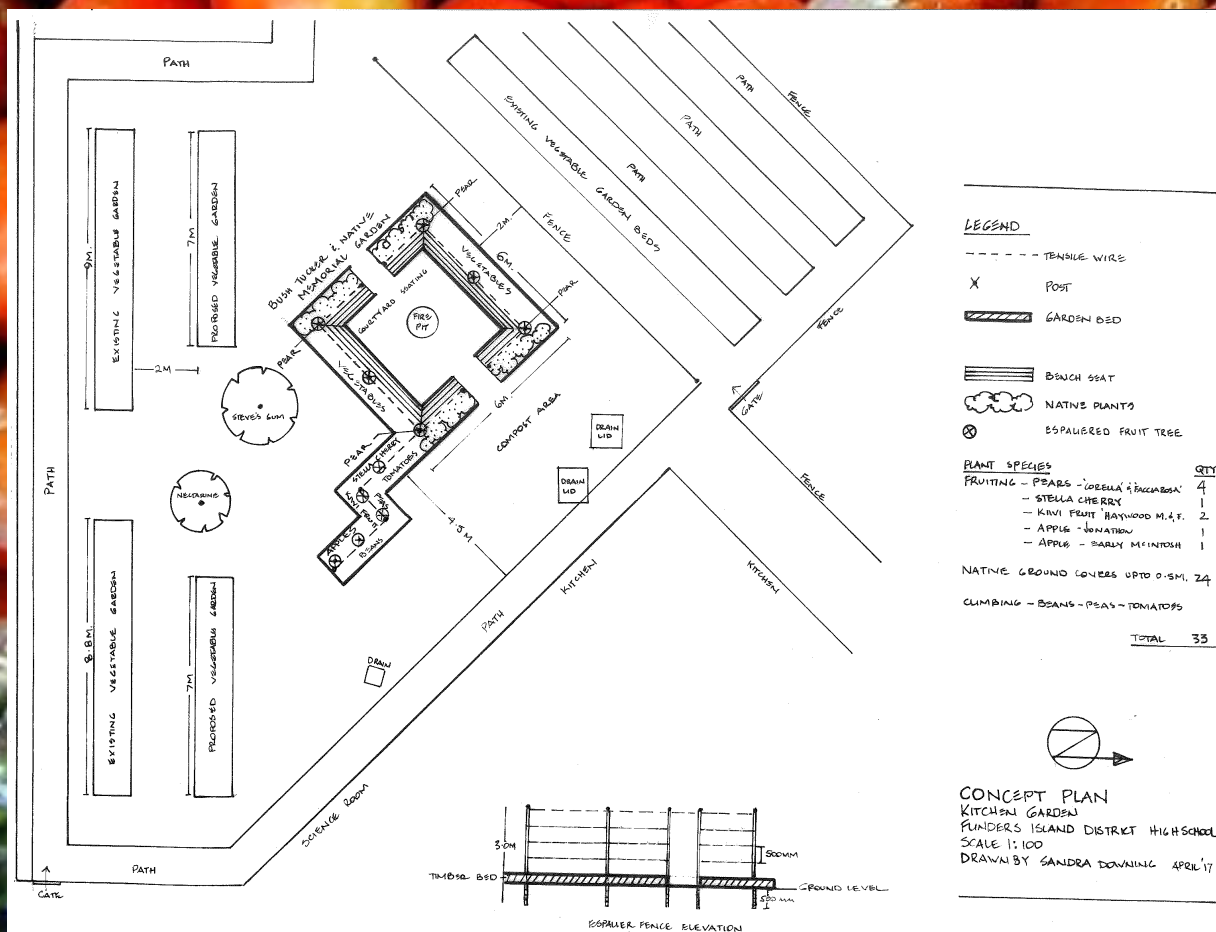


Fully catered



What happens at the end of the symposium?

As a result of listening and sharing our ideas we will come out with a set of common ideas/concepts about how we would like education to look here on Flinders Island. These ideas/concepts will then assist the school to deliver an education that reflects the aspirations of parents and the community and accurately prepare our students for their future.



School Association

General Meeting

To be held Tuesday 6th June 5.45pm
school media room

Reviewing the School Behaviour
Management Policy

All parents welcome



Winter Ball/Dance to be held beginning term 3

Watch this space



COMING SOON

Prep – Grade 6 students

Tuesday 13th June – Friday 18th August

- Students are challenged to read 10 books in 10 weeks
- Books are recorded in a reading log
- If a student finishes 10 books before the Challenge ends – they can get another page for their reading log, or ask their teacher for one
- Students can write an online book review during the Challenge to be in the running for one of 60 \$15 book vouchers
- They are invited to join 'team Rioli', 'team Shiels' or 'team Birchall' to support their favourite Hawthorn player when they submit a book review

Rewards will be handed out during the challenge

**The Premier's Reading Challenge will wrap up and we'll move into
Book Week Monday 21st August – Friday 25th August.**

**Book Week theme for 2017 is Escape to Everywhere – where
would you like to escape to?**

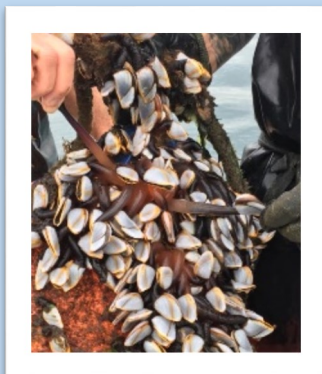
Aquaculture Project

Hi all we are looking at collecting 2 litre milk bottles for a Aquaculture project that we are going to be involved in for secondary science, along with Jon Day from the Australian Barnacle Company, currently working out of the Ab factory in Lady Barron...

We need the bottles to help with the farming of goose neck barnacles. We are happy to have them sent in whole or to be cut up as to the picture, but can you please wash them out first either way.

Collection points will be located the School, Walkers general store, and outside the Lady Barron store...

Any bottles that can be dropped off will be greatly appreciated.



Primary Options

Come check out our portrait posters of students, staff and community members. These have been done by our students in Mr Dwyer's Posters option and are being displayed in the windows at the front office.

Learners first, connected and inspired

Early Years Education

Empowering educators to build partnerships with parents/care-givers to enable them to be companions with their child in learning.



Term 2, 2017

Launching into Learning activities, every **Wednesday from 9.30 – 11am** in the Terrapin Building
(If you come later than 9.30am – a note will be left on the door to let you know where we are)

**** Please bring a water bottle and a piece of fruit to share ****

24 th May	Outside play – weather permitting. Sand pit, swings and the fort for play and exploring.
31 st May	Art/craft and the magic of salt dough. We will read a story and then children can make salt dough 'monsters'. We will then allow them to dry and paint them later on.
7 th June	Play time in the gym. Rumble and tumble time with big mats and big balls. We will also get some racquets out for some hitting adventure.
14 th June	Music with Kathleen in the Terrapin building. Again she needs to start at 9.30am.
21 st June	Art/Craft and painting our salt dough 'monsters'.
28 th June	Weather permitting – outside play in the Kinder area. Sandpit and bikes.
5 th July	End of term activity – cooking. Let's get stirring and make some yummy monster cookies to eat for morning tea.



Student Leaders

The new members of the student council are: Team President: Anastasia Meier, Vice-President: Jenna Pickett, Co-Secretaries: Tristan Meier and Sophia Smith, Co-Treasurers: Tom Pitchford and Bridie Dwyer, Co-Public Relations officers: Olivia John and Nina Hizzard.

We are here to make the school a better place for everyone staff, students and the community

We discussed at our last meeting what goals we are going to aim for both this term and for the year. Our goals for this term include putting a bin on the oval. This will stop the littering that is currently a problem at our school. We are also planning to give a thumbs up award. The student leaders will award this to a student displaying positive behaviour. We are also planning on starting a suggestion box that will be out at the front office. If you have any ideas, issues or questions you would like to ask anonymously, you can slip a note into the box. However, don't be afraid to approach any of our student leaders if you have any suggestions or questions.

By Nina and Olivia (Co - Public Relations Officers)



Pie and Sausage Roll day – Monday 5th June

Pie with Sauce	\$5.00
Sausage Roll with Sauce	\$4.50
Party pie with sauce	\$1.50



Just write your order on a paper bag like a normal lunch order and place in your class tub or for the secondaries, bring to the office.

Normal school lunch list also available on this day so if you don't want a pie you can order off that



What's new in Book Club Issue 4?

Scholastic catalogues have been sent home. Orders need to be into the office by Friday 16th June.

Every purchase earns points for the school which can be used for new books in our Library.

It's also a great way to buy birthday presents. Just remember to put your name on the order form so we don't distribute to the students when the orders arrive. If you need extra order forms please contact the school office.



**NOBODY HAS TO MISS
OUT ON BOOK CLUB!**
CHECK OUT THE GOLD COIN
BOOKS INSIDE ISSUE 4



AFTER SCHOOL SOCCER

Wednesday afternoons on the school oval from 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm



WANTED –The school is after some old newspapers for a Papier Mache primary option that is coming up in Term 2. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped at the schools office.



SCHOLASTIC

CREATE YOUR OWN DIARY OF A MINECRAFT ZOMBIE CHARACTER AND WIN!

Create your own *Diary of a Minecraft Zombie* character and WIN a book of your choice from the series—there are 25 prizes up for grabs!

How to Enter:

1. Buy any copy of *Diary of a Minecraft Zombie*
2. Imagine you are Zack Zombie's mob friend!
Name your character, describe it in 25 words or less and draw a picture of your character for extra points
3. Email your answer and send your picture as an attachment to competitions@scholastic.com.au, along with your name and age or alternatively send to:

Diary of a Minecraft Zombie Competition
REPLY PAID 579
Gosford NSW 2250

The most creative descriptions and pictures
will win a book of their choice from the
Diary of a Minecraft Zombie series (#1–#6)

Entries close 31 May 2017.
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STUDENT



AWARDS

Grade	Student	Award
 Kinder / Prep Student	Charlie Cook	Being a kind and caring friend and displaying enthusiasm in all learning
 Grade 1/2 Student	Cooper Nevin	Mature attitude in reading jobs
 Grade 3/4 Student	Coopa Matthews	Positive attitude, effort and behaviour
 Grade 5/6 Student	Nina Hizzard	Always displaying positive behaviour and application in class
 Grade 7/8 Student	Tristian Meier	Consistent effort, focus, hard work and manners
 Grade 9/10 Student	Not presented	Due to student absence
 Award	Jaxon Scown	For always being polite and kind to others in the playground

Monday
22nd May



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