

WHAT'S ON

Term 3

Week 5

Monday 14th August

Scholastic Book Fair for 2 weeks.

Tuesday 15 August

Book Parade, scavenger hunt, open classrooms. 9:30am

Friday 18 August

National Day of Action Against Bullying

Week 6

Week 7

Tuesday 29 August

Life Education Van

Wednesday 30 August

P & C Meeting 6:30pm

CANTEEN

Term 3, Week 5	Helen, Ariel, Angie
Term 3 Week 6	Bec, Kelsey, Sophie



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FRIDAY 11 AUGUST 2023

Principal's Report

Being a part of the Stroud Public School community is very special - thank you parents, carers, staff and community members for all you do for the students in our school.



We had an incredibly busy, yet exciting week last week and I am very grateful to all who help bring opportunities and experiences to our students.

Thank you Amy for organising the Land-care planting on Tuesday which coincided beautifully with Schools Tree Day. All our students can explain the significance of trees for our local environment, and for the health of our planet. It was a great morning and we hope we can be involved again soon!

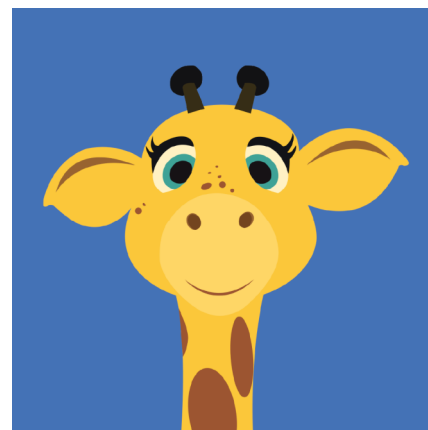
Thank you to the P & C who supported the Youyoong AECG meeting held at Stroud PS last Wednesday. There were over 60 people in attendance from Port Stephens, Raymond Terrace and Dungog areas. They all raved about the delicious food they were served!

Our entire school enjoyed a wonderful day at Murrook Cultural Centre last Friday and this would not have been possible without our P & C funding the bus transport.

Our students are incredibly supported by our whole school community. Thanks Stroud!

We have nearly all our families registered through the School Bytes Parent Portal. Well done everyone - what a fantastic effort! You can now use the Parent Portal to explain absences and make payments for camps and excursions. Please keep payments for the Stage 2 and 3 camp coming in as these exciting major excursions get closer every week.

Yesterday you should have received notification of the Life Education's visit on the 29th of August. We book the Life Education van every second year to complement our teaching and learning in PDHPE. We look forward to sharing our lessons with Healthy Harold the giraffe with our friends from Stroud Road PS and Stratford PS.



Our overall attendance these last two weeks has been really impacted by some awful viruses hanging around. Our attendance rate last week was 72% - well below our target of 95%. I hope everyone is beginning to feel much better and we can have everyone back at school soon.

Have a great weekend!

Erin Wilson

Principal



Merit Awards - Week 3 and 4

	Week 3	Week 4
Wattle	Ruby M, Rahni, Phoenix	Romey, Kingston
Bottlebrush	Tristian. Xavier	Pippa, Piper
Banksia	Zane, Matilda, Jesse, Darbi	Jeremy, Makayla
Mrs Wilson	Harper, Callum	Piper, Mack

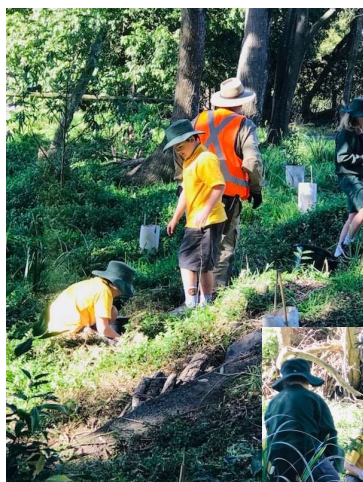


Aussie of the Month

Congratulations Phoenix - you are our July Aussie of the Month! Thanks for being such a cheerful student and a caring friend.

Landcare - planting trees near our local creek.

Last Tuesday, Banksia students were invited to plant over 200 trees near Mill Creek as part of a Landcare initiative - and wow! They absolutely threw themselves into the task! Mr Danvers reported how enthusiastic everyone was and Amy, who organised the event for us, commented on how helpful and friendly the students were. Well done boys and girls!



Curriculum update - from our APCI, Mrs Pass

This term, K-6 are working on building their knowledge of numbers and place value by counting, making and solving number patterns, and working with decimals. Here is some information on how you can help your child at home:

Kids learn the pattern of counting by repeating the numbers. At the beginning, this pattern may have gaps where your child may leave out a number in the sequence, or they may invent numbers. Kids should be given lots of opportunities to practise and explore counting groups of things as well as making groups. As they develop counting skills, they may start to count by 2s, 5s and 10s so that they can count large amounts of objects quickly.

Minute to Win It

'Minute to Win It' is a quick game that helps kids learn to count. It can be played when you have a spare 5 minutes at home. It is suitable for K-6 and can be played by 2 or more players.

1. Pour a bag of pasta (or any household material you have in large amounts) on a flat surface.
2. Set a timer for 1 minute and ask players to collect as much pasta as possible in 1 minute. (1 item at a time).
4. Players then organise their collection to guess how many they have just by looking and thinking. Most of the time, older kids will organise their pasta into groups of 10 and younger kids will organise theirs one-by-one.
5. Players count their collection to double check how many they have. The player with the most pasta wins!



Bottlebrush - Learning about sharks



Great white sharks eat sea turtles as their main source of food. - Thea

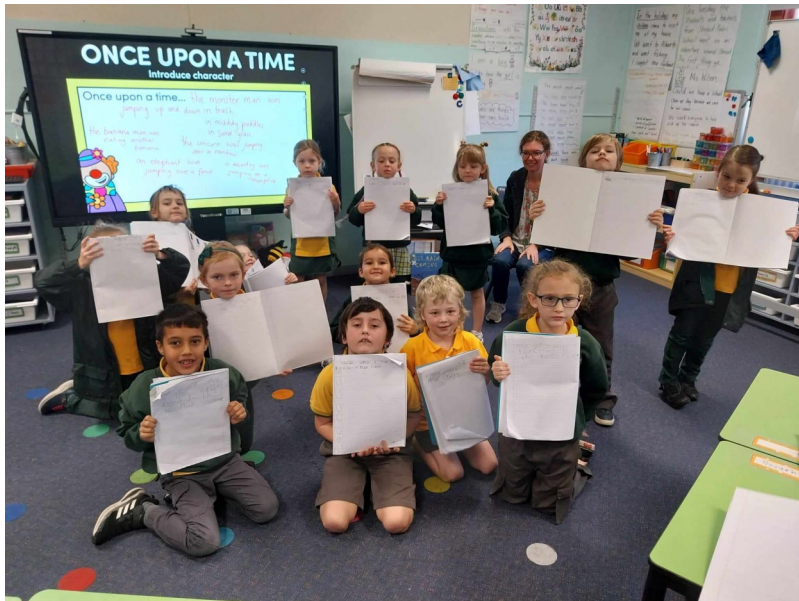
Great white sharks don't want to hurt you . They want to see what you are.—Olivia

Great white sharks can have up to two to ten pups and they do not live in packs.—Elora

Great white sharks don't often eat people, they eat baby seals.—George

Writing in Wattle

The other day I popped into Wattle and I was blown away by their amazing writing! They were writing exciting story starter sentences. Very clever writing boys and girls!



Happy birthday!



Happy birthday to our wonderful cleaner Kim, our super GA Steve, Ruby and Charlotte. We all hope your birthday is very special!

Murrook Cultural Centre

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Everyone had a wonderful time at Murrook last Friday. Students and staff enjoyed all the activities the Murrook leaders led us through. Thanks P & C for subsidising the bus costs for us and thanks parents and carers for supporting our students to learn about the rich culture and traditions of the Worimi people.

