



## Newsletter

### IMPORTANT DATES

- 20/5 Newsletter
- 20/5–24/5 Canberra Excursion
- 3/6 Newsletter
- Student & Community CPR session
- 17/6 Newsletter
- 13/6 Regional Cross Country—Coolah
- 20/6 ASSEMBLY—Week 8
- 20/6 Wood Raffle drawn
- 26/6 Reports home
- TBA Parent Teacher Interviews
- 1/7 Newsletter
- 5/7 NAIDOC Day Somerton



Term 2 Week 4



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Monday 20th May 2024

### Principal's Report

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

I'm delighted to share the exciting news of my appointment as the substantive principal of Attunga Public School. My sincere goal is to uphold and foster a positive, cohesive team environment dedicated to the education and well-being of our students. I eagerly anticipate the journey ahead.

The week before last Friday 10th May, we proudly sent 12 students to participate in the Zone Cross Country event at Barraba, where an impressive 80% of them finished within the top 30. I'm thrilled to announce that two of our students, Logan and April, have advanced to the next level. They will represent our school proudly as part of the Northwest Team in the Regional Cross Country competition, set to take place in Coolah on June 13th.

Currently, our Stage 3 students are embarking on their Canberra Excursion, departing early this morning. Accompanied by Mrs. Pleskun, they'll be providing updates of their adventure on our Facebook page and via mobile to families.

I'd like to express our deepest gratitude to the Attunga P&C and the wider community for your generous support in fundraising efforts, significantly subsidising the participation costs for families. Thanks to your collective contributions, the final cost has been reduced from \$710.00 to \$500.00. We sincerely appreciate your invaluable support. Our next goal is to raise funds for the Great Aussie Bush Camp, scheduled for early August. Currently, we have a wood raffle in progress and a pie drive commencing in June.

Our K-2 class recently enjoyed participating in the Safe Pets program. The students had the opportunity to ask various questions and meet Mrs. Annette's beautiful little dog, Tanika.

As we approach the end of the semester, our staff have begun work on Semester 1 reports, which will be sent home on Week 9, Wednesday 26th June, followed by opportunities for parent-teacher meetings.

With the onset of colder weather, please ensure your child is in full school winter uniform, with names clearly labelled on items. Students may also wear gloves and beanies in navy or maroon. Additionally, please remind students to bring their water bottles and hats as, despite the cooler weather, hydration and sun protection remain important. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

Patricia Sharp  
Relieving Principal  
Attunga Public School

The Attunga School and P&C are organising a

### Wood Raffle

Wood trailer on display at the school!

**\$2 a ticket. \$5 for 3 tickets.**

Tickets are for sale until **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. The raffle draw will be held at the school on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. The winners will be contacted on the day.



## Week 3/4 Happy Snaps

### Week 3

Taylah Stokoe  
Mia Burns-McCulloch  
Alexander Cormie  
Jordyn Cormie  
Jett Regent  
Nate Chaffey  
Thomas Regent  
Leilah Burns-McCulloch  
Sophie McDermott  
Jett Regent  
Will Bulley  
Jennifer-Lee Regent  
Angelica Robinson  
Dorothy Besant  
Roy Bates

**Fantastic Work**

### Week 4 (Pictured)

Taylah Stokoe  
Mia Burns-McCulloch  
Alexander Cormie  
Jordyn Cormie  
Jett Regent  
Nate Chaffey  
Thomas Regent  
Leilah Burns-McCulloch  
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**Congratulations!**



## WINTER UNIFORMS

### GIRLS

Winter tunic, blue long sleeve shirt, tie, navy stockings and black shoes  
OR  
Navy Slacks, blue long sleeve shirt, tie and black shoes

#### WINTER TUNIC

Size 4-6 \$57  
Size 8-10 \$62  
Size 12-18 \$67

#### NAVY SLACKS

Limited sizes \$20

*Extra sizes  
now available*

**WANTED**  
2nd hand items  
for our clothing  
pool

### UNISEX

#### LONG SLEEVE BLUE SHIRT

Limited sizes \$20

#### TIE

\$20

### BOYS

Blue long sleeve shirt, tie, grey long pants and black shoes

### SPORT

#### MICROFIBRE TRACK PANTS

\$26

#### FLEECE TRACK PANTS

\$22

#### APS MICROFIBRE ZIP JACKET

\$36

#### APS V NECK FLEECE JUMPER

\$25

#### APS SPORT SHIRT

\$25



### Toastie Days

Each **Monday** and **Wednesday** at recess the students have the opportunity to have their sandwich toasted.

If your child/children would like to have a toastie, please pack an uncut sandwich, wrap or roll and our Chaplain, Mrs Player will toast these in the sandwich press during recess.



### Hot Milo Day

Each Monday and Wednesday the students have the opportunity to purchase a Hot Milo at lunchtime for \$1.



### Lunch Orders

Each week students have the opportunity to purchase a lunch order. Lunch order forms go home each week with an alternating menu, and are due back to school by 11am Thursday morning. Correct change is most appreciated.



# K-2 NEWS WEEK 4

## LITERACY

We made puppets and then did what happened in the story (Angelica).



## PET SAFETY TALK

We learned how to be safe around dogs. We got to pat the dog (Astyn).



## NUMERACY

We were trying to cover the whole paper with no gaps. We used pentominoes that are shapes made up of 5 squares (Jett).



## STORY TIME

I was classroom helper and got to read *Where Is The Green Sheep?* to the rest of class (Cooper).



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# What Happened last week in the Blue Class

## Week 2 and 3

### Mathematics:

We have just completed our unit on time with a post-assessment, and I am thrilled to share that the students showed some great improvements!

Our new topic is fractions. The students are learning new vocabulary related to fractions and developing a thorough understanding of how fractional numbers relate to whole numbers and how to simplify fractions.

We have also been exploring fraction walls, which are fantastic tools for helping students grasp the concept of equivalent fractions.



### Premiers Spelling Bee:

The Blue class will be participating in the Premier's Spelling Bee this term. As part of the preparation, most students have received a list of words with Week 3's homework. These words are intended for practice to help them get ready for the school-level competition in Week 6.

We encourage you to support your children in practicing these words at home. Regular practice will help them feel more confident and prepared for the competition.

### English:

We have been exploring the structure of complex sentences, focusing on the various components that make them more engaging, such as the subject and different types of clauses.

We discovered what multimodal texts are and the various structures they can take. Multimodal texts use a combination of written language, images, and other modes to convey meaning.

As part of our writing, we have started drafting their own hybrid texts about kangaroos that live in and around Kati Thanda-Lake Eyre. We plan to publish these texts and display them in the classroom, so everyone can enjoy and learn from their work.

In our ongoing grammar lessons, we have continued to focus on sentence structure, particularly adverbial phrases and clauses. These are groups of two or more words that function together like an adverb, providing additional detail to a verb, adjective, or another adverb in a sentence. The students have been practicing how to identify and use adverbial phrases and clauses to enhance their writing, making their sentences more descriptive and interesting.

In other English lessons, we have continued to improve our handwriting and digital technology skills. We are focusing on correctly forming punctuation marks and ensuring proper posture while typing.

### Future Spelling Focus:

Week 4 Spelling focus

Short vowel phoneme: /o/ as in cot [o, a, au].

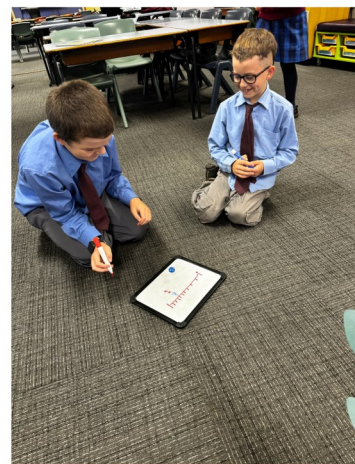
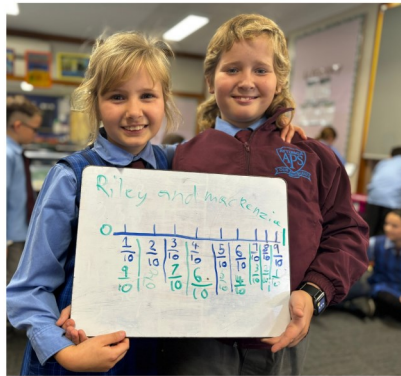
Week 5 Spelling focus

Grapheme [ai] representing /ay/, /a/, /e/, /schwa/.



## Blue Class

# Week Two and Three Blue Class







# Library News



On Wednesday all students will be participating in the National Simultaneous Storytime reading of "Bowerbird Blues". Following the reading, we will be doing some "Bowerbird" themed activities and crafts.

Mrs Stacey

Librarian



## Book Club



# Scholastic Book Club



*Scholastic Book Club Issue 3 orders close this Wednesday!*

*Mrs Stacey  
Librarian*





# CURRABUBULA SMALL SCHOOLS ART SHOW

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
PLACEGETTERS:-

HAYDEN, OWEN, JETT, ASTYN,  
MILA & ROY!

WE WERE AWARDED  
CHAMPION SCHOOL AND  
WILL RECEIEVE \$200  
TOWARDS OUR ART  
PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES!

**GREAT  
JOB!**



## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

**1** day per fortnight



= **4** weeks

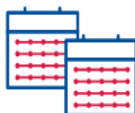


= Over **1** year missed

**1** day per week



= **8** weeks



= Over **2.5** years missed

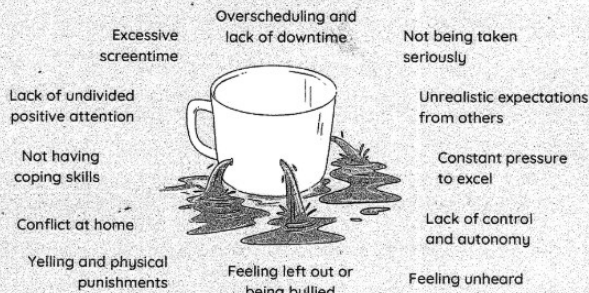
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# Big Life Journal

## Hidden Things That Drain Your Child's Emotional Cup: ✦

### What drains your child's emotional cup:



### What fills up your child's emotional cup:



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CHAT with

Mrs Player

Parents and students are welcome to come and chat and have a confidential space and a listening ear.

Mrs Player will be available this Wednesday after 1:45pm for anyone wishing to chat.

**Good for kids**  
good for life



### Screen Free Week

Spending time on screens can be an obstacle for kids who need more active and creative outlets for development.

Get involved in the global event during the first week of May and step away from screens for recreation.

Anyone can take part! Choose what screens you could turn off for your family and set a goal to achieve i.e. turn it off for 1 hour, a day or the whole week.

During this time, you could try some other activities like:

- Getting outside and being active
- Riding your bike
- Dancing
- Playing outdoor games
- Going for a walk



Source: Screen Free Week ([www.screenfree.org](http://www.screenfree.org))

Developed by Hunter New England LHD



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<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>



Good for Kids acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.



**All Auslan!**  
**All for Kids!**



A great way to practice Auslan at home with your family.

**Weekly episodes!**



Head to YouTube!



**Auslan learning, signing songs, interviews and Deaf guests!**



Auslan Time with Geo



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	TOASTIES		TOASTIES & HOT MILO SPORTS UNIFORM LIBRARY	Lunch Orders due to front office	LUNCH ORDERS SCRIPTURE HOMEWORK DUE SPORTS UNIFORM SPORT
1	29/4 SDD	30/4 Students Return	1/5	2/5	3/5
2	6/5 Newsletter	7/5	8/5	9/5	10/5 Zone Cross Country
3	13/5	14/5	15/5	16/5 Assembly	17/5
	20/5 Canberra Excursion  Newsletter	21/5 Canberra Excursion	22/5 Canberra Excursion National Simultaneous Story telling day 12pm	23/5 Canberra Excursion	24/5 Canberra Excursion
5	27/5	28/5	29/5	30/5	31/5
6	3/6 Newsletter	4/6	5/6	6/6	7/6
7	10/6	11/6	12/6	13/6 Regional Cross Country - Coolah	14/6 Students & Community CPR
8	17/6 Newsletter	18/6	19/6	20/6 Assembly	21/6
9	24/6	25/6	26/6 Reports home	27/6	28/6
10	1/7	2/7	3/7	4/7	5/7 NAIDOC Day SPC

## NOTES

