NANGWARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 3 Term 2

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mental Health Practioner

We have been extremely fortunate to have been allocated a mental health practioner. Alex Miles will be working with a number of schools and will be supporting our staff and students 1 day a week. At this early stage Alex is getting to know our students, staff and school context. We foresee in the near future a number of programs running in classrooms and also specialised initiatives for both boys and girls to help develop key tools which will assist them operate at school and beyond school hours. If you are at school and see Alex around, please feel free to introduce yourself. Alex would love to get to know our families.

Year 6 to High School

We have recently sent information home to students whom are in year 6. Our high schools work closely with all government primary schools to support their students to transition successfully. If you are undecided as a family where your young person will be attending high school please make a time with your local government high school to see how they can support them and what programs will offered throughout their high school years.

Attendance - Some fun facts!

The amount of school attended every year by a child can have a correlation to how well they achieve. If you need support getting you child to school please speak with you young persons classroom teacher.

- Attendance of 95% for the year equals 10 days that your child has been absent, that is 2 full school weeks of your child's learning missed for that year.
- Attendance of 90% for the year equals 19 days that your child has been absent, **that is almost 4 school weeks missed.**
- Attendance of 85% for the year equals 29 days that your child has been absent per, **that is almost 6 school weeks missed.**
- Attendance of 80% for the year equals 38 days absent per year that is over 7 school weeks missed.

IMPORTANT DATES

Week 3

Tuesday 16th May Governing Council 3.30PM

Friday 19th May Pupil Free Day

Week 4

Wednesday 24th National Story Time

Week 5

Friday 2 June Hot Dog Day

Week 6

Tuesday June 6th School Photo's

Week 10

Friday 7th July Last Day of Term and Early Dismissel 2:15PM

2023 TERM DATES

Term 1 30th January to 14th April

Term 2 1st May to 7th July

Term 3 24th July to 29th September

Term 4 16th October to 15th December



UPPER PRIMARY

NUMERACY



Patterns & Algebra

Upper Primary have begun this Term looking at Patterns and Algebra in Maths. The intended learning for this topic, allows students to develop their algebraic thinking through patterns by generalising patterns and using the operations to solve problems. So far, the students have undertaken a prior knowledge lesson and some explicit teaching around what a term is, an element, growing patterns, linear patterns and repeating patterns.

I have encouraged students to explore and identify patterns in the real world.

"Every day we're patterning!".

Mrs Illman





























JUNIOR PRIMARY

LITERACY



The Junior Primary students spent some time in week 1 learning about Anzac Day, together we read the book Anzac Ted and had a long discussion about the wars, why soldiers went and the things they endured.

We then discussed why soldiers might have taken a keepsake like the Anzac Ted bear. Later in the week Mrs Mitchell took the students through a guided drawing to create their own Anzac Ted drawings. Here is the finished products.

















LEST WE FORGET





SPECIALISED SUBJECTS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY



Science and Technology

We have had a great start to Term 2 in the Science and Technology classroom. Our focus for Science this term is Chemical Science – Matter and Materials. Technology lessons will be closely aligned to our material topic in the Junior classroom, with the Upper Primary investigating gravity and forces.

The Junior Primary have commenced work under the theme "Bent out of Shape." They have been engaged in manipulating different materials into different forms. Last week, the students observed physical changes to materials by making playdough, we also discussed the effect heating and cooling has on materials to change their state.

During Technology lessons we have looked at sculptures around the world and the materials they are made from. We took a school tour and recorded different objects outside, then discussed the materials used to create them.

The Upper Primary have been investigating properties of materials and categorising materials into groups. They have been exposed to unfamiliar words such as: transparent, translucent, opaque and rigid to deepen their vocabulary and understanding.

A focus for technology has been gravity and forces. The students observed a clip "Dancing on the ceiling" and made predictions of how could this be possible. The class contributed well to an in-depth discussion of the reasons why this couldn't occur using deeper thinking strategies. We then observed the scenes behind making the clip and they could identify the technology used using a revolving room and camera work. The class were extremely engaged with great conversations spoken.

It has been a great start back to Term 2 and the continue to be enthusiastic learners!

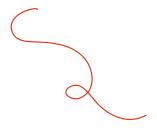












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PRESCHOOL



These first few weeks has seen us explore the wonderful story called "Dear Zoo" as part of our Pre-Literacy program. For this, we have been learning about words of animals, in sentences and how we can find them in books, on whiteboards when they are written and discerning what a word is by counting the words in short sentences.

Our Three-Year-Old Program has kicked off with our little youngsters discovering our daily routines to understand what kinds of things we do here at Nangwarry Preschool, including transition periods, share times, play times, meal times and different types of literacy and numeracy learning throughout these times.

For Kimochi's Way, we have looked at the characters "Bug", "Cloud" and "Huggtopus" who each hold three Kimochis (feelings). Cloud felt mad, sad and happy, which taught us that "It's ok to be mad, but it's not ok to be mean". Huggtopus felt silly, frustrated and sorry, which taught us "For silly to be fun, it has to be fun for everyone".

For Mother's Day, we made our own cards while practicing to write the word "Happy" and our names and drawing a love-heart shape to paint. Then we made some yummy shortbread biscuits as our gifts.







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PLAYGROUP

LEARNING TOGETHER





At Playgroup we have enjoyed making constructions with the big and little Waffle Blocks, making cards for our Mums and creating our own art in the lead up to Mother's Day.

Children develop their identity through their relationships and connections with family and community.

If you have a child under 5, you are welcome to come along to Playgroup. Monday mornings from 9-11am in the Preschool room Bring a hat and a drink (snack provided)

See you there!









SCHOOL NEWS CROSS COUNTRY



On Thursday May the 4th , Nangwarry Primary School held their interschool cross country carnival.

With perfect weather conditions, our annual Interhouse Cross Country Carnival was a wonderful day for students and staff to enjoy the outdoors as they competed in trail set around the pines ranging from 500m to 3000m, 5 year old's ran 500m, 6 year old's 750m, 7 Year old's 1km, 8 and 9 Year olds 1.5km, 10 year old's 2km and 11 & 12 years old ran 3km.

Congratulations to all the students who participated.

We would like to say a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this day a success.







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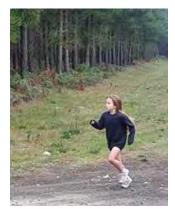














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Term 2 Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK 1	1 MAY	2	3	4	5	6	7
WEEK 2	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
WEEK 3	15	16	17	18	19 PUPILFREE DAY	20	21
WEEK 4	22	23	24	25	26 PRESCHOOL DAY	27	28
WEEK 5	29	30	.31	1 JUNE	2 HOTDOG DAY	3	4
WEEK 6	5	6 SCHOOL PHOTO'S	7	8	9 PRESCHOOL DAY	10	11
WEEK 7	12 Public Holiday	13 GOVERNING COUNCIL	14	15	16	17	18
WEEK 8	19	20	21	22	23 PRESCHOOL DAY	24	25
WEEK 9	26	27	28	29	30	1 JULY	2
WEEK 10	3	4	5	6	7 PRESCHOOL DAY PJ DAY EARLY DISMISSEL 2.15PM	8	9