



# UPDATE

25th July 2024



## Next Weeks Events

Monday—

Tuesday— Gr 5/6 Hooptime—selected Students

Wednesday— Gr 3/4 Camp

Thursday— Gr 3/4 Camp

Friday— Gr 3/4 Camp

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### July 2024

25th—Gr 3/4 Hooptime—selected students

26th—Gr 5/6 Winter Sport Vs IGS

30th—Gr 5/6 Hooptime— selected students

31st— 2nd- Gr 3/4 Camp

### August 2024

7th— 100 Days of Foundation

16th— **Curriculum Day—No students at school**

19th— Book Week

23rd— Book Week parade

## Assembly tomorrow will be at 2.50 pm

If you are requiring to pick up your child early on a Friday you need to do so 5 minutes before assembly starts.

We will not be interrupting assembly to retrieve children.

## 2025 Foundation enrolments for Siblings

If you have a child in 4 year old kinder and needing to enrol in Foundation for 2025, you need to have the forms back to the school office by **3.30pm Friday 26th July** to guarantee placement.

After this date, all unfilled places will be offered to out of zone applications.

Thank you to the families who have already returned forms.

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## 2024 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey

**WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!**

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 30 August 2024**.

All families are invited to participate in the survey. We need to get a survey return of at least 40 families to make the data useful.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

More information and the link to the survey will come home via Sentral on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July.

Last year we used the survey results to support our future planning.

Please contact the office if you would like more information.

# Weekly Awards

## **Student of the Week Awards will be presented to:**

**Tucker Parker** for always being ready to learn and to share his knowledge with the class.

**Ryder Thomson** for making sure his writing achieved all of our success criteria. Brilliant job, Ryder!

**Waris Chhina** for bouncing back quickly and following teacher instructions, sensational work Waris!

**Eli Barella** for sharing his belongings with his peers and including others in his games. Amazing kindness Eli!

**Ezra Armitage**—Amazing writing this week Ezra, you worked so hard to find the sounds that you can hear in the words you wanted to write. Keep it up!

**Taihlar Walsh** for stepping into your new captaincy role with so much pride and enthusiasm! You're doing a wonderful job already!

**Ellie Kreso**—Ellie, congratulations for always putting in your best efforts and taking risks with your learning. You have been very engaged in maths and your efforts have not gone unnoticed!

**Shareef Mansour** for your fantastic attendance this week Shareef, very well done. Keep it up!

**Jimmy Ridgeway** for continuing to build his learning stamina and beginning to willingly extend his learning. Well done Jimmy!

## **Values Awards will be presented to:**

**Isabelle Shaw** for showing respect for others for others and joining in with the cheering on the new JSC representatives.

**Jenna Maskell**—Well done Jenna for being such a kind member of our class and always celebrating the success and achievements of others. You have so much empathy and kindness and it rubs off on other people. Super job!

**Olivia Zerafa** for always supporting others and celebrating their efforts. Thanks, Olivia!

**Ava Abela** for showing resilience this week and really trying to cheer on your friends in the gaga pit even though you felt sad to be out. Keep it up Ava!

**Billie Barrueto** for being happy for her friends when they achieve new things. Excellent display of kindness Billie!

**Lydiah Stokes** for celebrating achievements of others and for being a supportive and caring classmate!

**Ava Ryan Kennedy** for always being supportive and encouraging of her classmates. Amazing job, Ava!

**Juliet Williams** for consistently showing respect and resilience by politely congratulating others on their achievements. Thank you, Juliet.

**Marija Zmejkoska** for showing amazing support and kindness to her fellow students by congratulating them on their leadership roles. Thank you Marija!

## **Students Choice Awards will be presented to:**

**Charley Anderson** for being kind to people in the yard.

**Luc Elmaz** for being persistent in cricket.

# Principal's Report

There's lots happening at UPPS!

Today some of our students in grades 3 and 4 are going to Diamond Valley to participate in Hooptime basketball. We all hope they have a wonderful day! Thank you to our family members who have gone along to help out and cheer them on!

Next week, on Tuesday, some of our 5/6 students will have their chance to show off their skills.

On Friday we have a 'catch up' day of interschool sport against Ivanhoe Grammar. We are all very excited as this particular round of sport has been 'rained out' several times already. Go UPPS!!!

This week staff have analysed some of our NAPLAN results, looking for strengths and weaknesses so we can make adjustments to our learning program.

Our 3/4 students are travelling 'back in time' next week as we head to the goldfields of Ballarat for our camp at Sovereign Hill. We will spend our time there learning about the history of the gold mining era. We may even find a giant gold nugget!!!!

Next Monday I will be attending the Principal conference with Belinda, and a highlight will be our presentation on the way we present learning at UPPS. We will be sharing our research and work on strengthening the cognitive pathways of our students and the teaching methods we employ to do this - we feel very privileged to have been chosen to do this and have the opportunity to share all of the wonderful work that is happening in our school.

Social media continues to be an issue of concern for our young people. Please talk to your children about what they are doing online and provide supervision and support.

Please be kind!  
Sue

## **Principal's Awards will be presented to:**

**Quinn Denholm** for the responsibility you have shown this term, both in the classroom and in the playground. Your positive attitude and willingness to help others has been wonderful. Top stuff Quinn!

**Patrick Hannagan** for being responsible on the bus by looking after another student who was unwell and for the kindness and care you displayed. Thank you Patrick!

## Art Room—Donations needed

For term 3, the art room is in need of a few items:

Newspapers

Clean cardboard tubes—but **not** toilet rolls—due to hygiene reasons



If you have these items please leave them at the office. Thanks



## Parents using the staff carpark

The car park in the school grounds is for staff, deliveries, picking up sick children and visitors to the school.

We ask that all parents use the Shack car park for pickup and drop off. **Unless you have asked the office for permission, no parent should be using the staff car park unless you are picking up an ill child.**

Please make sure that all adults dropping off or picking up your children are aware that the staff car park is not to be used. **No student should be walking through the staff car park without an adult.**

Parking on the side of Clarkes road is illegal and sign posted as such.

If you have exceptional circumstances and require the use of the staff car park please contact the office so we can arrange it.

Parents using the OOSH/Care can use the staff car park before and after school hours.

Supervision of students starts at 8.45am and students should not be dropped at school prior to this. If you require your child to be at school prior to this time, you may need to use the YMCA Before School care program.

Thank you.

# School-wide Positive Behaviour



## This Week's SWPBS Value: Resilience

What is resilience? Resilience is the ability to bounce back from challenges and setbacks. One important part of resilience is politely celebrating others' achievements.

Why should we celebrate others' achievements? When we recognise and celebrate what others have accomplished, it creates a positive and supportive environment. It shows that we are happy for their success and can share in their joy. Think about how it feels when someone congratulates you on a job well done. It feels great, right? That's why it's important to do the same for others.

Here are some ways we can politely celebrate others' achievements:

**Give compliments:** A simple "Great job!" can mean a lot.

**Share in their excitement:** Show interest and enthusiasm when someone shares their success.

**Acknowledge efforts:** Recognise hard work and dedication.

Students discussed how they can politely celebrate others' achievements and the positive impact it has on our school community. Let's all strive to be resilient and supportive, making our school a place where everyone's successes are celebrated.

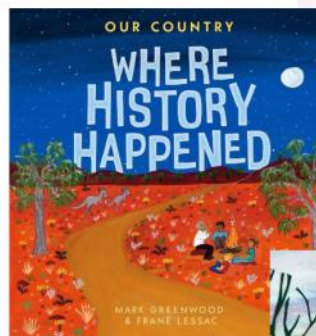
## Children's Book Week 2024

It's nearly that time...Children's Book Week! We will be celebrating this special event from Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of August. During the week, classes will be reading some of the books shortlisted for the Book of the Year award. It's always wonderful to explore texts that celebrate and share our diverse Australian culture. This year's theme is 'Reading is Magic'. Books have the amazing power to transport us to faraway places, new worlds, and other people's shoes. They have the power to ignite our imagination and tug on our heartstrings. That's the magic of a great book!

On Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, we will hold our annual dress up day to celebrate our favourite books. We will have a parade around the basketball court before assembly to show off our wonderful costumes. Please bring a gold coin donation to help raise money for books for the school.

Our JSCs will help award certificates for the most creative costumes- we can't wait to see where everyone's imaginations take them!

Until then, happy reading!



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## Window into 1/2B!

We are so happy to be back at school learning for Term 3!

In math, we are completing some great work involving 'shape'. So far, we have learnt interesting words such as; polygon, quadrilateral and parallelogram. We are thoroughly enjoying 2D shapes, and cannot wait to get stuck into 3D shapes!



During literacy, we are diving into 'astronomy'. We have already learned so many incredible facts and cannot believe how vast outer space truly is! We are eager to continue for the next couple of weeks before we begin our new topic.

This week, we also chose our new JSC for Semester 2! Everyone that went up had incredible speeches, spoke confidently and displayed great resilience. Big congratulations to Samuel and Oakley for acquiring the role for 1/2B!



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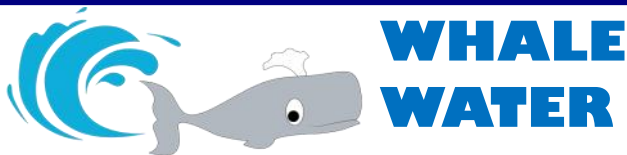
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