

The Dunkley Herald



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Term 1 Week 7, 2023

Kaayi MHPS,

Just when we thought summer was over, Week 7 is forecast to deliver two very hot days! Students will cool down with a free icy pole today. Year 6 students will begin their 2023 fundraising with the 'Juicy Tuesday' frozen orange quarters sale – only 50c for 2 quarters. What a wonderful way to cool down!

The school grounds look fresh after our school-based Clean Up Australia Day on Friday. Miss Fitzsimmons has been attending professional learning in preparation for leading a wonderful NSW Department of Education initiative called WRAP (Waste Reduction Action Plan), which is a sustainability pilot program designed to identify and separate litter, and reduce the waste going to landfill. We can't wait to see how we can modify what we do to support the environment.

It has been wonderful to see so many of our families connecting to Seesaw. Staff have begun to upload photos and work into learning journals for parents and carers to see. Students will be taught how to upload their own work and respond to tasks set on the platform. If you haven't joined us yet and need another copy of the permission note, please contact the office. Once it is received, we will send you the details you need to log in and follow your child/ren's journal.

We would like to say a huge congratulations to Austin in Year 5. He has made it through to the Top 15 students so far for PSSA Basketball, which is an amazing achievement given that he has been competing against students in Year 6 as well.

We are looking forward to the Cross Country event at school this Thursday from 9.10am. We hope you can join us. There have been a number of students each week who have not had their school hat on sports day. We ask parents and carers to check that their child/ren have their hat on sports day to support us to keep them sun safe.

In 2023, NAPLAN assessments will take place earlier in the year. Students in Years 3 & 5 will complete a practice test this week, and then the NAPLAN window for our school to conduct the actual assessments will be from 15-27 March.

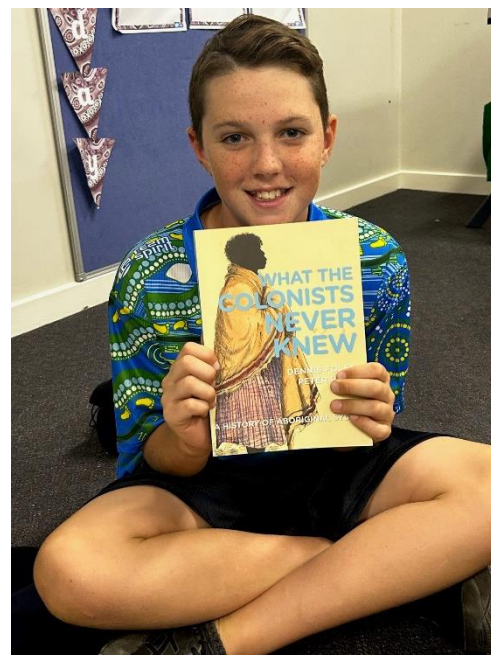
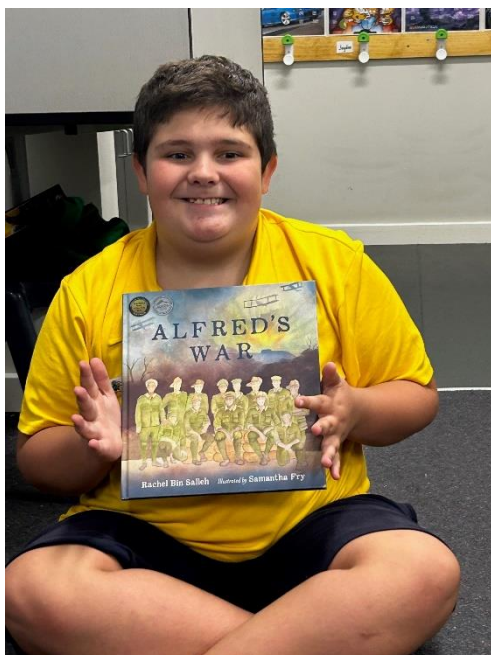
Students in our Junior AECG met for the first time in 2023 last week. Congratulations to Baden and Charlie for being elected into leadership positions for this group. The role of the Junior AECG is to ensure Aboriginal Cultures are represented and embedded throughout the school environment and curriculum; to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through real and active participation in school decision-making; and to provide a platform for Aboriginal student voice.

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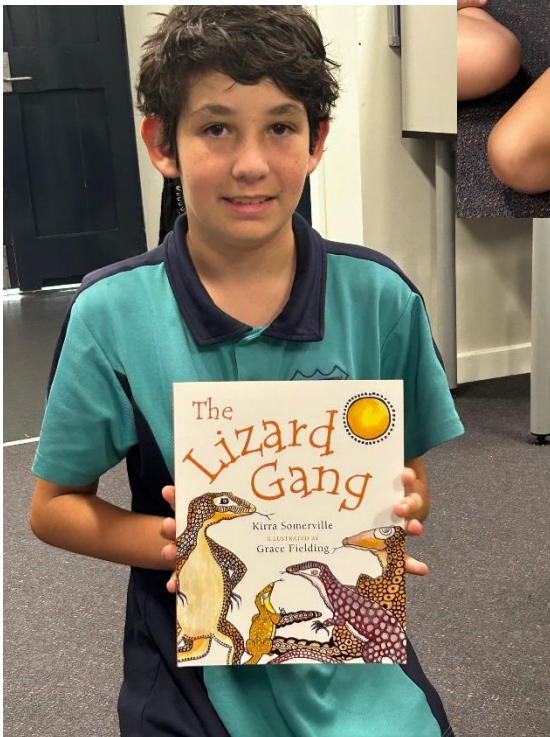
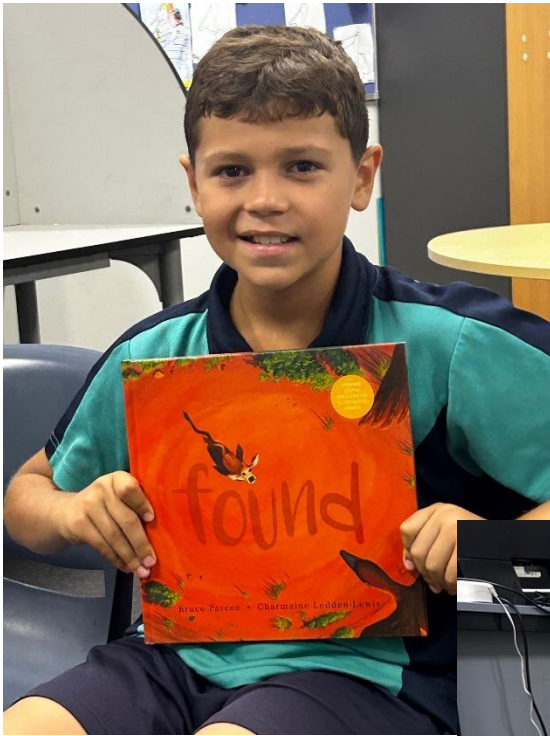
Members of the Junior AECG explored the new resources we have purchased to support the embedding of Aboriginal perspectives across the school. These include a range of puppets, toys, puzzles, games and story dice, along with a large selection of fiction and non-fiction books. Students are keen to plant a bush tucker garden and to visit classrooms to share the books with their peers.

Kind regards,

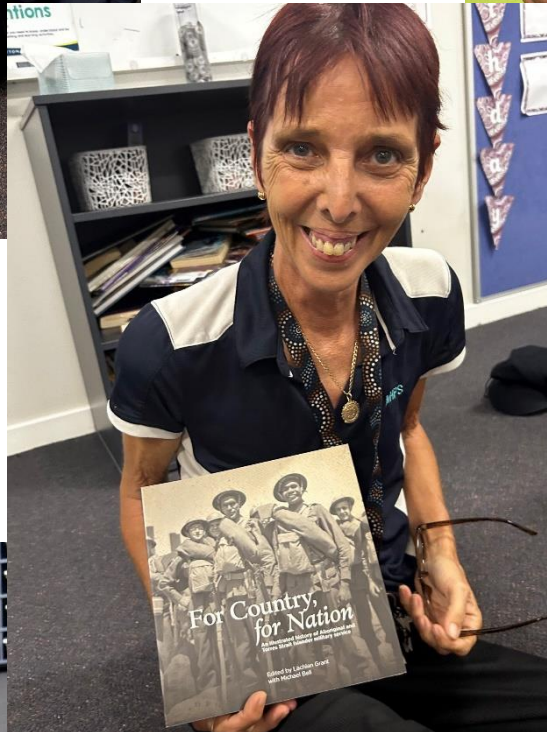
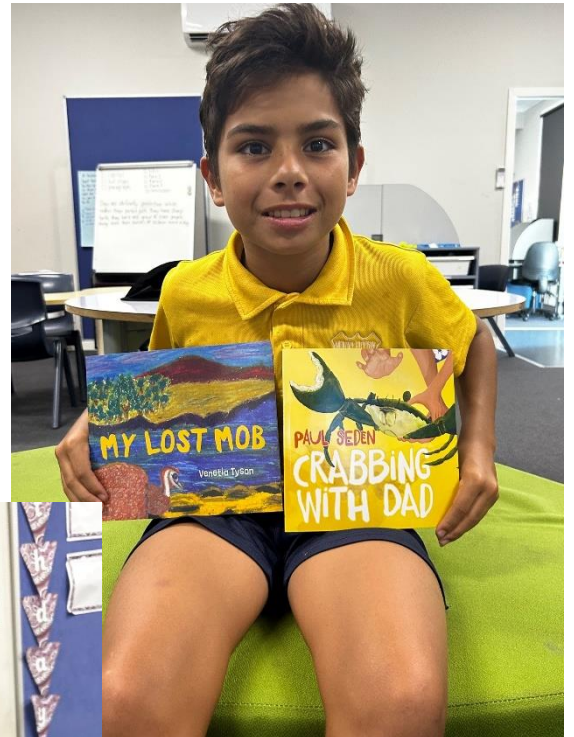
Ms Hook
Principal



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What's Coming Up

Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7	March 6	March 7	March 8	March 9	March 10
	Assembly 6 Magenta Swimming Ribbons 1:05 pm Meet the Teacher	Juicy Tuesday	NAPLAN Practice Day	School Cross Country Event Healthy Harold notes and money due	Hunter PSSA AFL Trials
Week 8	March 13	March 14	March 15	March 16	March 17
	Healthy Harold	Healthy Harold Hunter PSSA Swimming Carnival	NAPLAN Window Healthy Harold	NAPLAN Window	NAPLAN Window School Photos
Week 9	March 20	March 21	March 22	March 23	March 24
	NAPLAN Window Assembly 4/5 Black 1:05 pm	NAPLAN Window Harmony Day	NAPLAN Window Kindy Family Play Session 2:55 pm	NAPLAN Window	NAPLAN Window
Week 10	March 27	March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31
	NAPLAN Window Cross Country back-up date	STEM at Floraville Stage 3			Hunter PSSA Hockey Trials
Week 11	April 3	April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7
	Assembly 3/4 Red 1:05 pm				Good Friday School Holidays Start
Term 2					
Week 1	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28
	Staff Development Day	ANZAC Day	Students return for Term 2		Trivia Night (Sat 29 April)
Week 2	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
				Selective High School Placement Test	Zone Cross Country
Week 3	May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12
	Assembly 1/2 Green 1:05 pm			Hunter PSSA Soccer Trials – boys Hunter PSSA Netball Trials	

Meet the Teacher Afternoon

Please join us in
your child's
classroom.
We look forward
to seeing you!

Monday
6 March



Session Times

3.05 - 3.30 pm

K Blue and K Orange
6 Magenta

3.35 - 4.00 pm

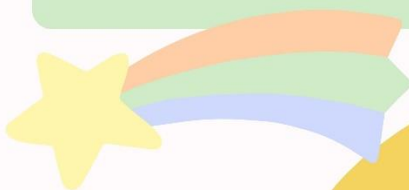
1/2 Green and 1/2 Purple

4.05 - 4.30 pm

3/4 Red

4.35 - 5.00 pm

4/5 Black



Supported Playgroup

FREE

For kids under school age and their parent/carer. Come along for craft, games, music and stories.



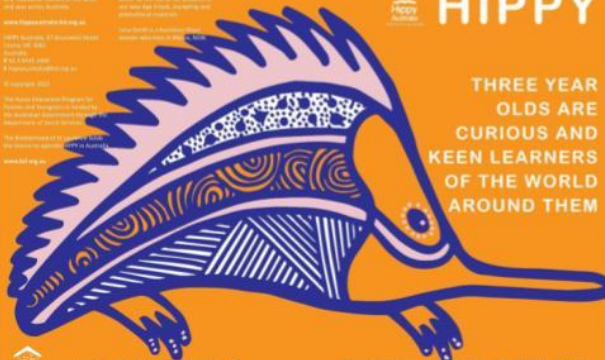
Where: Milabah SaCC –
Windale Public School

When: Wednesdays 9.30 – 11.30am
(during school terms)

Help your kids to learn through play!

Allison - 0428 166 119

HIPPY is a free two-year, play-based curriculum of fun activity packs. It is designed to help parents practice activities with their child using role play in home visits. Each pack has activities for you to do with your child and ideas so that learning can happen anywhere at any time. HIPPY assists children to become curious learners and to achieve important developmental milestones.



HIPPY

THREE YEAR OLDS ARE CURIOUS AND KEEN LEARNERS OF THE WORLD AROUND THEM

YOUR HIPPY COORDINATOR IS:
COURTNEY TINDELL 0483 291 944
hippy@jobquest.org.au

JOIN THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES DOING HIPPY ACROSS AUSTRALIA

- Play-based activities**
- Empowers you to be your child's first teacher**
- Supports your child's transition to school**
- Supports development, community connection and confidence**

OUR PROGRAM



HIPPY is a free two-year, play based curriculum of fun activity packs.

Starting when your child turns three, your HIPPY Tutor will practice the activities with you using role play in home visits.

Each pack has activities for you to do with your child and ideas so that learning can happen anywhere at any time.

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HIPPY TUTORS

HIPPY Tutors are parents who have also done HIPPY with their own child. They are then trained in the activities, ready to practice them with you.

This peer-to-peer learning supports a safe and nurturing learning space for parents.

GROUP GATHERINGS

Group Gatherings give parents a chance to learn more about their children's development and behaviour, and to find out about local services, schools, and free local activities.

You'll meet new families and make friends. There is usually good food and coffee, and you can relax and chat while your children play supervised with other HIPPY children.



Hippy

Eastlakes



JobQuest

HIPPY Eastlakes covers the suburbs of Belmont North, Belmont, Charlestown, Charlestown South, Tingira Heights, Mt Hutton, Gateshead & Windale

"The first three years of life are critical for building children's brains"

Good for kids

good for life



WOW (Walk/wheel once a week)

Active travel can improve children's independence, confidence, road and personal safety skills, as well as general health and wellbeing.

If possible, plan to walk or wheel once a week to school. However, we understand that not everybody is able to walk or ride the whole way, so why not try parking a little further away and walking a block or two to school.

Not only does this get your children physically active, but parents/carers get some extra steps too!

To find out more visit:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/heal/schools/Documents/crunch-and-sip/Walk-and-wheelOnceaWeek.pdf>



HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
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Developed by Hunter New England LHD



Become a foster carer

There are more than 50,000 children in Australia who are in need of a loving home. Who need to feel connected. Who need to feel safe. Who need you.

Whether you are giving a child a long-term home, or stepping in to help in a crisis, being a foster carer is a hugely rewarding experience.

You are **STRONG**, you are **BRAVE**, you are **READY!**

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CHALLENGE
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