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TERM 3 WEEK 2 2018

Busy Term 3

The first couple of weeks of the term will be very busy. This week we have our STEM project launch at Pallamallawa PS. Next week students will take part in the Eisteddfod in Goondiwindi, split by an author visit at Pallamallawa PS. Following that we will be holding our own STEM project day for the students of our school, Gravesend and Pally schools.

Permission notes for a number of events have been included in this week's newsletter. As always, we appreciate the prompt return of notes and remind anyone that may worry about not returning notes in time, that while they are necessary for excursions, as a small school we are able to contact parents if notes haven't been returned. Verbal permission is acceptable and the note is needed to be retained for record keeping purposes.

Heferen Shield

Good luck to our three nominees for the Heferen Shield on Friday. Oliver, Marshall and Dominic have all been chosen to represent the school in shot put. We hope they perform as well as they can on Friday. Commiserations to Riley who also threw further than the qualifying distance in shot out, but was unable to be chosen as we are only able to send two nominations. You should be proud of yourself regardless, Riley.

ICAS Results

Following ICAS results from last term in Science and Digital Technologies, we have this week received results in Spelling. Oliver has received a Distinction in Spelling, while Millie was awarded a Merit. Well done to these two super spellers and to all the students who took part.

Assembly

We will have an assembly this Thursday morning to hand out our Class Dojo awards from last term and the ICAS awards as well.

Archibull Prize

Late last term we had a visit from our Young Farming Champion, Emma Turner, who provided a lot of interesting information about the wool industry. Don't forget to visit our project blog <https://moreesimalschoolsarchibull2018.wordpress.com> for more information about the progress of this project.

CROPPA CREEK P.S. CALENDAR

(See the website for more details)

Term 3, Week 2

Tues 31 July – ICAS English

Wed 1 Aug – STEM Launch Day @ Pallamallawa

Fri 3 Aug – Heferen Shield Athletics Carnival, Moree

Term 3, Week 3 - Goondiwindi Eisteddfod Week & NSW Education Week – see permission notes please

Tues 7 Aug – Author Visit @ Pallamallawa Public

Term 3, Week 4

Tues 14 Aug – ICAS Mathematics

Term 3, Week 5 – Book Week

Tues 21 Aug – Jump Rope for Heart @ Tullooona Public

Thurs 23 Aug – Book Fair

STEMShare Pilot

We have been fortunate in being part of a trial for the Department of Education's STEMShare project, that will see STEM boxes shared across schools each term. We have been sent two large boxes full of robotics that we will be testing out this term. We are hoping to use these at our STEM Day in week 4.





Homework

This term students in Years 3 – 6 will be taking home a new aspect of their homework. They will be given a weekly quiz on current affairs, both Australian and international. While students may research online, this is not the only way this homework can be undertaken. If you have any concerns we your child doing this task successfully please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,
Michael Sky
Principal

Sound Waves

The phoneme for this week is:

	
p pp	r robot
 pig	rr carrot
 slipper	wr wrist
	rh rhythm
	rrh arrhythmic

P & C News

Canteen

Homemade beef pies with potato bake	\$4.00
Popper	\$1.00



Home Readers and Homework

Home readers to be returned every day.

Homework to be returned on Wednesdays.

Library books to be returned on Fridays.



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Library

Help Wanted!

Mrs Fordham is looking for a parent or parents to volunteer some time to help out in the library.

Some things to do are catching up with processing new books. If you can help please contact Karen



BOOK FAIR 2018

To Book Fair and Beyond



Come and join the students and staff at Croppa Creek School

On Thursday 23rd August at 9-15 am

for our annual Book Fair Parade.

Parents and Pre-schoolers welcome to dress up as well.

DRESS AS A CHARACTER FROM YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK.
THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED PRE-SCHOOLER,
SCHOOL STUDENT AND ADULT.

JUDGING OF THE COLOURING COMP

GUESS HOW MANY BOOK WORMS

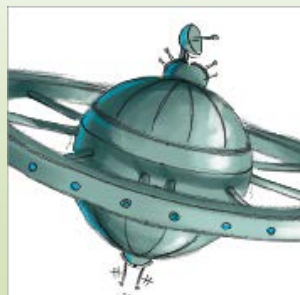
GROUP READING

The library will be open before, during and after school on this day if you are interested in having a look. The library will be decorated in a space theme.

Last year we did a major stock take and had to remove a lot of damaged, old or out of date books.

So at this year's Book Fair we will have a table in the library set up with books that you may like to buy and donate to the school.

If you do so your name will be placed inside the front cover as a thank you. Hope you can support our school library.



From the Classroom



One afternoon while whale watching I saw...

a large humpback whale diving up and down like a duck in a pond. It had a small calf beside it that looked smooth and soft. They breached out of the salty rough water and they flapped their tails making the water splash all over the big rusty boat. Then a white albino whale came up from the water below like a rushing flood it sounded like a helicopter. The way it splashed in the water is like a bird flying high in the sky, then he goes around Australia . Then goes back to his home but then suddenly spirts out water of his hole. His mouth opens like a big lion but way bigger.

By Dominic

an albino Humpback whale gliding elegantly through the still, blue, salty water. Beside the huge mother whale was a small albino calf swimming slowly next to her The water was sparkly, clear and icy. The whales were migrating to the warmer waters of the South Pacific Ocean. When the humpback whales were diving down in the search for krill, their tails splashed up into the cold, icy air. The pair of albino whales were speaking to the rest of the pod to find out where they were. The mother whale spurted cold, salty water from her blowhole like a broken pipe. The boat was rocking from the power of the white whales tail propelling them along. By Millie

a great big blue whale rising up from the clear wavy water. Surrounding the huge whale was more giant blue whales that were approaching to the surface to breathe through their blowholes. The travelling pod were migrating North to the warmer and smoother waters of the South Pacific Oceans. So the females could have their babies. By Katie

a grey whale was swimming slowly in the rough, clear ocean. The gigantic whale jumped high out of the water and its huge tail splashed the water with a BIG BANG!

By Jack



Brain Teaser

The answer to last term's brain teaser was: *I'm the number One (1) – add the letter 'g' and I'm 'gone'.*

Students will write their answer with their name on a piece of paper, and the first correct answer pulled out of the hat will get the dojo point.

This week's brain teaser:

You usually can't hold me for more than a few seconds. What am I?

In reading groups Katie and Shyan have been learning about making wanted posters.



STEM Project Days and Locations

This information is to let you know when and where Croppa Creek students will be during each STEM Project Day. Further information will be sent home prior to the next STEM event.

Wednesday 1 August	STEM Launch Day	Host: Pallamallawa Public School
Tuesday 14 August	STEM / Market PBL Day	Host: Croppa Creek Public School
Tuesday 28 August	STEM Day	Host: Pallamallawa Public School
Tuesday 11 September	STEM Day	Host: Gravesend Public School
Thursday 20 September	MARKET DAY	Host: Croppa Creek Public School

We will keep you informed as information comes to hand as to the focus of each day. Please see the attached flyer with regards to the STEM / Market PBL Day being held at Croppa Creek.

We have also sent home a permission note for this week's Launch Day.



Community Announcements



Good for Kids good for life

SANDWICH ALTERNATIVES IN THE LUNCHBOX

Sandwiches are a great addition to an everyday lunchbox but if you feel like branching out here are some other great ideas:

- Vegetable fried rice,
- Pasta salad,
- Zucchini slice,
- Savoury muffins packed with vegetables,
- Chicken and vegetable rice paper rolls,
- Vegetable sushi rolls.

For more great ideas visit the Cancer Council's Healthy Lunch Box website: <https://healthylunchbox.com.au/>



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WARIALDA PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ARE HOSTING THEIR VERY FIRST

COLOUR EXPLOSION!

When: 10am, 19th August 2018

Where: Warialda Recreation Ground

Distance: 3km – walk/run/skip

Cost: \$20 under 16 years

\$30 over 16 years

\$90 family (2 adults, 2 children)

Includes t-shirt, visor, wristband and sunnies

YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE TO PARTICIPATE!

Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/colour-explosion-tickets-47893743476>

This event is **FREE** for WPS students who have registered online at www.myprofilepage.com.au

*** EEC lunch available ***

*** Special guest appearance from Adam Marshall ***

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 2ND AUGUST!