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Term 3 Week 3

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The Star of the Week is Emily Baker

For Deep Reading



What is your favourite subject at school and why?

**Art, because it is fun and I like to be creative.**

Do you have any hobbies?

**Horse riding – it is fun and I love animals!**

What is your dream holiday? Where? Doing what?

**Going to England in the winter to ride horses and see the snow.**

What book are you reading at the moment?



**The Land of Roar by Jenny McLachlan. It is about a boy who thinks his Grandad has been sucked into an imaginary land called Roar. I love it because it is not a true story so it is full of mythical creatures!**

What is your favourite book of all time?



**Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy by Lynley Dodd because it's so funny and is all about dogs.**

Do you have any pets?

**We have two horses – Teddy and Mingo, two dogs – Murphy and Black Dog, a cat called Molly and lots of cows and chickens!**

What would you like to be when you grow up?

**A marine biologist. Or an artist.... Or a professional horse rider!**

## Coming Events

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Aug

Life Education – Johns River PS

Week 4

Book Fair!

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Aug

CHATS test – Year 6

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Aug

CHHS Peer Leader Training  
11.15am – 1pm



## Principal's message:

Hello Week 3!

### Education Week – Learning Together

Whilst our plans to celebrate public education are a little different, the theme for this year resonates...

*In this year of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages of Education Week 2020 are:*

*Schools are the cornerstone of communities: Parents and carers are our partners in learning. Schools and families benefit from strong, respectful relationships where responsibility for student learning is shared.*

*Change and resilience: Our teachers and students are lifelong learners, collaborating in a positive learning environment to achieve their best. Learning together makes us strong and creates resilient communities.*

*Connect better and learn together: Our school staff are dedicated professionals who know, value and care for all students. Technology enables learning together anywhere, any time.*

### Life Education Van

Remember we are at **Johns River PS** tomorrow for the day. Each stage will visit the van for their session and other learning will take place with our JRPS friends. School start and finish times are unchanged and attendance is marked as normal. See you there!

### Family Conferences

I would like to schedule Family Conferences with each student and their family in coming weeks. Face to face meetings will comply with social distancing requirements, but an alternative via Zoom is also possible. I will make contact later this week to arrange a meeting time. Appointment options will be available to meet the needs of all our families.

### Enrolment and transition programs

All the things we do to ensure students have a smooth and successful start to Kindergarten or moving into Year 7 come under the heading of *transition programs*. Obviously, one of the many curve balls or challenges Covid-19 has thrown at us this year will be the need to alter our transition programs to comply with

restrictions and health advice. On Friday we received advice from our Educational Director, confirming that:

- Kindergarten transitions are on hold until further notice.
- Year 6 to 7 transitions may proceed, provided there are measures to reduce students from various schools mixing together and that full attendance logs are maintained.
- School-based activities with large groups of adults, such as information sessions, are on hold until further notice.
- Non-essential adults are not permitted on school grounds or at school events.

In line with the health advice and restrictions confirmed above, our Year 6 students have been able to participate in small group visits to Camden Haven High School and the events planned for Week 4 (CHATS Test and Peer/Team Building activities hosted at Herons Creek) can proceed.

Unfortunately, our plans to welcome 2021 Kindergarten via family tours, playgroups, drop in days or orientation and information sessions will have to remain on hold at this time. More information on how we are going to adapt our Kindergarten orientation program will be shared once finalised.

### Other Covid-19 related curve balls/updates:

**Interrelate:** due to Covid-19 restrictions our planned Interrelate family sessions won't go ahead.

**P&C:** *meetings should continue on-line where possible. Given instructions for social distancing of adults at this time it would be inappropriate to recommend those same adults meet at a third-party venue.* (Information provided by Director, Education Leadership)

**Community use of facilities:** *community use of facilities is permissible with certain caveats because community use does not necessarily expose staff to these visitors in the same manner as a school-based activity would.*

I'll conclude with a big thank you to all our students, families and dedicated staff who contribute so much to public education – I know I'm biased but I couldn't be prouder to be part of an organisation that values and nurtures educational excellence and equity!

Have a great week everyone!

*Mrs Menzies*

## Education Week Launch

This morning we kicked off Education Week by watching a live stream introduction in class.



## Book Fair

Our annual book fair will take place next week, 10th – 14th August. Due to current Covid-19 restrictions we will not be able to welcome parents on site to look at all of the books as usual.

Students will be able to make a 'wish list' to take home to parents and we will post pictures of the book displays onto the school Facebook page so parents can see what books are available to purchase.

There will be a huge range of books to choose from and remember - every purchase made will go towards earning learning and literary resources for the school. It's a great opportunity to stock up now for Christmas or birthday presents!

We have had new dates announced for Book Week which will now go ahead in week 2 of term 4. This year's theme is 'CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS'!



## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

Kitchen/Garden Report, Term3, Week 2.

Hello from the Kitchen and the Garden!



What an action packed session! Check out our harvest... now what did Mrs. Stevenson and her clever Eggplant Crew do with this basket of goodies?

There was beetroot, kale, zucchini, parsley, broccoli, baby tomatoes, thyme and baby spinach. They added eggs – produce we have a good supply of. I do like the Isa Brown hens!

The Eggplant Group cooked French Onion Zoodle Bake (using up a good quantity of zucchini) and Rainbow Rosti! Delicious!



And here's some preparation action...



Our gardeners are preparing for spring!! YAY!

Jacob, Harry and Charles harvested radishes and prepared them for sale at Hannam Vale Shop (Thanks Karen!).



Brooke, Maya and Emily got into lemon myrtle drying – yes, we are gradually grinding our way to a product sale here - followed by lavender harvesting and bunching.



Javier, Bentley and Jayden chopped off the green manure and mulched around the sweet potato mound - thanks to the kind donation of hay from the Crutcher family!





Andie, Odette and Isla re-vamped the cabbage patch. They removed the cabbages, which we planted too close together and spread them out.



A major lesson focus was a talk about different kinds of plant roots ....we found some great examples when we were weeding!

A big thanks also to Ms Fulford who gives lots of deserved encouragement to our very capable gardeners.

We have had very positive feedback from the Stephanie Alexander Foundation lately. Our program certainly is turning heads!

Thanks everyone, it was a very productive and happy session!

Mrs. E.

## Snazzy Year Sixers

Our year six shirts have arrived. Looking good guys!

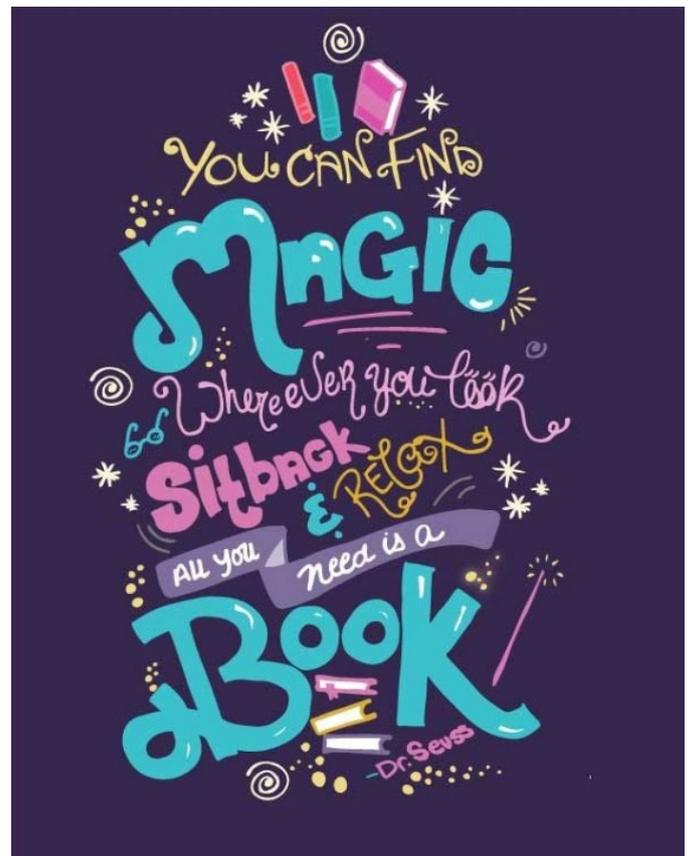


## P&C News

### Spaghetti Bolognaise

Magda's delicious spaghetti bolognaise is back in the freezer. Perfect for a cool winters day. \$5 each. Let staff know if you would like one on the day and they will defrost one ready to heat up at lunch time. Yum!

### Quote of the Week



# TERM 3 2020

Aug Week 3	3	4 Life Education - JRPS	5	6	7
Aug Week 4	10 Book Fair	11	12 CHATS test 12- 12.30pm	13 CHHS Peer Leader Training	14 Kitchen Garden
Aug Week 5	17	18	19	20	21



