

Primary Connections Newsletter



Weekly Catch Up 1st August, 2025 Issue No. 23

Celebrating 100 days of school!

On Wednesday, our Prep students marked a major milestone—100 days of school! The celebration was full of fun and excitement as students arrived dressed as 100-year-olds, ready to enjoy a day packed with activities all themed around the number 100.



A highlight of the day was a special visit from their Year 4 buddies, who joined in the festivities. The Preps also had the opportunity to proudly parade their creative costumes during a walk-through of the P-4 campus, delighting students and staff alike. A big thank you to our amazing parents for their enthusiasm and effort in helping make this day so memorable—we loved seeing the joy and pride on every little face!



IMPORTANT DATES

Tues 5th August

Regional Arts Victoria P-2
Dinosaur Time Machine Show

9th - 17th Aug: Science Week

11th - 15th August

Bullying, No Way Week

Wednesday 13th August

Prep Library Excursion

Wk 5 - 16th - 23rd August

BOOK WEEK 2025

Book an Adventure

P-8 Character Dress Up
Day - Monday 18th August



Wed 27th August
PUPIL FREE DAY

Prep – Year 2 Upcoming Performance

With thanks to Regional Arts Victoria and our local Rotary and Across the Arts groups, we are thrilled to welcome Highwire Entertainment next Tuesday to present their 'Dinosaur Time Machine' show – at no cost to families!



Two adventurous performers will use science, circus, puppetry, and imagination to give our junior primary students a glimpse into history they will not forget. Dinosaur Time Machine incorporates up-to-date science and discoveries made about dinosaurs and the environment that they lived in and presents it in a fun and highly visual way.



The show is an interactive theatre experience for dinosaur lovers and soon-to-be dinosaur lovers, incorporating many interactive elements for young audiences, a life size baby T-rex and some real life fossils too. Although there is no cost, a compass event has been set up for families to provide information and ability to consent to or decline the show. All Prep to Year 2 students will attend unless parents choose to decline through Compass.



Happy Birthday to students
celebrating this week...

Today – Candy H

2nd Aug – Brooke C & Jude C

3rd Aug – Evie M

4th Aug – Lincoln C & Koopa P

5th Aug – Van S

6th Aug – Aria H

7th Aug – Katana W, Maddi N
& Brooklyn VM

8th Aug – Alice T, Jacob R &
& Cash S



Co-Operation Awards



Congratulations to the following students for working together, communicating effectively & supporting each other positively.

Prep	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four
Daisy C	Jethro W	Caleb G	Marc C	Logan P
Scout P	Austin K	Dalia M	Evie M	Jack C
Sailor F	Jordan Mc	Mason L	Alice W	Zach B

Grade 5 STARS – Brayden N, Harry J, Jasmine A-W & Skyla B

Grade 6 STARS – Jonah HW, Aubrey A & Maddie W

Specialist Awards

Phys Ed Awards: Jye BE, Darcie L, Noah W, Zarian W, Evie M, Judd P & Indy B

LOTE: Scout P, Haidee S, Sway N, Marc C, Maizie T & Xavier W

Music Stars: Sailor F, Bentley L, Layla C, Etta C, Bailey E & Brock W

STEM Stars: Benji S, Brock D, Aliah S & Imogen C

Extension opportunity for Yr 5 & 6 budding authors

On Monday 28th July, high ability students from years 5 & 6 participated in a full day virtual Writing Extension workshop with award winning Australian author, Corinne Fenton. Corinne has published a range of picture story books, many of which we have in our school library. After explaining the inspiration behind some of her books, Corinne worked with the students on developing their ideas, creating rich and believable characters, and enhancing their writing using the five senses. Students spent time writing about several different topics before writing their own short stories. All students agreed that it was an enjoyable and interesting day and we congratulate these students for their effort and engagement during the session. Looks like we have a few budding authors in the making!



This opportunity was provided through the Department of Education's Challenge and Enrichment Series.

Year Four Happenings this week

Year Four students have been busy this week! Today they headed to Gorman Park then walked their way back to school, exploring the effects of erosion and getting ideas for locally based realistic fiction writing. On Wednesday they spent time with their Prep buddies helping celebrate the 100 Days of School Celebration, and on Monday they made playdough yesterday and then used it during maths time to make different fractions and help build their understanding.



Wangaratta Winter Sports

After being postponed due to wet weather and soggy grounds, the Wangaratta Winter Sports Carnival finally went ahead on Wednesday.

Unfortunately, the T-ball grounds were unusable on the day, but the netball, soccer and AFL football teams were able to play and very much enjoyed their day!

