

CROYDON PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL NEO ORA

TERM 1 WEEK 7 2025

MONDAY 10 March

TUESDAY 11 March

WEDNESDAY 12 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)
- P&C meeting

THURSDAY 13 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)
- K-2 assembly

FRIDAY 14 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)
- Summer IWSSA Gala Day



Principal Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

International Women's Day

At Croydon Park Public School, we join in the global celebration of International Women's Day, recognising the achievements, contributions, resilience of women in our school community and beyond. This year's theme, "**Inspire Inclusion**", reminds us of the importance of fostering an environment where all individuals, regardless of gender, feel valued, heard and empowered.

We encourage our students to celebrate and give gratitude to the incredible women in their lives. Please click on the link below to hear from our school captains, Ria Petkovic and Ryan Spratt and other students give thanks to the women in their lives.

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Year 6 Fundraiser Event- Jersey Day

Thank you to all families who donated a gold coin on Jersey Day. Collectively, our school community raised \$330.00. All proceeds will go directly to our Year 6 Student Farewell.

Teacher Supervision starts at 8:25am

This is a reminder to families new and old that teacher supervision commences at 8:25am each school day. Duty teachers and Learning and Support Officers will be wearing a fluoro vest. Parents and carers are legally responsible for the care and supervision of their children prior to 8:25am. Please do not leave your child unsupervised at the school before 8:25am. We understand that many parent and carers have commitments at work which require them to leave before 8:25am. Before and After School Care Services operate in our school. Please contact the office for further information.



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TERM 1 WEEK 8 2025

MONDAY 17 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)

TUESDAY 18 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)

WEDNESDAY 19 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)

THURSDAY 20 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)
- 3-6 Assembly

FRIDAY 21 March

- NAPLAN testing period (years 3 & 5)
- Harmony Day



Principal Update

NAPLAN Online- Years 3 and 5

On Wednesday 12 March Years 3 and 5 will start their NAPLAN assessment with the writing task. Year 3 will complete their Writing task on paper and Year 5 will complete their Writing assessment online. We ask that all students bring headphones to access the audio content of the assessments. The assessment tasks cover skills in writing, reading, spelling, grammar, punctuation, and numeracy. The testing window will conclude on Monday 24 March. There is no need to prepare for these assessments. If children are absent on their assessment day, they will need to be 'caught up' when they return to school. All tests must be completed within the testing window.

P&C Appreciation on Wednesday 12 March

Our school values our parent and carer partnership and we are grateful for the tireless efforts and support of our 2024 P&C Executive Team. A special thanks to the following 2024 P&C executive. We appreciate all that you do for our students and school.

- Phil Pooley - President
- Lauren Boyt - Vice President
- Esther Katz - Vice President
- Therese O'Reilly - Treasurer
- Mary Van Den Berg - Assistant Treasurer
- Andrew Feeney - Secretary
- Amy Vagne - Assistant Secretary

Parents and Carers are warmly welcome to attend our P&C AGM on Wednesday 12 March at 6:00pm at Croydon Park Club. We look forward to acknowledging and celebrating our 2024 P&C team after this meeting. We hope you can join us.

Kindest Regards,

Anastasia Galanos, Principal



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Early Stage 1 Update

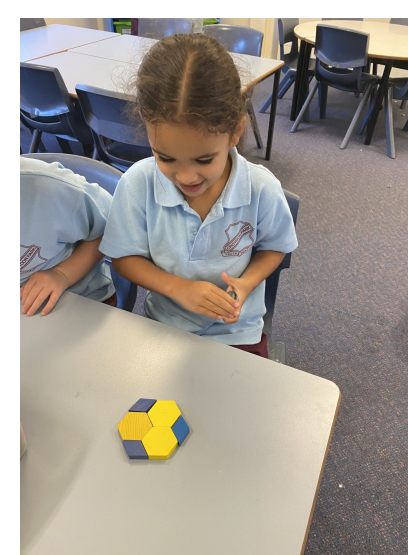
Literacy

Students in Kindergarten have quickly adapted to school life and have been busy learning about school routines and expectations. In literacy, students have been enjoying a variety of quality literature including being exposed to texts about starting school. They have also been learning how to work independently during rotational groups with simple phonics activities, which will enable them to succeed when we begin reading groups later this term.



Numeracy

Numbers and patterns! Kindergarten students have been learning about how numbers can be represented in different ways, including numerals, objects, dot patterns and words. They have also been making two and three part patterns using a variety of objects and materials from around the classroom.



Routines and school expectations

Learning how to be at school has been a big milestone and achievement for the students in Kindergarten. It has been a busy few weeks but the students have done incredibly well adjusting to their new surroundings. They have learnt about Larry the Learner, Safe Sadey and Respectful Ralph and the ways these special school crocodiles, the school mascots, can help them to remember these expectations within the classroom and around the school.



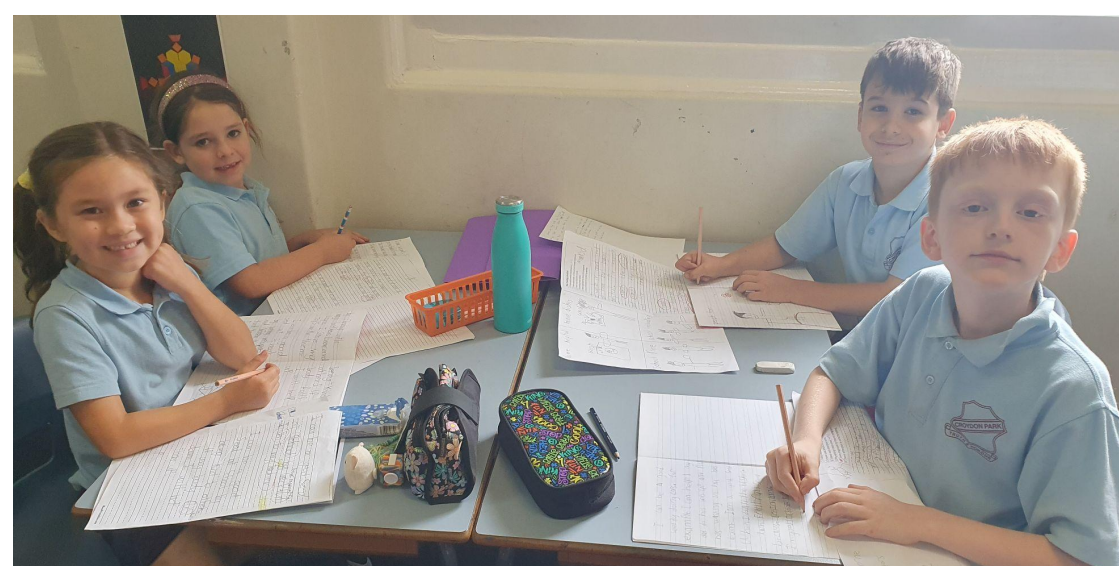
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Stage 1 Update - 2D

Literacy

This week, 2D have been creating their own texts based on the book 'The Bad Seed' by Jory John. We love the message that this story gives us and we have based our writing around this message, by focusing on all the ways we can be a good seed, both at home and at school. Here are some photos of us publishing our work.

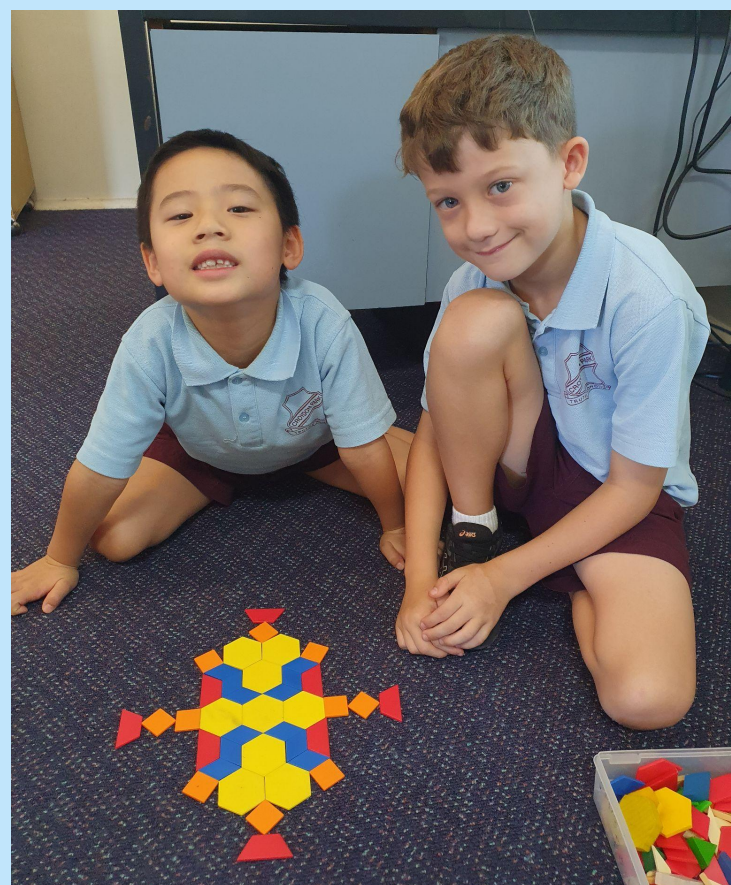


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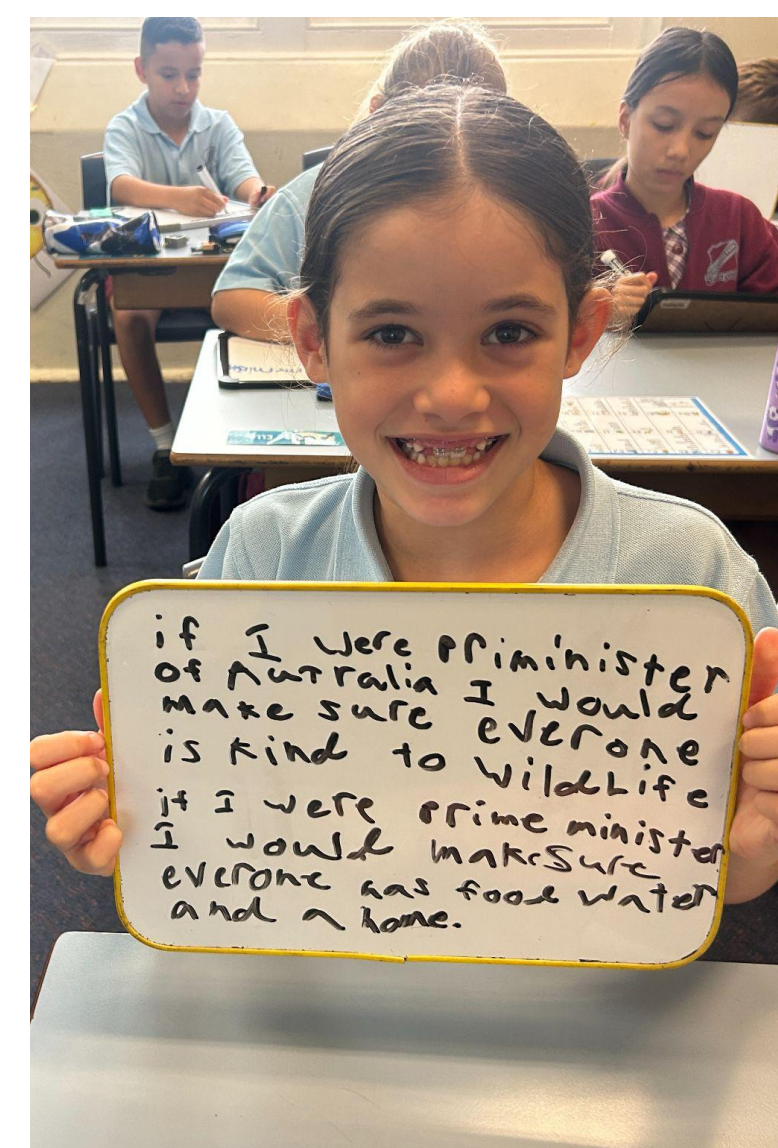
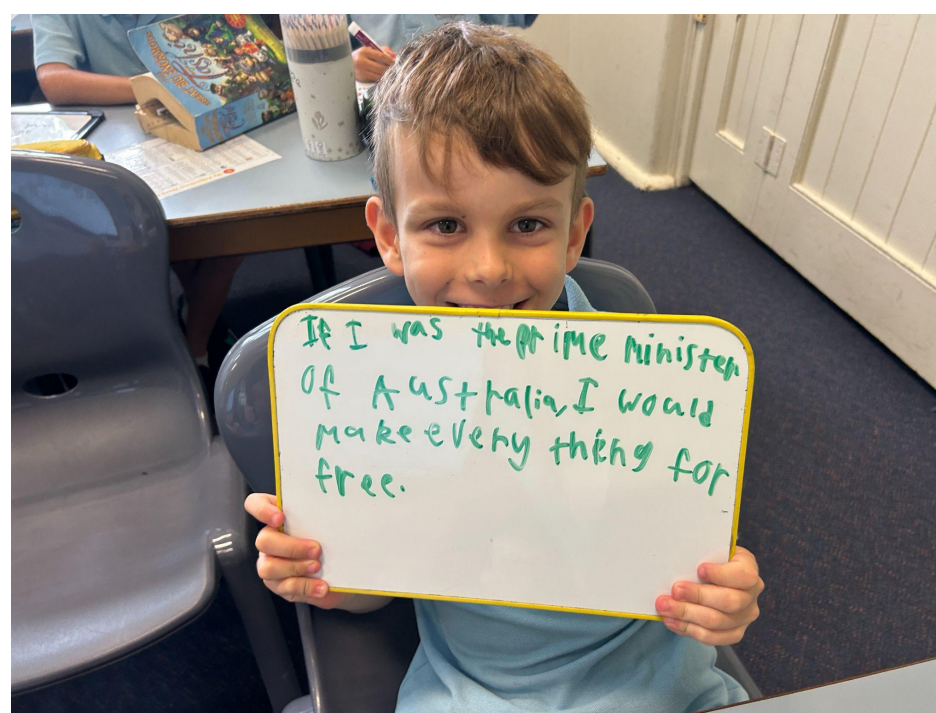
This week, 2D have been exploring patterns. We have been learning about repeating pattern cores and how to identify the core, as well as how to represent it with letters. We have also been looking at symmetry in mandala patterns and creating our own. This was our favourite part! Have a look at some of our amazing designs. Our pattern journey didn't end there though. We also put our brains to the test and explored number patterns. We took turns creating our own number patterns and finding the rule for each other's patterns.

Science

For science this week, 2D have been learning about the night sky. We discovered that the moon has many different phases and we enjoyed drawing these on the playground with chalk. We also explored constellations, and the highlight of the lesson was creating and naming our own constellations with playdoh and little sticks.



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Stage 2 Update - 3D

Literacy

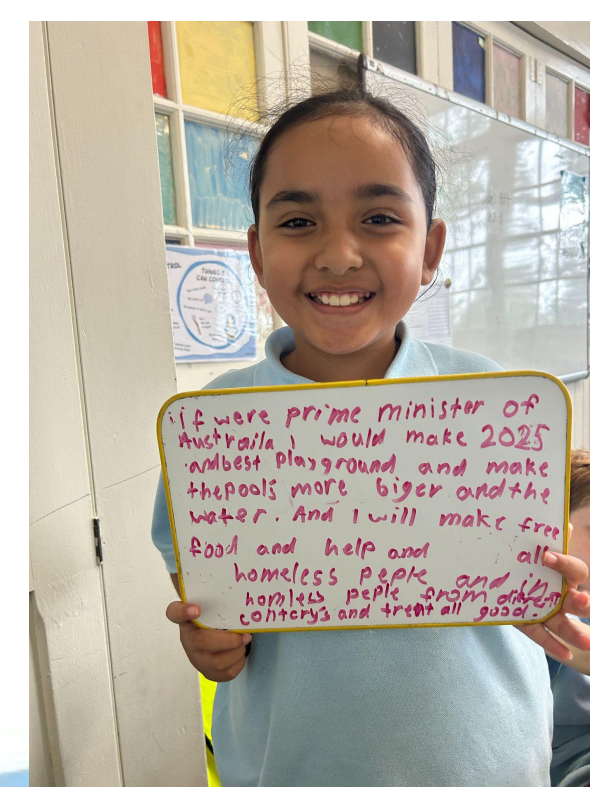
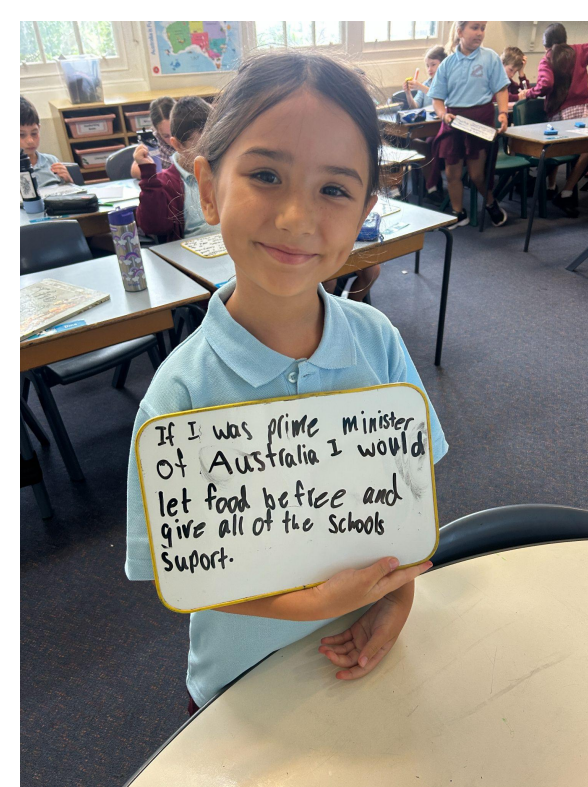
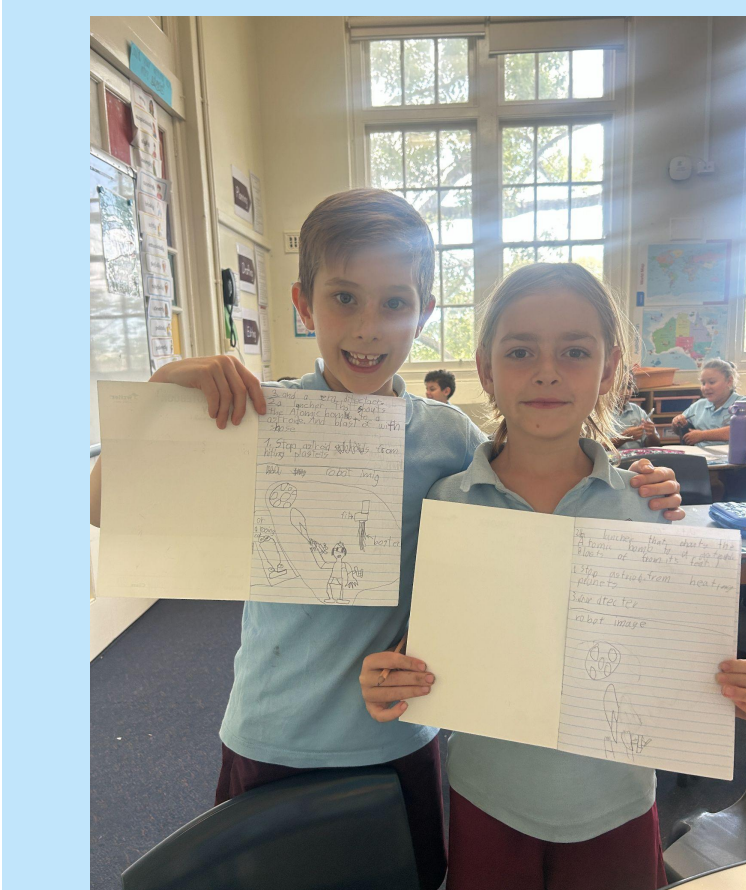
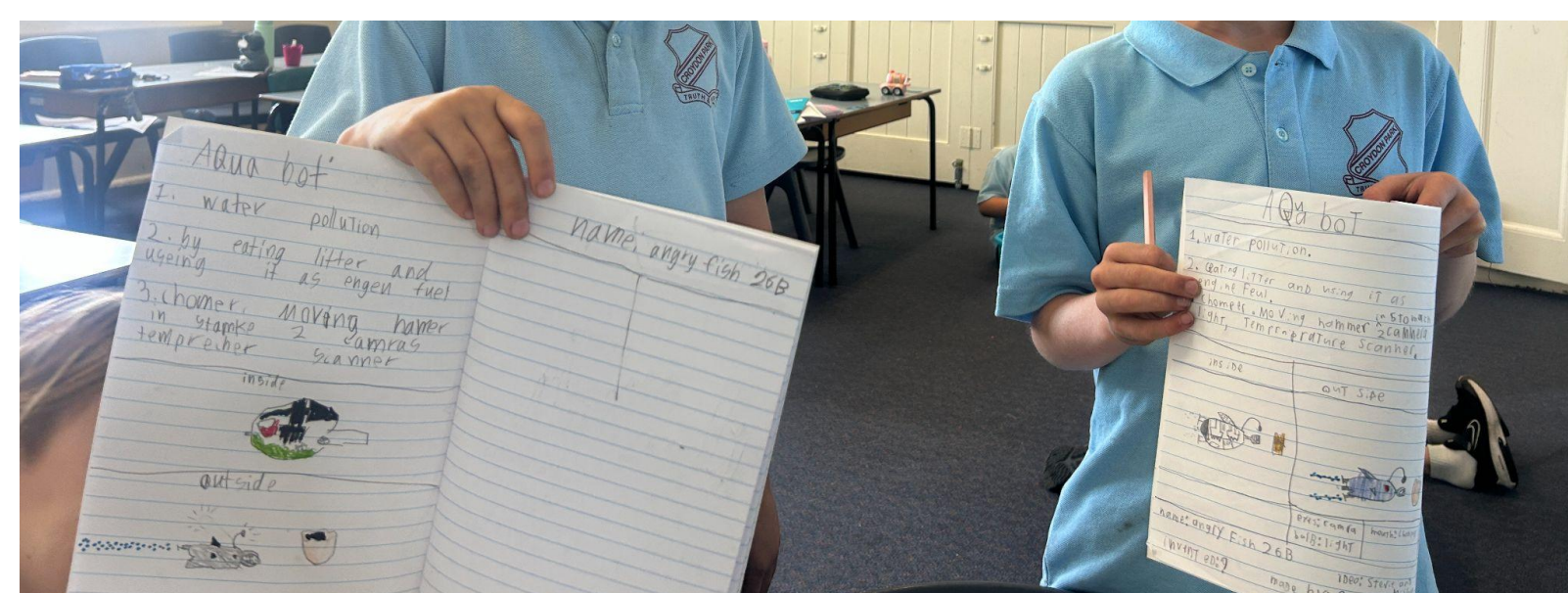
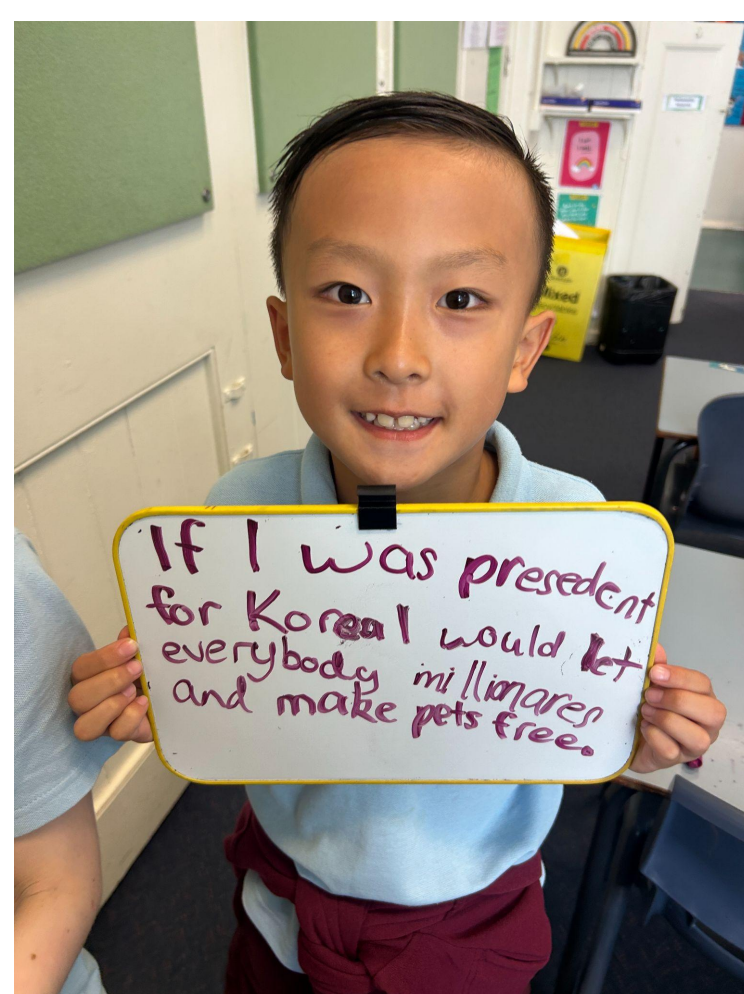
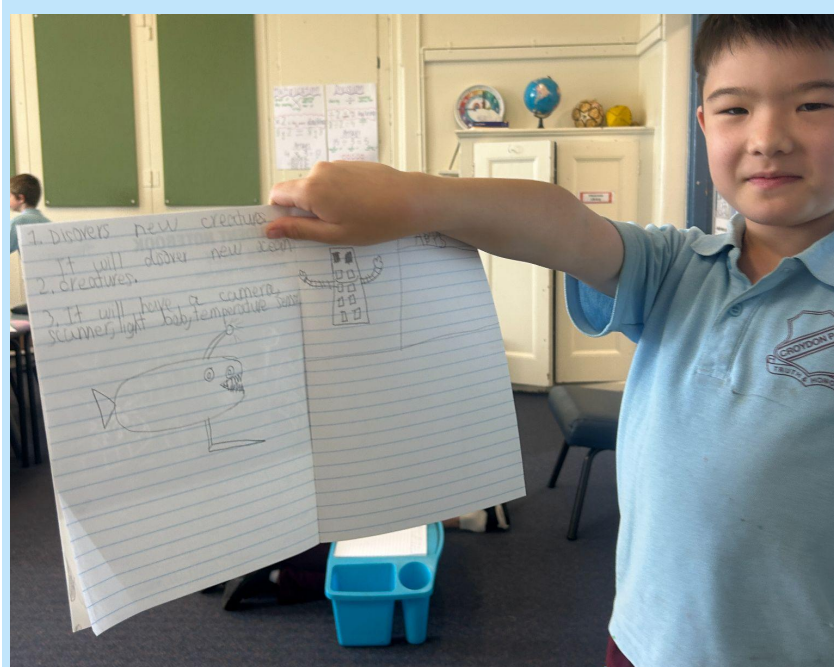
In writing, 3D has been diving into persuasive texts, crafting speeches on why they would make great leaders. Students have been learning to use strong reasons and clear explanations to convince their audience! In reading, we've been exploring *Sofia Valdez, Future Prez*, discussing leadership and how young people can make a difference. Inspired by Sofia, students wrote on mini whiteboards about what they would do if they were president.

Numeracy

In Maths, 3D has been working hard on developing their measurement skills. We explored how to estimate and measure objects around the classroom using centimetres, helping us build a stronger understanding of length. Through hands-on activities and discussions, students practiced making predictions before using rulers and measuring tapes to check their accuracy. They enjoyed the challenge of estimating different lengths and comparing their measurements, explaining their thinking along the way.

Science

This week in Science, 3D has been exploring how technology can help humans in different ways. We investigated how robots are used in real life and discussed their benefits, from helping in hospitals to exploring space! Students then got creative, designing their own helpful robots and explaining how they would make life easier. Their ideas were both imaginative and practical, showing a great understanding of technology's role in our world.



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Stage 3 Update

Literacy

Students in 6B have started their literacy journey with *Worse Things* by Sally Murphy. This is a verse novel exploring three main characters dealing with personal struggles on and off the sporting field. The class has been constructing cinquain poems and free verses based on these characters as well as themselves! Additionally we have been studying the themes presented in the novel, namely finding qualities and strengths within yourself that you may have never noticed before.

Numeracy

6B have started off the year jumping straight into decimals which often presents many challenges for students as high school level work comes into view. The class has been experimenting with place value, dividing and multiplying by 10, 100, 1000 and most importantly have applied their knowledge to real life situations. Each and every day we complete mathematics warm-ups and have been improving our Numeracy Ninja scores!

Peer Support

This week, students across Year 6 completed their Peer Support Leadership Training. Looking at the skills of organisation, leadership and empathy, students led and were involved in many group activities. This culminated in a task where groups had to design outfits for an upcoming movie using only newspaper and tape. There were some interesting results!



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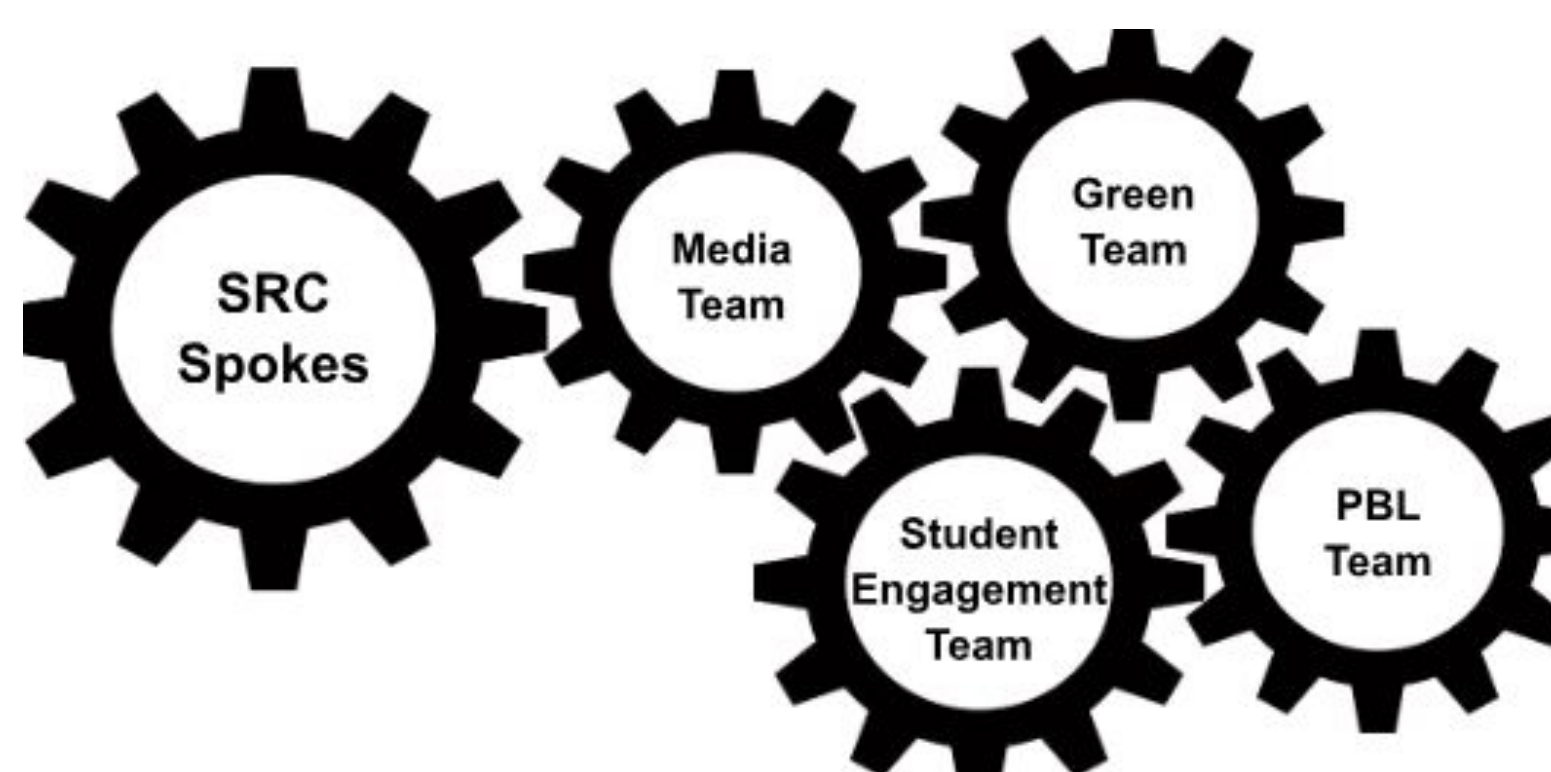
SRC Update



Congratulations to all our elected SRC representatives for 2025.

Class	SRC Representatives
2L	Frankie Vagne Sam Lloyd
2D	Zachary Ionita Mia Simon
3D	Adam Jee Elyssia Violet Finn
3T	Lucas Vlahomitros Isabelle Feeney
4I	Alex Battaglia Olivia Rozkiewicz
4M	Katija Xavier Elmer Susanto
5C	Isabel Nyhan Nour Hassoun
5B	Natalia Bchenek Charlotte Knapp
5/6SM	Henry Nguyen Mohammed Moubachir
6B	Cristian Galimi Chloe Cao
6C	Celena Zeng Arielle Wu

SRC members will be given the opportunity to work within different spokes. These spokes work together to create a dynamic SRC leadership team which makes a meaningful impact and holds responsibilities across 3 different aspects of the school environment. Students will rotate between each of the spokes so that they have the opportunity to learn and contribute to each different facet.



Term 1 Teams			
Media Team	Green Team	Student Engagement Team	PBL team
Frankie	Sam	Zachary	Mia
Adam	Elyssia	Lucas	Isabelle F
Alex	Olivia	Katija	Elmer
Isabel N	Nour	Natalia	Charlotte
Henry	Mohammed	Cristian	Chloe
Celena	Arielle		



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Library Update

Scholastic Book Fair

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank our community for their support at the Scholastic Book Fair. This was the first time we organised a Book Fair to coincide with the P&C Welcome Picnic and it was success! We sold \$1,140 at the event and received \$180 in donations. I am still in shock by the amount we have raised for our school library.

It was a great event and I was overjoyed to see new and existing families come into the library and explore the collection of books provided by Scholastic.

Thanks again for all your support, I look forward to organising the next Book Fair in Term 3!



Doris Hoang
Teacher Librarian



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PSSA Update



The first PSSA Gala Day was held on Friday of Week 4, and the basketball teams had an absolute blast at Bankstown Basketball Stadium! We played multiple games throughout the day and were supported by many wonderful parents.

We can't wait to continue practicing as a team in preparation for the next Gala Day in Week 7.

Let's hear from two players who took part in the action!

Albie Nesbitt - Senior Boys Basketball Mahi Nair - Senior Girls Basketball

In basketball, the girls senior team versed Haberfield, Croydon, Abbotsford, Summerhill and for the boys team, they versed Haberfield, Five Dock and Summer Hill. Sadly they lost all 3 games. The girls senior team had more luck though, as they made it through to the semi-finals, but sadly lost against Summerhill, coming in fourth place, and neither team had any practice! On the basketball court, the senior girls could feel the tension, and were nervous, as some people on the team had never played basketball before! Every time someone scored a basket (on our team) the senior girls built more confidence, and slowly got better.

The boys team however, had some really tough opponents, but they still tried their hardest, they all scored some baskets and after time we built up a lot of confidence.

Kind regards,
Mackenzie Chegwidden
Senior Basketball Coach
Stage 3 Teacher



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IWPSSA Zone Swimming Carnival

Last Thursday, the 27th of February, was the IWPSSA Zone Swimming Carnival. Croydon Park Public School had 20 students representing the school at the event. It was a beautiful day for a swim, and although some of the students were nervous at the start of the day, they soon couldn't wait to get into the water and out of the heat. A big congratulations to all our students who qualified for Zone.

Sam Lloyd 2L
Stevie Pooley 3D
Ashton Molino 3D
Eve Chandra 4I
Maya McGee 4I
Charlie Katz 4I
Maya Hilton 4I
Madeleine Ionita 4M
Luca Molino 5B
Sophie Edwards 5B
Maxx Borello 5B
Arthur Entin Allen 5C
Shivya Dimri 5/6SM
Edison Molino 5/6SM
Leo Huang 5/6SM
Sienna Lagarde 6C
Mahi Nair 6C
Beni Hilton 6C
Lucija Xavier 6B
Alexander Vlahomitros 6B



Although we didn't place in any of the heats for the Regional Competition, all students gave it their all and made us proud. Their effort and wonderful behaviour is to be commended. They represented Croydon Park Public School beautifully, following school expectations all day.

Regards,

Hanan Daoud
Year 2 Teacher
Swimming Carnival coordinator



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Stage 1 Science Incursion

Ask us anything about the weather, well almost anything! Today, Stage 1 learnt about why we experience different seasons throughout the year, and why some clouds spin! We watched so many fun experiments and then got to experiment with some equipment ourselves.

Given that we couldn't find an excursion to take us into space, this was the next best thing!



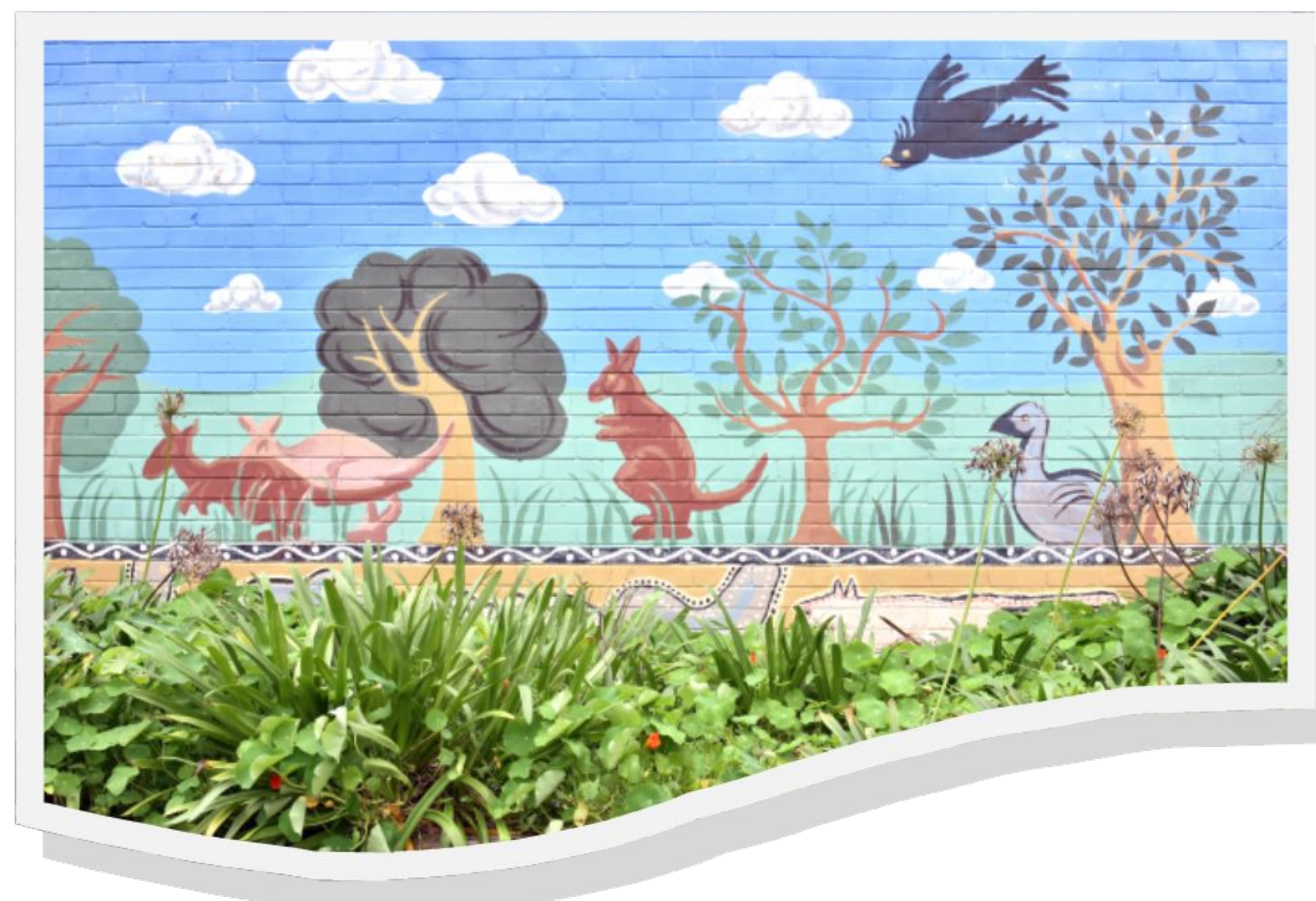
It was fantastic to watch all the students participate with enthusiasm and respect for our visitors. Congratulations to Stage 1 for showing a great attitude to your learning!

Regards,

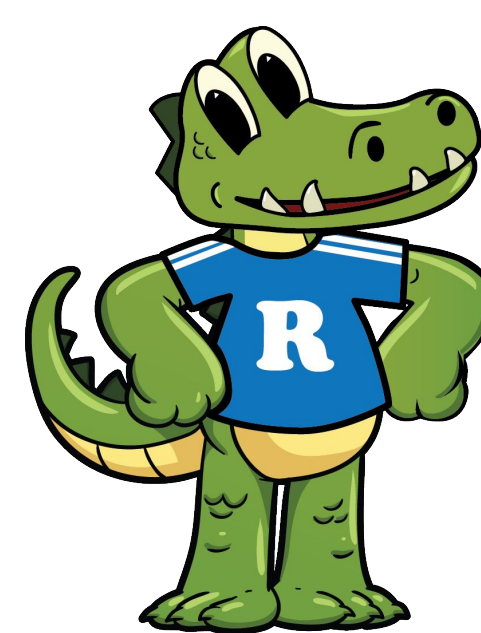
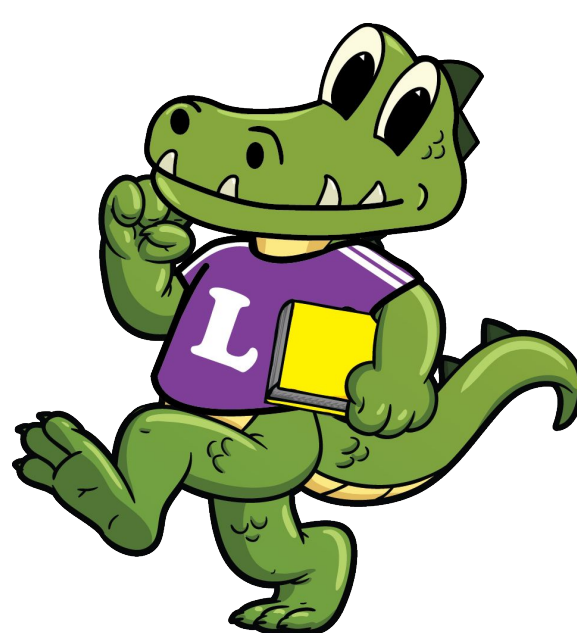
Sally Webeck
Assistant Principal (rel) Stage 1



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PBL Celebration Day



We are Safe, We are Learners, We are Respectful

Who's responsible? We are!

Each fortnight this term, the students and teachers are focusing on one of our school's expectations in a shared space of the school. Teachers will be on the lookout for students following our school expectations to be awarded 'Do It Right' tokens and Croydon Park Crests.

PBL Expectation for Term 1 Weeks 7 & 8

We are **RESPECTFUL** to each other during class time

- I can focus on my own work during class time
- I am mindful of the learning of others
- I show respect to my teachers and peers by actively listening to them
- I complete my work to the best of my ability

Congratulations to our week 5 and 6 students

Bronze Awards:

Indyah DeMurtas 5/6SM

Silver Awards:

Harper Pieper 1M

Allison Camargo Cardenas 3D

Dylan Caicedo Leal 3D

Gold Awards:

Savana Lagarde 2L

Aaliyah Hema 3D

Blue Level- All students begin here

5 Croydon Park Crests = 1 Bronze Award

1 Bronze Award + 5 more Croydon Park Crests = 1 Silver award

1 Silver award + 5 Croydon Park Crests = 1 Gold Award



Angela's
Kitchen

TRADITIONAL OR CHOCOLATE CHIP HOT CROSS BUN & FLAVOURED MILK MEAL DEAL

Dear Parents & Carers

Angela's Kitchen School Canteen will be offering a Traditional or Chocolate Chip Hot Cross Bun & Flavoured Milk Meal Deal at recess to all students on Tuesday 8 April.

The cost is \$5.00

Orders are placed via the Flexischool app no later than
Tuesday 1 April.

Angela Pino
Canteen Manager



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

What a great start to Term 1 2025! We hope everyone has settling into the year well. We have been busy having FUN at Team Kids, we have started our clubs, made sushi together, made slime, had a Teddy Bear Picnic Parade, celebrated Valentine's Day.

We would like to remind you of our Sun Smart Policy, we follow the procedures of shade, protective clothing, hats, sunscreen and modelling appropriate sun smart safety amongst our Educators. We would also like to remind you to sign your child in and out on the Service iPad, please don't allow your child to sign for you as this is a legal document and also our centre is a no screen time service. Our service hours are 7am-9am and 3pm-6pm sharp, Monday to Friday.

This term we are introducing a variety of new and exciting Clubs for the children to enjoy with one another and their educators on five afternoons a week from 3.30pm-4.30pm

We also have the KU program continuing this term, five afternoons a week from 4pm-5pm.

Monday – Dance

Tuesday – Soccer

Wednesday – Electronics

Thursday – Coding

Friday – Robotics

IMPORTANT DATES

 **4TH MARCH 2025**

Pancake Day!

 **17TH MARCH 2025**

Harmony Week

 **20TH MARCH 2025**

International Day of Happiness 😊



TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK 3-10

MONDAY

Homework Club



TUESDAY

Community Club



WEDNESDAY

Art Attack Club



THURSDAY

Musical Theatre Club



FRIDAY

Cooking Club



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TODAY'S MENU



Team
Kids

BREAKFAST

Choice of Cereals with Low-Fat Milk or Low-Fat
Vanilla Greek Yoghurt
Weet-Bix, Corn Flakes, Rice Bubbles, Granola

Wholemeal Toast with Spreads
Nuttelex, Raspberry Jam, Strawberry Jam, Vegemite and
Honey

Seasonal Fruit & Vegetable Bowl
Apples, Bananas, Pears, Carrots, Oranges

AFTERNOON TEA

Wholemeal Saladas and Rice Cakes with
Hummus, Tzatziki and Avocado Dip

Seasonal Fruit & Vegetable Platter
Apples, Oranges, Pears, Grapes, Watermelon,
Honeydew, Pineapple, Carrots, Cucumbers, Capsticum

EXTRA FRUIT, VEG, MILK & WATER AVAILABLE ALL DAY

Daily
Specials
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DAILY SPECIALS



STARTING 10.03.2025

MONDAY

BREAKFAST
Scones with Cream Cheese
and Jam

AFTERNOON TEA
Rice Cakes with Avocado,
Tomato and Cheese

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST
English muffins with butter and
jam

AFTERNOON TEA
Vegetable sticks with dips and
pita bread

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST
Crumpets with butter and
honey

AFTERNOON TEA
Chicken and Cheese
Sandwiches

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST
Croissants with your choice of
spreading

AFTERNOON TEA
Sushi Bowls with Tuna,
Cucumber, Avocado, Rice,
Seaweed, Soy sauce and
Mayo

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST
Pancakes with Maple syrup &
Banana's.

AFTERNOON TEA
Spaghetti Bolognese
Vegan option: Pink Pasta
Sauce

GFO – Gluten Free
Option
DFO – Dairy Free
Option

Today's
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Team
Kids

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DAILY SPECIALS



STARTING 17.03.2025

MONDAY

BREAKFAST

Your choice of cereal

AFTERNOON TEA

Vegetable sticks with dips and pita bread

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST

Plain Waffles

AFTERNOON TEA

Cheese Toasties with Tomato

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST

Bagels with cream cheese and Jam

AFTERNOON TEA

Rice cakes with avocado, tomato and cheese

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST

English Muffins

AFTERNOON TEA

Meat and Vegetable dumplings

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST

Protein Pancakes

AFTERNOON TEA

Chicken Skewers
Vege option: Falafel skewers

GFO – Gluten Free
Option
DFO – Dairy Free
Option

Today's
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