

## Term 4, Week 8

#### **Principal Position**

At the end of this year, Mr Lewis will be finishing as the Principal of Fassifern PS. He will be taking the principal position at Toronto PS at the beginning of next year. We will have details of his replacement over the coming weeks.

#### APCI

Mrs Culjak has been on leave this term and she will continue to take leave next year. Mrs O'Neill will continue to take to fill the role of Assistant principal, Curriculum and Instruction, whilst teaching Wilai.

We wish to thank Mrs Culjak for the amazing work that she has done at our school.

#### **Traffic Safety**

Please avoid any U-Turns on any double lines near our school. Our primary concern is the welfare of our students and community and it is not safe to do so. Please call if you have any questions regarding traffic safety.

#### Up & Up Wellbeing Day

The team that worked with Makoro on our new Mural are returning to run a fun day. Our students will be able to do artworks, play music, dance, and write hip hop. It will be a brilliant way to finish off the term.



#### **Events**

Awabakal Cultural Excursion Monday 9/12

**Up and Up incursion** Thursday 12/12

**Presentation Day** 10:00 - 11:00 Tuesday 17/12

Last day of 2024 Wednesday 18/12

**First day of 2025** Thursday 6/12

Each week, we learn a new Awabakal word Our Awabakal word is 'Maroong' which means 'good'

# Office News



• WWCC Requirements

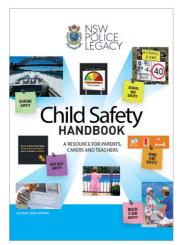
If you would like us to arrange another parent to transport your child from school to an offsite event, please be aware that they are classified as a Specified Volunteer and are required to have a Working with Children Check registered with our office.

### **Cyber Safety Changes**

Student email addresses are being restricted for signing up for, and recovering access to, social media, gaming, instant messaging and similar platforms. Students can no longer use their school email addresses to access third-party platforms. Students will need to update their accounts with a personal email address instead by the first day of Term 4. More information re cyber safety for parents can be found here:

Cyber safe parents | NSW Government

### **NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook**



The "NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook" is a comprehensive and free resource to assist parents, carers and teachers on a range of topics essential to child safety. https://nsw.childsafetyhub.com.au/handbook/





### Term 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	14/10 Students return	15/10	16/10	17/10	18/10 Grandparents Day
2	21/10 Swimming Scheme	22/10 Swimming Scheme	23/10 Swimming Scheme Softball Clinic	24/10 Swimming Scheme	25/10 Swimming Scheme Fassi Flyers
3	28/10 Swimming Scheme	29/10 Swimming Scheme	30/10 Swimming Scheme	31/10 Swimming Scheme	1/11 Swimming Scheme
4	4/11	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11
5	11/11 Remembrance Day	12/11	13/11 Glenrock Excursion 4-6	14/11	15/11
6	18/11	19/11	20/11 Transition Day LMHS - Year 6	21/11	22/11
7	25/11	26/11 Planetarium Incursion	27/11	28/11	29/11
8	2/12	3/12	4/12 Leadership Speeches – Year 5	5/12	6/12
9	9/12 Awabakal Cultural Excursion - K-3	10/12	11/12	12/12 Up & Up incursion Year 6 Farewell	★ 13/12 Kinder Orientation
10	16/12	17/12 Presentation Day 10:00 - 11:00	18/12 Last day of term	19/12	20/12

More information will be provided about these activities. Additional activities may be added throughout the term.

# Academic Awards

Wilai	Alanna Guthrie	Improved oral counting in mathematics
	Dione Del Rosario	Working hard to use speech marks and 'saying verbs' in her writing
	Mak Barry	Great work when blending sounds today a word
	Mason Harty	Working hard in lessons about polygons and quadrilaterals
	Meila Anderson	Great ideas when writing about pollution
	Tahlia Ryan	Great work in lessons about contractions in spelling
	Riley Walker	Insightful contributions to class discussions.
	Indiana Bain	Great effort when writing about our planetarium incursion.
Pirama	Kale Broadbent	Successfully completing 3-digit multiplication
	Amiyah Jordan	Making great improvements in division problems in mathematics
	Indie-lee Mitchell	Showing leadership qualities whilst working with others
	MJ Nixon	Improvement in spelling
	Scarlett Mitchell	Identifying the origins of Old English words during etymology spelling lessons
	Oakley Orr	Successfully completing 3-and 4 digit multiplication algorithms
Makoro	Hallie Anderson	Utilising effective problem solving strategies to work through challenge maths problems
	Lachlan James	For using possessive apostrophes accurately and transferring that knowledge into his writing
	Connor Guthrie	Showing improved perseverance skills when completing set tasks
	Ryan Raspoort	Consistently striving to do his best in all Key Learning Areas
	Alex Murray	Using problem solving strategies to determine the area of an unknown space
	Tia Grace Sharp	Effectively researching problems faced by polar bears and the implications they have on their survival
	Okalani Thornton	Writing effectively for a purpose.

## **Stars of the Week**



Cody is а polite and respectful Kindergarten student. He started school this year with a positive attitude and an enthusiasm to learn. Cody displays a growing willingness to attempt more challenging tasks, particularly in mathematics. He really likes to beat his personal best in number writing and in his reading of tricky numbers up to 7 digits long. Cody enjoys physical activity sessions and is cooperative with others in games and sports. During Swim School, he was able to listen to his instructor's feedback to improve his swimming technique.

Cody tries hard to complete his bookwork neatly and he has shown real improvements in his letter and number formations. Cody is a quiet worker in class. He enjoys telling news and sharing his interests and things he enjoys. Cody is a helpful member of our class and is showing a growing maturity to focus on a task until its completion. We look forward to Cody's cheerful smile each morning. Keep up the great work, Cody! You are a very deserving Star of the Week! **Okalani** is an exceptional student who consistently demonstrates a positive attitude to his class, school and community. On the playground, Okalani can be seen with a huge smile on his face engaging in all sorts of games and activities. He is a kind and supportive friend who encourages good sportsmanship and displays a never give up attitude. In the classroom, Okalani is a respectful student who is always eager to assist in any way he can. He comes to school ready to learn and is determined to try his best and produce quality work.

Okalani displays outstanding critical and creative thinking skills. He has a unique ability to approach problems from different angles and is never afraid to explore innovative solutions. Okalani's insights are always thoughtful and he contributes meaningfully to class discussions, encouraging his peers to think more deeply as well. We are so proud of Okalani for his hard work, positive attitude, and commitment to personal growth. Keep up the amazing work, Okalani!



# **Stars of the Week**



Vienna arrives at school each day with a huge, welcoming smile that instantly brightens the classroom. Vienna is a student who truly stands out for her perseverance and unwavering commitment to excellence. She sets ambitious goals for her learning and works diligently to achieve them, demonstrating a remarkable work ethic. In her writing, Vienna has made significant strides in improving her understanding of paragraphs and text structure. Her hard work has led to impressive enhancements in her structured texts. In mathematics, she approaches complex problems with a creative mindset and remarkable accuracy, often thinking outside the box to find innovative solutions.

Vienna is not only a dedicated learner, but she is also well-liked and respected by her peers. Her kindness and willingness to assist her classmates foster a collaborative and supportive classroom environment. She frequently lends a helping hand to her teachers, demonstrating her team spirit and leadership qualities. We are incredibly proud of Vienna and all her achievements. Keep up the fantastic work, Vienna!

Charlotte is well mannered, well respected, kind and friendly. She is committed to her and approaches all learning tasks with determination. Charlotte is an enthusiastic student. who always listens to teacher feedback and tries her best to improve her work. She shares her ideas with others, but is always respectful and listens to the ideas of her peers. Charlotte is a helpful member of the class, and is always willing to help anyone in need. Charlotte has worked hard to improve her mathematics results, and I am proud of the hard work and persistence she has shown. In the playground Charlotte is fearless! She takes on every challenge without hesitation and commits whole-heartedly to sport.

Charlotte has a keen sense of sportsmanship, supporting and cheering on those both on her team, and those whom she competes against. She is a very well liked student, who has earned the respect of everyone who knows her. Charlotte is a caring and empathetic student who is always willing to help support the younger students in our school . I am so proud of all your achievements, Charlotte. Keep up the great work!



# **Stars of the Week**

**Tahlia** brings cheerfulness and enthusiasm every day to our Wilai classroom. She is always responsible, well-mannered, kind, and respectful. She works hard to fully engage in all learning tasks. Tahlia displays a genuine enthusiasm for learning and a willingness to act on teacher feedback. She fully participates in our Maths Daily Reviews and Fluency Pairs lessons and she shows a genuine love of reading.

Tahlia works hard to complete her bookwork neatly and she takes her time to ensure her work is of a high standard. She is confident to share her ideas with others and is respectful when listening to the ideas of her peers. Tahlia is a very helpful member of the class. She helps ensure our room is tidy and clean and can organise the collection of home readers if Mrs O'Neill or Mrs Simpson is away. She enjoys talking about her learning goals and is able to come up with achievable future goals to assist her progress.

Tahlia is a delight to teach. She has been a wonderful role model to her peers and has been so helpful to her younger classmates. We look forward to Tahlia's continued achievements at our school. Keep up the wonderful work, Tahlia!



### Academic Awards







#### **PBL** Awards







## **Home Reading**



# **Glenrock Excursion**









# Remembrance Day









# **Community Pantry Service**

# \$10 Grocery Hampers

FREE Open Pantry\*

Check our social media or website for opening hours.



Typical hamper contents\*\*

3/6 The Boulevarde, Toronto (Behind LJ Hooker)

Simply walk in, or reserve your hamper in advance by contacting us via any of the below methods.

"Empowering communities through food and education"

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⊕ www.nourished.org.au
● nourishedaustralia
○ @nourished\_aus



\* Open Pantry limits apply \*\* Hampers may include fresh fruit and veg. Hamper contents will vary.



#### Keeping active and cool in summer

Being physically active is not only fun but also great for your body! Running, jumping, playing sports, and even dancing helps keep your muscles and heart strong and healthy.

It's important to stay active every day, whether you're playing outside, riding your bike, or having a game with friends. But when it's hot, don't forget to stay cool!

Try:

- Wearing light, comfortable clothes that protect you from the sun and let your skin breathe
- Drinking lots of water to stay hydrated
- Being active during the cooler parts of the day
- · Taking breaks in the shade
- Using cold towels or fans to help you feel cooler when finished

Staying active and cool makes sure you can play longer and feel great!





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Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

## Lake Mac Family Life

FREE digital magazine has arrived on your device!



Jam packed full of fun for families in Lake Macquarie and surrounds. This edition includes:

- Family Walks
- Fun filled festivals
- Events for all ages
- School holiday programs
- Shows, movies and art trails
- 9 prizes valued at over \$1300

Here's a link to access the magazine. <u>Lake Mac Family Life Magazine | seasonal</u> <u>| Lake Mac Family Life</u>

# Communication



Check **ClassDojo** for great photos and updates on what our wonderful students are learning in class. Please ensure that your notifications are on to get regular messages.



We encourage parents to use the free **School Bytes app**. If you need help downloading the app, please let us know as this is a very important source of school information. *Please make sure that your notifications are turned on*.



Both the School and Parents' **Facebook** pages have news, events, photos and updates.



Remember, it is vital that we receive a **doctor's certificate** for any student absences **2 days or longer**. This is in line with the Department's policies and is important for our records.

Together, we can make every school day count for our kids.