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# CUNDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Our Year 3 and 5 students have completed the NAPLAN assessment this week with the results being returned next term. The early assessment does assist in measuring student progress and strategic planning for improvement and extension activities in literacy and numeracy.

Our new school mascot is Bluey the Blue Tongue, as we often have our friendly blue tongue visit in the school gardens. The Bluey Awards will be part of our school behaviour and management system at our school reinforcing and focusing on positive behaviour and promoting the excellent role models we have at Cundletown PS. The values of; respect (be kind), collaboration (be a team player), resilience (be brave) and ownership (being responsible) taught across our K-6 school. I am very proud of our students and the way they engage with learning and how they enjoy being at school is wonderful to see. We have a great school!

Our term one school attendance is very good, the overall attendance rate is above the state average, however we can always aim high and increase our overall student attendance rate. Every day counts. Thank you to all our parents/cares who respond so quickly to the SMS and School byes app it really helps the daily roll marking procedures. The Home school Liaison officer visited the school this week checking rolls and student attendance and was impressed with our school attendance.

What's on this week; we celebrated Harmony day on Thursday and we will hold our primary cross country on Friday. Next week the P&C AGM and monthly meeting is being held Tuesday evening 6:15pm all welcome to attend and the Easter Hat parade is on Thursday 28th at 9:45am.

A special event for our bike and road safety program is the NRMA road show for our K-6 students. This special show does not visit regional areas often so we are fortunate to have a booking at no cost being held on 11th April in our school hall.

Thank you

Regards,

Nigel Sherrard  
Principal



## TERM 1 CALENDAR

### Week 9 (25th-29th March)

TUESDAY

P&C Meeting -AGM 6pm

THURSDAY

Easter Hat Parade 9:45am

FRIDAY

**Good Friday**

### Week 10 (1st April-5th April)

MONDAY

**Easter Monday**

FRIDAY

Infants Cross Country



# Easter Hat Parade

**THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024**

Parents, carers and friends are invited to come along to watch the annual Cundletown Public School Easter Hat parade.

**When:** 9:45am (for approximately 1 hour)

**Where:** Basketball court.

The P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn at the end of the parade.

Students are encouraged to make a hat at home and wear it on the day.



## GENERAL CONTRIBUTION

This years General Contribution is set at \$45.00 per student or \$80.00 per family. This is a voluntary fee and can be paid via School Bytes or at the office.

All contributions are greatly appreciated and help our school to purchase student resources.

## CANTEEN NEWS

## P&C NEWS

**Easter** is next week and donations towards our Easter Guessing Competition would be appreciated and can be left with the front office.

Our **AGM** meeting will be held **Tuesday 26th March 6pm in the staffroom**. All positions are open, if you wish to nominate you need to be at the meeting and have paid your affiliation fee (\$1 gold coin payment).

Mrs Lentini is getting a survey together to gauge if it would be beneficial to change our meetings to a different day in order to better suit new & existing members. Community input would be greatly appreciated and will be on the agenda for AGM.

We hope to see some new & old faces at our meetings which are an informative catch up on school business and fund raising activities.

**Upcoming Events** - AGM Tuesday 26th March. Easter Raffle and Mother's Day stall early Term 2.

Maree Eakin  
P&C President



**Hot Cross Bun and Milo Special**   
Available Monday, 4th March until  
Thursday, 28th March.



# STAGE 3 SPOTLIGHT

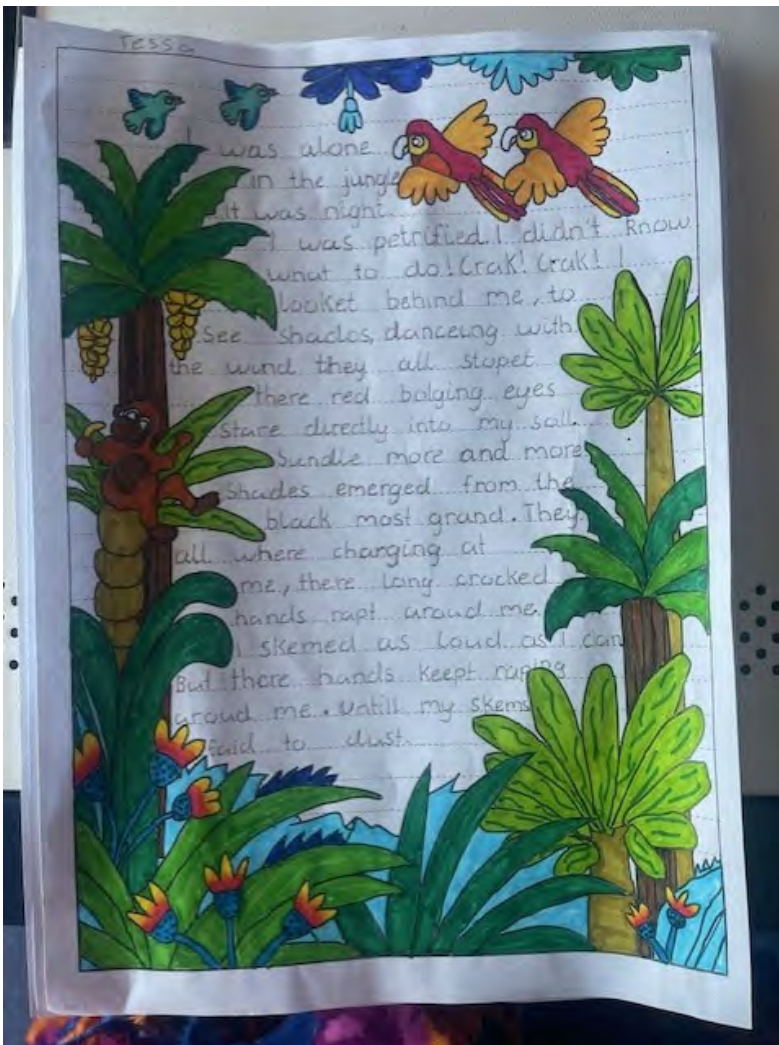
In the bustling classrooms of Stage 3, our young wordsmiths have embarked on an enchanting voyage inspired by Colin Thiele's timeless tale, "Storm Boy." Here's a glimpse into some of our writing. .

In our art lessons, brushes dance across paper as students explore the nuances of self-portraiture. Inspired by both historical and contemporary artists, they've captured their essence in strokes of color and shadow.



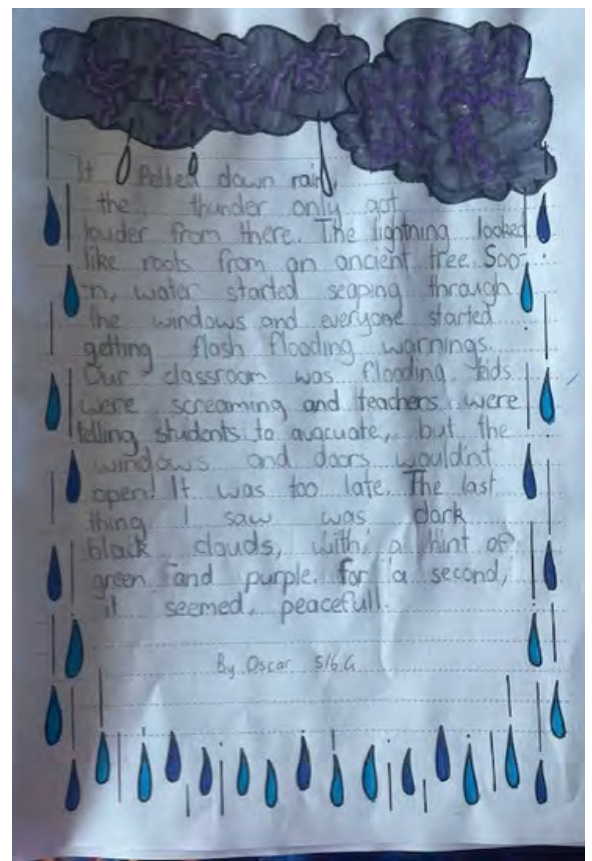
Wild Will is wild at heart. He is fast and quick. No one helps him, but he loves to nurture the Cattai Wetlands and its magical buzz of life. The grass is tussocky and moist. Wild Will is a boy of about ten at most. He has a long slim body. His shorts and pants are ragged and torn. His shoes are leather and well used. His skin is pale, almost translucent, and his bright brown hair is really scraggy. He enjoys taking bathes in the crystal-clear lake.

Will G 56P





## SPOTLIGHT STAGE 3



The only other man who lived anywhere near them, was a first nations Elderly man. He had wrinkles all over his body which made him look older than time itself. He had teeth whiter than the moon in the dark night sky, which shone in his jolly smile. He had a home by the shore of the Coorong - almost a mile away. -

Makenzie- 5/6C

Have your say... My new favourite thing is...



Jaydee 5/6P:

Naked Mole Rats.  
They are just so cute!



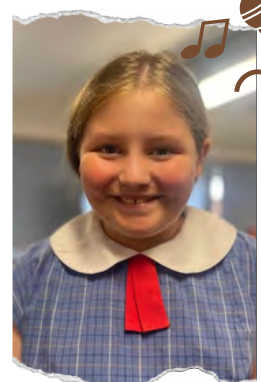
Layla: 5/6C  
Gymnastics, because  
I'm learning to do a  
back handspring



Lara 5/6G:  
Basketball, because I  
love shooting 3's.

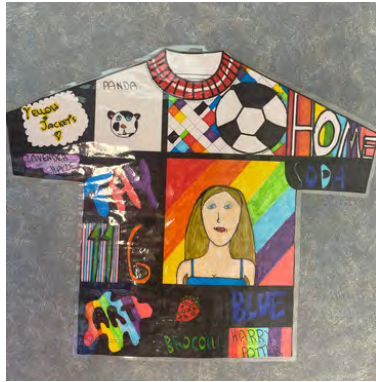


Zyra 4/5T: Singing,  
because it makes  
me peaceful.





## SPOTLIGHT STAGE 3



Jungle Jill lived in a small, ragged house resting on rusted metal stilts and overlooking the glassy lake in Cattai Wetlands. She lives with her mother named Jess. She has a grey scruffy dog, as wrinkly as a scrunched-up piece of paper, named Flash. Flash was trained to leave mother nature be and leave her in one piece. When the sun was setting it was like a painting in a museum. Jungle Jill is extremely protective of all the nature, greenery and all the creatures on her land. Thousands of vibrant birds fly over all the lily pads by her home every day letting out peaceful chirps whilst flying away. All of the thousands of bloomed flowers are like mini rainbows glaring in the sun. At dawn, all of the frogs croak in a satisfying pattern.

Olivia **5/6P**



The quality I most admire in others is honesty.

The 1st reason is because I like it when they tell you the truth like for e.g. When you ask your friend if you need to add or fix something up in your art they tell you the truth because if they don't in the end your art is bad. That is why my favourite quality in others is Honesty. – Georgia **5/6C**



# LEARNING *in* 4/5T

In 4/5T we have been very creative this term. We completed our name wall, with some amazing graffiti art. In our English unit we have explored Andy Griffiths Just Tricking book that has inspired some humorous stories using Andy's creative ideas for characters. Students discovered that Andy Griffith used to make and sell pocket books before he was a published author. He did this to earn some money, get some feedback on his stories, as well as to entertain the readers. The students were given the opportunity to create their own pocket books, which they enjoyed.

WHO KNOWS, WE COULD HAVE SOME FUTURE AUTHORS WITHIN OUR CLASS!





# HARMONY DAY





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## BLUEY REWARD RECIPIENTS



Infants - Casey Rouse  
Primary - Isaac Fulton



## RUGBY LEAGUE



Last Friday, our Stage 2 students had a taste of some Rugby League skills.





# SWIM SCHOOL

This week, the Year 2 students have been participating in an Intensive Swimming Program at the Aquatic Centre. Each day, students have been learning new skills and developing their swim strokes whilst having lots of fun.



# ZONE RUGBY LEAGUE



Congratulations to Aiden Morris in making it to the Hunter Trials for Rugby League.



# HOPSCOTCH



New addition to our school,  
Thank you Mr Nesbit.



# Every Day Matters

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:

## Learning



## Strengthening friendships



## Emotional development



When it comes to attending school,  
every day matters.

Scan the  
QR code to  
learn more

