



## Learning at its Best

### Language, Learning and Literacy

If your child is in K-2, you may notice that Ms Dunn, Ms Campbell, Ms Menz and Ms Skinner are regularly absent Wednesday afternoon. This is to attend Professional Learning (L3) that our school has strongly invested in, to ensure our students have the best possible learning opportunities. Our L3 teachers complete professional learning throughout the school year, including pop up workshops, demonstration lessons, supervised practice and on-the-job support.

Language, Learning and Literacy (often referred to as L3) is a program implemented by teachers to enhance the use of rich literacy experiences and systematic and explicit teaching. Students receive explicit instruction in reading and writing strategies in small groups in a daily literacy lesson. Students are then practising these strategies in independent or group tasks.

### Mathematics

We continue to implement TEN (Teaching Early Numeracy in

K-2 and TOWN (Taking Off with Numeracy in 3-4 classes) to complement the Prime Maths programs in our classes. Children look forward to the 10-minute sessions where they use flexible strategies to solve problems in an engaging way. Armed with early arithmetic strategies and a strong understanding of place value, children develop flexible thinking to apply mathematics and an improved ability 'number talk'.

### 'Tell Them From Me' Student Survey

Once again, our school is taking part in the 'Tell them from me' student survey. You will receive a note home today with information about the survey. If you DO NOT want your child to take part in the survey, please complete the form and return to school by Friday 23 March.

From my desk...

*Clare Crawford*



## ...3-way Interviews...



### 3-Way Interviews ~ Survey via SkoolBag

We appreciate your feedback. We have uploaded a quick survey on the Skoolbag App, please take a minute to complete.

**Simply open the app —> click on eforms —> Open the 3-Way interview Survey —> Complete and submit**



**Alternatively, complete and return the following slip (please circle):**

Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

1. From 1-5 (5 being the best) how would you rate the effectiveness of the 3-way interview process? 1 2 3 4 5

2. Did you find the presentation of evidence folders to be a useful tool in the interview? YES NO

3. Do you think the interviews were held during a suitable time in term 1? YES NO

4. What general improvements would you like to see: \_\_\_\_\_

# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

EVENT	CLASSES	ACTIVITY DATE	COST	Notes / Money due
<b>CRAZY HAIR DAY &amp; out of uniform</b> <i>but not too crazy</i>	All classes	Tuesday 20 March	Gold coin donation	On the day
Year 5 HSIE Gold Excursion	Year 5	Tuesday 20 March, Young	\$8	overdue
School Photos	All classes	Wednesday 21 March	Refer to note	10am Wed 21 March
<b>EASTER Hat Parade</b>	All welcome	Wednesday 28 March 10.50am in the hall		
Come Try Rugby League Gala Day	Years 3 - 6	Thursday 29 March	Free	

## ~ Assembly Awards ~



## ~ Science ~

In Mrs Ward's science lesson last Tuesday, Year 5 were investigating the effects of yeast in bread.





# A day in the life of...**YEAR ONE!!**

The students in Year 1 hit the ground running at the beginning of the term and haven't slowed down since!!

Each day, before we dive into our learning, we get our little bodies moving with a Go Noodle. We have learnt some killer dance moves!

Our morning sessions consist of an hour of reading activities and an hour of writing. During the first hour we read with either Miss Skinner or Mrs Dunstan and participate in a range of learning stations - fine motor and creative activities, Study Ladder on the computers, handwriting and word work/ comprehension activities based on a story we have read as a class.

In the second hour, we have been creating recounts about our weekends, favourite holidays and embarrassing moments. Our hard work is paying off, as we have seen a huge improvement in our writing in the last 7 weeks!

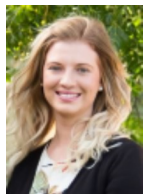
After lunch, Year 1 and Year 2 form small groups for ten minutes of TEN games (Targeting Early Numeracy). We then go back to our own classroom for our maths rotations. We are thoroughly enjoying the Prime Maths programme and its systematic approach to mathematics. We have received some **FANTASTIC** assessment results over the last two weeks which have allowed all of us to feel success in our learning.

Each afternoon we cover other Key Learning Areas such as History, Physical Development and Health, Science and Technology, Physical Education and Sport.

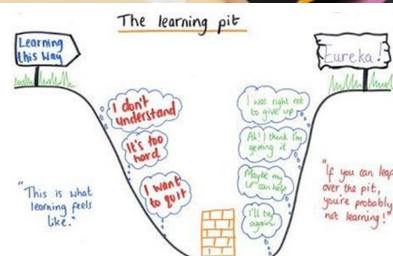
We have also had a few lessons on the concepts of having a 'Growth Mindset' and being in 'The Learning Pit'. The activities and discussions we have been participating in have enabled us to identify the feelings associated with learning new things and the importance of not giving up!

It has been great to observe a shift in the learning culture in our classroom and seeing students taking responsibility for their learning. These concepts have played a significant role in our improvements in writing and our success in maths. We are loving refining our skills, increasing our knowledge and growing our brains!

Miss Aimee Skinner ~ Year 1



It's  
**okay**  
to  
**not know,**  
but it's  
**not okay**  
to  
**not try.**



## P&C News

There was strong representation at the P&C Annual General Meeting which was held last Tuesday night. The meeting thanked outgoing president Treen Brooker, Vice President Nicole Woodhead and Treasurer Sandra Weston.

We welcome and congratulate new committee executive, President Emily Bowker, Vice Presidents Thomas Dunstan & Alison Guy and Treasurer Kellie Martin-Dye.



### Special Easter Lunch

The P&C are holding their annual Easter Special Lunch Day, this year we have added a morning tea option for parents carers, friends & grandparents who attend the Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 28 March. Pre-order forms will be sent home today.

#### Canteen

Thank you to this weeks canteen volunteers  
Monday 19 March—Nikki, Peggy & Sarah Prosser  
Wed 21 March — Gemma Callinan & Brianna Bramman  
Fri 23 March— Nikki, Corinne Johnson & Lou Muscat  
Baking—Sarah Prosser

#### MONDAY SPECIAL LUNCH ~ 26 March

Roast Chicken and gravy roll \$4.50

*Emily Bowker*

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*'Learn to Live'*



## Murrumburrah Public School Community News



Dear Parents,

Young Mobile Play would like to invite you to join us each fortnight at MPS.

We are part of the Young Preschool and run an educational based program. We set up an environment which has educational toys, craft activities, music and story session.



The session runs from 1.30pm until 3pm. ***Our next session is this Tuesday 20 March and again on Tuesday 3 April.***

We cater for children from newborns to school age.

The cost is \$4 for one child and \$7 for a family or an Annual Membership fee of \$20.

So please come along bring a friend and enjoy a cuppa.

Hope to see you there.

### Harden Soccer Club



#### Information Sessions

Harden Soccer Club will be holding two information sessions at the club house, Roberts Park on Friday 23 and Friday 30 from 4.30pm till 5.30pm. These information sessions are for parents or players who may need assistance with registration, have questions regarding registrations about the club or this years competition. Payment of registration fees can also be made for parent's who are not using the Active Kids Rebate.

If you cannot make this afternoon enquiries can be made to Greg Brown on 0408 229 450 or Allison Manwaring on 0429 193 453.

**Uniform Shop** Open **Thursdays** from **3.00pm** to **5.00pm**, to assist you with all your uniform needs.

### Well done to our home readers

