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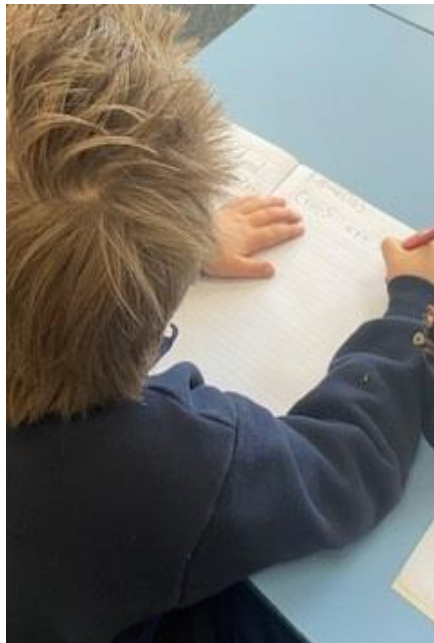
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

"I'd like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Gunai Kurnai land and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging as well as any Aboriginal people here with us today"

Dates to Remember

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| 7 Aug 3/4 Camp | 8 Aug 1/2 RM swimming 3/4 Camp | 9 Aug 1/2 RM swimming 3/4 Camp | 10 Aug 1/2 RM swimming | 11 Aug 1/2 RM swimming |
| 14 Aug | 15 Aug 1/2 RM swimming | 16 Aug 1/2 RM swimming Lowanna Transition Day Grade 6 ONLY Students normal drop off & pickup from NEPS | 17 Aug 1/2 RM swimming | 18 Aug 1/2 RM swimming NAIDOC Assembly 2.30pm All community welcome 5/6 Basketball |
| 21 Aug Last day for Krispy Kreme Orders | 22 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming Last day for Footy Day Orders | 23 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming | 24 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming | 25 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming BOOK WEEK Dress up & Parade |
| 28 Aug 1/2 RB swimming note home | 29 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming | 30 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming | 31 Aug 1/2 DE Swimming Footy Day | 1 Sep 1/2 DE Swimming |
| 4 Sept Dental forms last day | 5 Sept 1/2 RB Swimming Krispy Kreme Delivery 3.15pm | 6 Sep 1/2 RB Swimming | 7 Sep 1/2 RB Swimming | 8 Sep 1/2 RB Swimming PJ Day Gold coin donation |
| 11 | 12 1/2 RB Swimming | 13 Prep Melbourne Zoo Excursion | 14 1/2 RB Swimming R U OK Wear Yellow Day | 15 End Term 3 1.15pm Dismissal No buses Out of uniform |
| Term 3 Holidays Friday 15 th September – Sunday 1 st October. Term 4 begins Monday 2 nd October. HATS are required for Term 4 | | | | |
| October 2 Term 4 begins HATS HATS HATS ! | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

A Word from Mrs Skee This week I have had the absolute pleasure of getting out into classrooms and observing firsthand the outstanding teaching and learning that is happening in them. On Tuesday I paid a visit to our youngest learners, in prep DR and Prep PF. I observed a writing lesson in prep DR and a reading lesson in prep PF. Amongst the photos from our prep grades are some photos that shows the inspiring progress that has occurred in the writing space. Well done to our prep teachers, Mrs Debbie Richardson and Mrs Paige Frendo for their hard work and dedication to their students. Recognition also needs to go to our Educational support staff, Mrs Fiona Baldwin and Mrs Katie Xerri who work alongside the classroom teachers to support our students to be the very best learners they can be



Some before & after in Prep DR

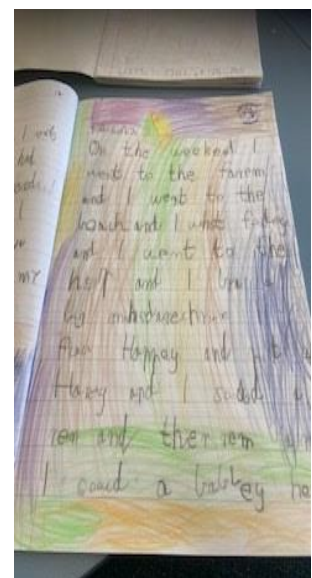
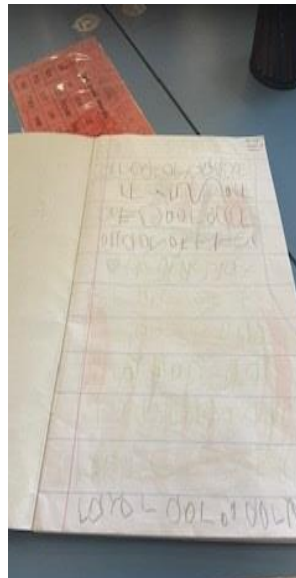
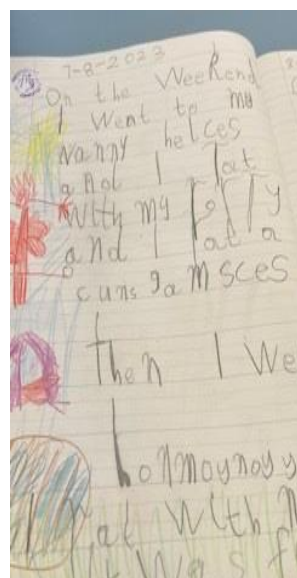
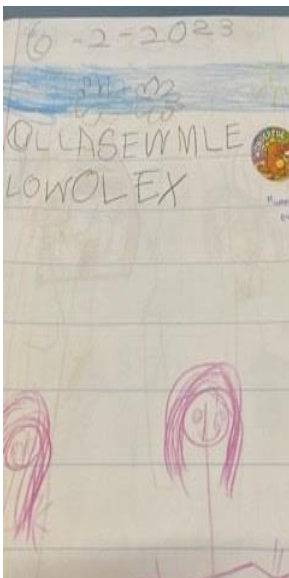
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& Alexis after!

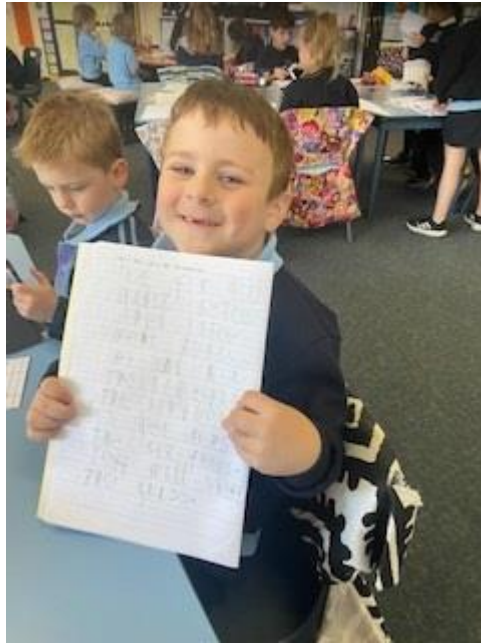
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A literacy lesson in prep PF



Harper came to visit me and shared with me her AMAZING writing and what she was learning.

Thankyou Harper for brightening my day with your big smile and your fantastic work!



Fairy Floss Big thankyou to our Senior Junior School Council who participated in a Learning workshop to upskill their Fairy Floss making skills. Thanks for the huge efforts last week from both staff and students. We sold more floss than ever before & had even made more bags than we normally do. We raised a whopping \$350 So to all of those whom supported us and ended up looking like smurfs we thank you. To any students who missed out we apologize & will endeavor to make even more bags next time of sugary goodness. 😊



During this week I (Mrs Skee) also had the opportunity to visit our senior classrooms to see their word study work in action. This is a photo of Mrs Young's 5/6 class during their word study work. This focuses on developing the student's phonics and vocabulary skills



GREEN HOUSE Congratulations to Green House students for winning last weeks award for highest points received !!!!!!!

Students of the week Congratulations !!!!



BOOK WEEK

Don't forget Book Week is coming up. Friday 25th August is the date of Book Week at NEPS. This day will begin with a dress up parade for all students p-6. Families are very welcome to come and spectate. It is great to hear students discussing their costume ideas already, as well as parents and carers sharing places that costume items can be obtained (some with minimal to no expense). It would be great to see as many students and staff dressed up on this special day as possible.

Volunteers

If you (or someone you know) would like to volunteer at NEPS please contact your child's teacher or me via Julie.skee@education.vic.gov.au. ALL volunteers will need a current working with children's check.

2023 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

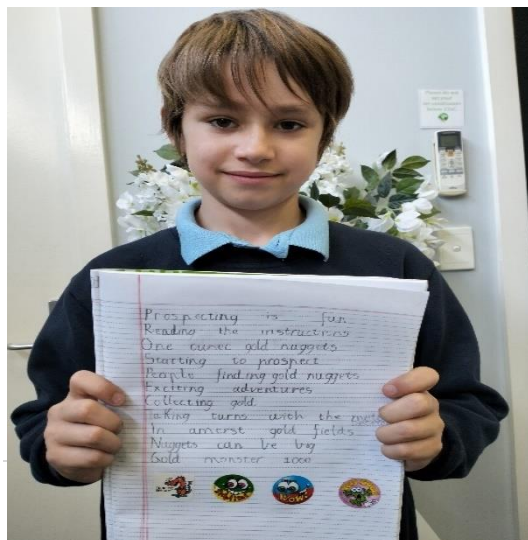
Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families, who have been randomly selected, to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents / caregivers / guardians has been selected to participate in this year's survey.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.** Parent / Caregiver / Guardian's who have been randomly selected will be sent out a survey link.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

Please contact the school office if you would like more information.



Great work in the 3/4 class

Congratulations to Hunter for fantastic growth in his writing skills this week. Job well done for all your hard work in class.

NEPS NAIDOC WEEK

14th - 18th August

FOR OUR ELDERS

Mon – Thurs: All students will be participating in indigenous themed activities within their classroom

Friday 18th Aug: Come dressed in indigenous designed clothing or colours
Students will be creating a class Songline on Canvas

2:30pm: Whole School Assembly

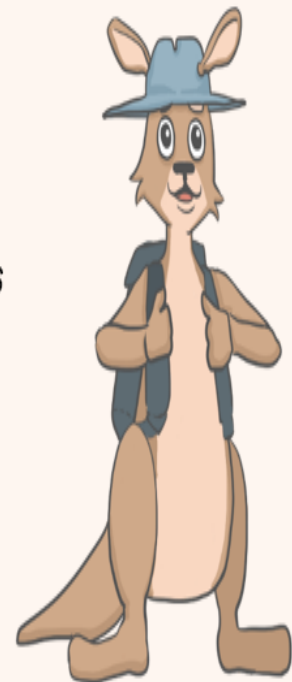
@ the Undercover Area

(Family and Friends are invited to attend)

-Welcome to Country

-Smoking Ceremony

-Presentation of Classroom Songlines on Canvas



Krispy Kreme Fundraiser



NEPS is once again having a Krispy Kreme fundraiser. Order forms were sent home with the youngest in the family this week.

There are 4 options available to choose from:

- Original Glazed Dozen \$24
- Fundraiser Assorted Dozen \$32.
- Chocolate Delight Dozen \$32
- Strawberry Delight Dozen \$32

Money and forms are due back no later than **Monday 21st August**.

Sorry no late orders can be accepted. Spare forms will be available from the stand in the office foyer.

Delivery will be **Tuesday 5th September in the library at 3.15pm.**



\$24.00

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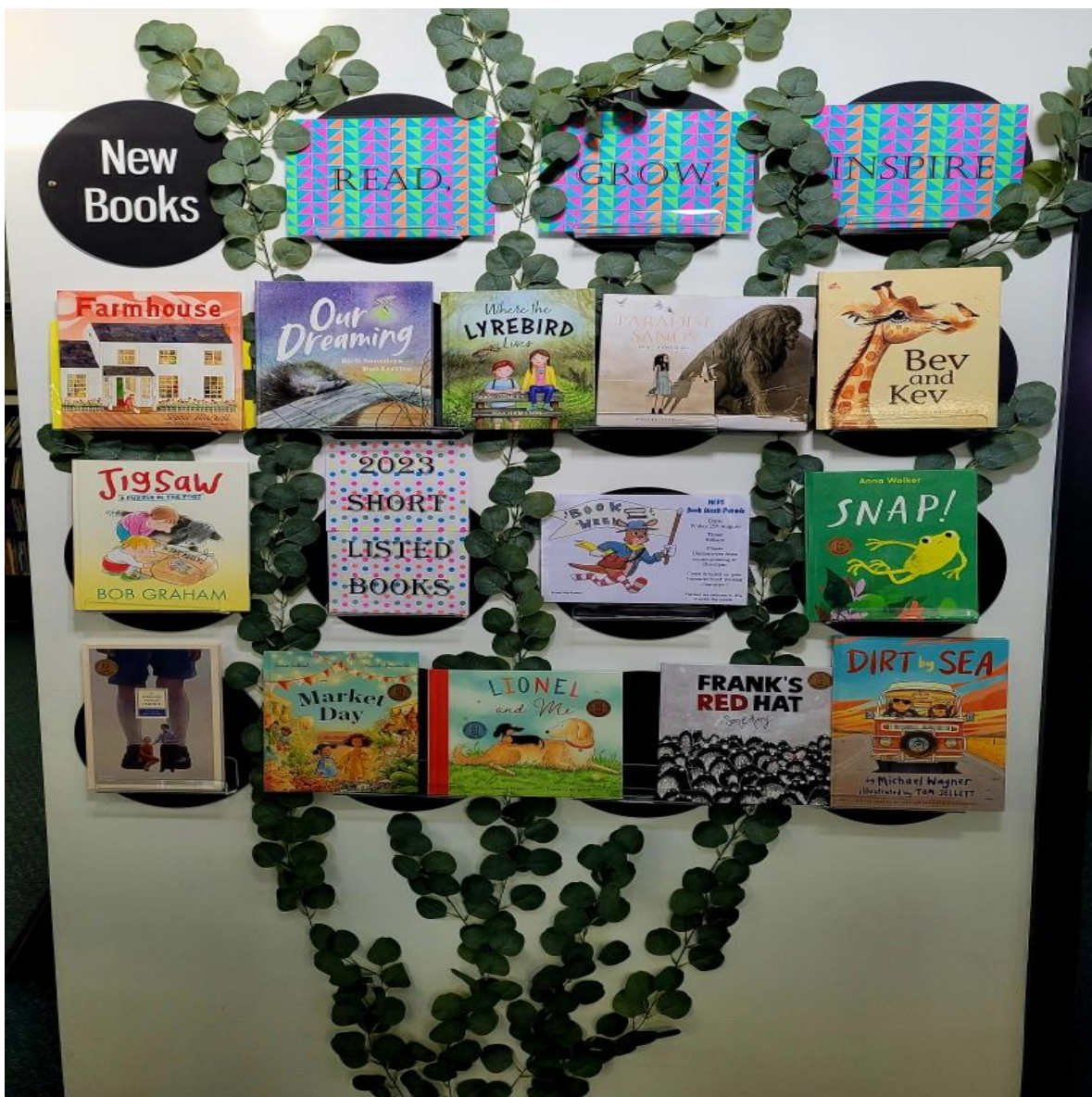
Strawberry
Delight Dozen



Froggy Habitat

Last week some students found a froggy at recess. So quick as a flash a shout out to **Habitat Creations** and they donated some plants for the new aquatic environment, in the Steve Gray garden. The frogs will be very happy thank you to our local businesses for their support





Book Week Display

The theme this year is Read/Grow/Inspire

These are some of the books shortlisted for Children's Book Council of Australia 2023. Our students will be using these books in conjunction with Art classes to create masterpieces to be displayed in our hallways. Our teachers will be using them for class lessons and fun activities.

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CRAZY HAIR DAY

