



# Newsletter

# Week 3 Term 3

DATES TO REMEMBER	
Friday 14 August	SRC & Green Team hosting MFPS virtual assembly – link to be advised
Monday 10 - Friday 14 August	Scholastic Book Fair
Saturday 15 - Sunday 23 August	National Science Week
During August	ICAS English, Science, Dig Tech
Tuesday 25 & Thursday 27 August	Yr. 3 & 4 Touch Football Gala Days
Wednesday 2 September	Indigenous Literacy Book Swap fundraiser
Wednesday 2 & Thursday 3 September	Miles Franklin Art Show
Tuesday 1 & Friday 4 September	Father's Day Stall

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### HATS ON

As it is now August hats are meant to be worn again when outside. We will be doing soft reminders over the next couple of weeks and then children will need to sit in the shade if they don't have a hat.

### NATIONAL TREE DAY

We were delighted to host the Media team from the Directorate in the first week of term. They filmed members of the Green Team talking about how trees were important to them and why we must protect our trees. You can see this on the ACT Education Directorate's and Minister Berry's Facebook pages (there is also a link to this on our Facebook page).

### SCENARIO PLANNING FOR INCREASED COVID CASES IN CANBERRA

I'd like to begin by stating I am optimistic that there won't need to be any changes and we will progress through the term and semester without incident. However, as I am sure you understand, it is prudent to reflect on what we learnt from the previous lockdown in April and remote learning in May to be prepared should there be a return to the conditions we were experiencing in March. The following are general guidelines on the ACT approach which is very similar to what happens in NSW if a case is known within the school. If there is a case in the school, the school is likely to be shut, cleaned and then prepared for children to return in as short a time as possible, probably just a few days. If there is widespread transmission in Canberra and it becomes necessary to go to remote learning then we will support parents who need to send their children to school and supervise them here as well as supporting those learning from home. Before and after school care will continue. Whilst March was not long ago, we've all learnt a little (or a lot!) from the experience and are not apprehensive of being able to manage this as a school. However, our preference is the continuation of school-based teaching and learning for all. We are not discussing this with your children, although if they ask we are happy to explain, as we want to continue with 'business as usual' for as long as possible.

## P&C MEETING

On Wednesday night the P&C discussed P&C events for the remainder of the year. The main issues are around the number of adults allowed on school sites. At the end of Term Two it was hoped we would be able to go to the next stage where all parent and fund-raising activities could recommence. Due to what has happened in other states, we have had to hold-off on this. Our difficulty, as a community, is how long these restrictions will continue for. We are still planning, in hope, of being able to run the Preschool Fun Day and the Fete but these circumstances are out of our control. We are working out how we might be able to organise an online Music Festival (our 35<sup>th</sup> annual event!) and have a little bit of time to work out how we would do our Music Scheme Christmas Concert.

Chris

# IB Learner Profiles

**Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving IB Learner Profile certificates on Friday 14 August 2020.**

**Well done!**

Classes	Students		
K Davis	Noah C	Sierra G	Remy S
K McGarity	Rhys W	Heidi J	George P
K Stewart	Toby S	Neve C	Quinn C
1 Bourne	Jasmine P	Georgia B	Joseph B
1 Packard	Oliver A	Gozie D	Everett G
1 Prunster	Dane S	Lachlan M	Eva B
2 Holland	Charlie H	Matthew D	Ryan E
2 McGruer	Ayan K	Faseeh H	
2 Morris	Oliver L	Raymond B	Ryaan
3 Marshall	Oliver S	Owen B	Zara M
3 Nuttall	Isabella S	Syamill M	Wrenn H
3 Bullock	Zac L	Zara K	Benji B
4 Brennan	Peter V-K	Josie W	Andrew Q
4 Fletcher	Isaac B	Ahren P	Mahli P
4 Malusa	Isla P	Nelson M	Elizabeth D
5 Dorsett	Jack K	Tammy C	Kaede B
5 Dykes	Tilly M	Riley Q	Kloe S
5 Sybert	Melanie A	Rubin H	Ethan S
6 Sweeney	Charlie Y	Dallas S	Caleb R
6 Kragh	Oliver W	Jye G	Cassie W
6 Maxwell	Abdullah I	Ben M	Natacha N
EALD Hudson	Abdullah I	Haila R	Bashar A

## Zoo Excursion

# Year 1

After postponing the excursion in Term 1, Year 1 finally got to visit the zoo! We came prepared with lots of questions to help us do research for our information reports. It was an amazing and exhausting day.



## How We Express Ourselves

In our yearlong unit, we have started learning about how we can express ourselves through dance, drama and music. We thought reflectively about how these forms of expression connect with more common types like writing and making art. We are enjoying being creative and getting to perform our own dance, drama and music creations for each other.



## Money

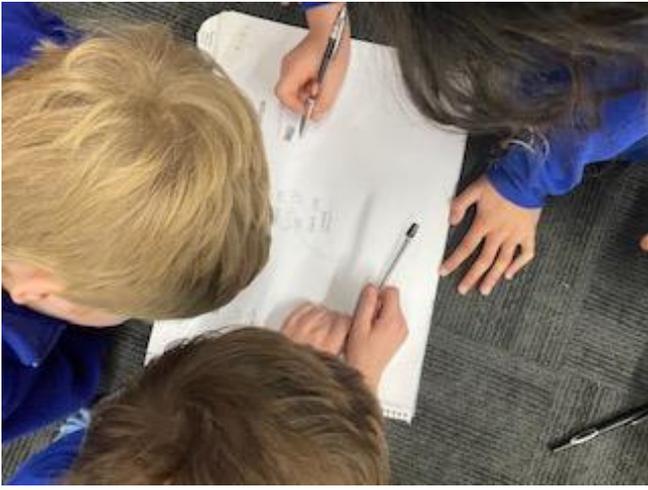
We have been inquiring into money and practising the skills we need to use it, like skip counting. We have mainly focussed on Australian money, but we were very interested to learn about different types of money from around the world and how it has different values.





This Term in **Year 2** we are learning about How the World Works. We are exploring and manipulating forces through a variety of exciting experiments.

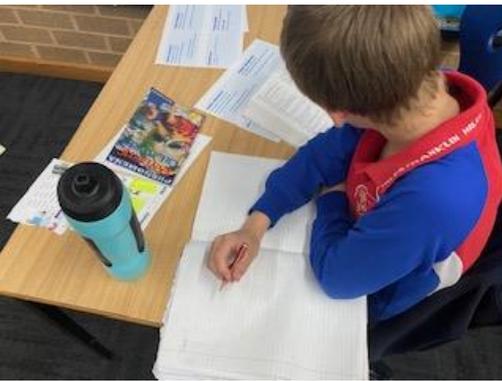




## SPELLING THROUGH INQUIRY AT MILES

Spelling through inquiry using the Triple Word Theory at Miles allows our children to investigate, build knowledge and use new spelling skills, while building their vocabulary.

Spelling investigations and learning starts in Kinder and continues to Year 6. Children learn together during explicate teaching, small group and individual sessions, while allowing time to share their new learning and skills with each other.



HWO Inquiry Words		
groups	random	organize
communities	chaos	column
interpret	leadership	tempt
order	creation	contribute
empathy	understanding	discipline
include	inside	participate
strength	communicate	team
	unity	struggle



## FATHER'S DAY STALL COMING SOON!

The stalls for Father's day will be held on Friday 4 September in the hall and Tuesday 1 September for Preschool early week classes. The stalls are a fun way for the kids to get something great for dad and raise money for the P&C at the same time! Please donate a dad friendly item and leave it in the tub in your child's classroom at any time up until Friday 28 August. A flyer will be going home this week with some gift ideas for each year group.

We can always use volunteers to help on the day of the stalls and we would love to have you there – the smaller children especially need your help deciding what to buy. Volunteers are very welcome anytime on 4 September between 8.45am and 1.00pm (even for 30 mins). Please email [leesa.chris@bigpond.com](mailto:leesa.chris@bigpond.com) or post on the school's facebook page to let us know that you can help out. Or just come down to the school hall on Friday morning after kids have gone in to class to help us make a great stall for the kids!

Thanks!

Leesa and Rachel

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1<sup>ST</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup>

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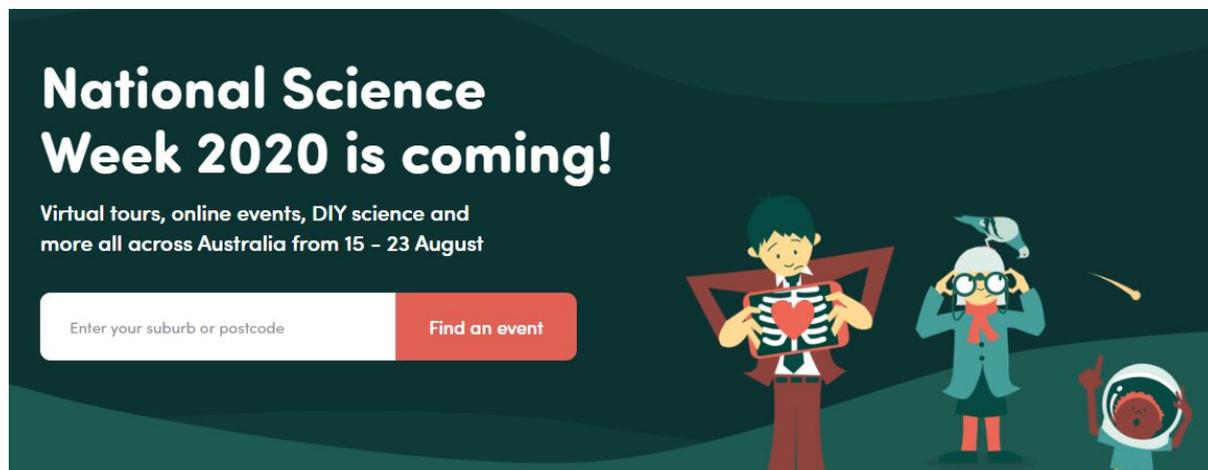
THE STALL IS A FUN WAY FOR THE KIDS TO GET SOMETHING RAD FOR DAD AND RAISE MONEY FOR THE P&C, BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PLEASE DONATE A DAD-FRIENDLY, LOW-COST ITEM (\$5 OR LESS) AND LEAVE IT IN THE TUB IN YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM BY FRIDAY 28 AUGUST

ON THE FLYER YOUR CHILD BRINGS HOME THIS WEEK YOU'LL SEE GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR EACH YEAR GROUP

## NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK: HOME

Check it out to find a Science event near you



**National Science Week 2020 is coming!**

Virtual tours, online events, DIY science and more all across Australia from 15 – 23 August

Enter your suburb or postcode **Find an event**

The banner features three cartoon characters: a boy holding a heart-shaped skeleton, a girl with glasses and a hat, and a boy with a red helmet. The background is dark green with a white comet streak.

### Miles Franklin fundraiser Help close the literacy gap Wednesday 2 September Great Book Swap



#### What is the *Great Book Swap*?

The *Great Book Swap* is a fantastic way to celebrate reading locally, and raise much-needed funds for remote communities. Schools, workplaces, libraries, universities, book clubs, individuals and all kinds of organisations can host one. The idea is to swap a favourite book in exchange for a gold coin donation.

In these uncertain times organising an event might seem strange, however the vast majority of Great Book Swaps happen on Wednesday 2 September, Indigenous Literacy Day. By registering to host a Great Book Swap at your school or workplace you are playing a vital role in raising much-needed funds for our programs. You will be actively helping us gift 35,000 new, carefully chosen books to children who need them the most.





## MILES FRANKLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2020

### Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- **Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.**

The theme of our Scholastic Book Fair is **Arctic Adventure**, where we hope you will find “**snow much to read!**”

It's a fun reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level.

Book Fair dates: **Monday 10 to Friday 14 August 2020**

Shopping hours: 8.30-9.00am and 11.30-11.50pm **\*\*\* STUDENTS ONLY \*\*\***

We look forward to a successful Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.



## MILES FRANKLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2020

This year Scholastic Book Fair will be run a little differently from previous years. Due to Covid19 restrictions **only students** will be allowed to view the Book Fair.

### BOOK FAIR WISH LIST PREPAYMENTS

When your child brings home a Book Fair Wish List slip and you want to pay for their selection by credit card in advance, please:

1. Go to [www.scholastic.com.au /payment](http://www.scholastic.com.au/payment)
2. Click "Book Fairs"
3. Enter your details and amount to pay
4. Record receipt number on the back of the Wish List
5. Your child will then bring this payment record back to school, choose the books from the Book Fair display and their Wish List with receipt number will be accepted by the cashier as paid.

**Alternatively, if a cash payment is preferred, it will also be accepted.**

If books are unavailable at the time of purchase, a back-order will be filled with the book being supplied at a later date (usually takes one week for backorders to be delivered to the school)



## MILES FRANKLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2020

### Book Fair contest for students

THEME: "SNOW MUCH TO READ"

At home design an item to promote the Book Fair in Week 4 of Term 3

Ideas you could use with the "Snow Much to Read" theme:

- Design a book-mark or a book cover
- Make a puppet
- Create a mask
- Design a poster to advertise the book fair
- Write a poem or story
- Write a book review
- Use your imagination to create any item of your choice

Prizes will be awarded for the most creative work for each year level from preschool to Year 6.

Prizes include books, posters, pencils, erasers and bookmarks.

DUE DATE: Wednesday 12 August 2020