



Congewai News

Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 3

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Diary Dates

Term 4

Week 4

6 November

Imaginaturalists Incurion

Week 5

9 November

Hunter Valley Zoo Excursion

12 November

Mt View HS Taster Lessons

13 November

Imaginaturalists Incurion

Week 6

20 November

Imaginaturalists Incurion

Cessnock High School Sport Day

Week 7

27 November

Imaginaturalists Incurion

Week 8

1 December

MtView HS Orientation Day

Cessnock HS Orientation Day

4 December

Imaginaturalists Incurion

Week 9

9 December

Presentation Day

10 December

Year 6 Farewell Lunch

Staff Meeting: Wednesday

8:45-9:15a.m.

Hi Everyone,

A Chat With Dr Karl

The students had an amazing time chatting with Dr Karl yesterday. They are working on a report outlining their time spent with him. This will be included in the next newsletter.

Cooking



Last Friday we enjoyed cooking with our garden harvest of *boutique style* (very small) cabbages and peas. Savoury Mince was a great hit with all; students giving it ten out of ten for flavour! Good to see so many veges being consumed in this healthy bowl of goodness! And they were good at doing the dishes too!





Giving

Our big idea for this term, which will be a running theme across learning in all KLA's is GIVING. We are looking at Why we give? Who do we give to? Who gives to us? What do we give?

Part of our launch for this term involved cooking apple sauce – something we could give.

Slime Play

Miss Kirsty knows the way to a kids heart....slime!!!

Thanks Miss Kirsty for helping to make Fridays fun!

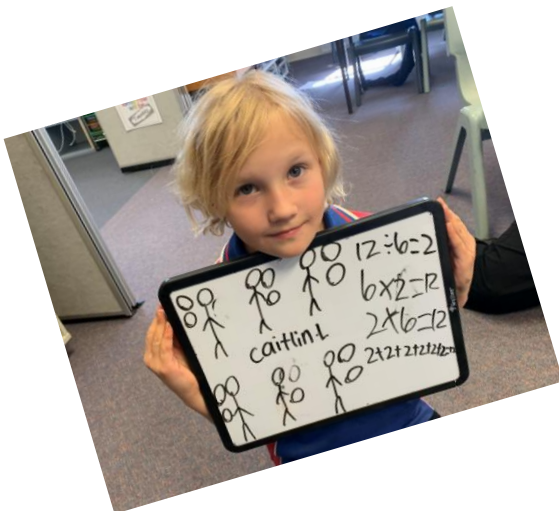


Imaginaturalist

Due to popular demand, we are participating in the Imaginaturalist program again this term with a focus on botany. Students have been highly engaged in observations, drawing and note-taking about the plant-life within our school. Can't wait to see our end of term project as it comes to fruition.

Maths

We continue to work hard on our maths this term, building number sense which is the foundation for all maths learning. We draw our maths problems, count in lots of different ways and discuss our thinking with our peers. These skills are all important for developing flexible thinking so that we can solve and problems and check our solutions in a number of different ways.



Zoo Excursion

Money and notes are rolling in for our upcoming zoo excursion. Students have been engaged in reading, writing, and discussing informational texts this term with a focus on how we can give back to our environment. Our excursion will be an opportunity to view and experience informational texts in the environment. We are very much looking forward to getting out and about. Covid restrictions and guidelines will be met.

End of Term Rewards Days

As a feature of our **Positive Behaviours for Learning** framework, we celebrate student success throughout and at the end of each term. Last term students went wild with excitement for their mud run. It was great to see their excitement and enthusiasm as well as their resilience as they faced this new challenge with complete positivity.

We are already planning some awesome adventure for the end of this term and are reminding students that it is maintaining positive behaviour that entitles them to participate in these celebrations. We ask that you have these conversations with your children at home also to ensure they receive consistent messaging.



PBL

Our behaviour theme for this term is personal responsibility. We aim to nurture in students, a greater sense of understanding of how they can be more responsible for their own belongings and the belongings of others. It was great to see students taking responsibility for their own dishes after our cooking session on Friday. We are encouraging students to take greater steps towards independence in the home as well, doing things to help out like cooking, dishes and cleaning up after themselves.

Gold Award

Congratulations Mia on achieving your Gold Award! We are very proud of you for the behaviours you are demonstrating and the progress you are making in your learning.



Disturbing Social Media

I am sure you have all heard about some of the very disturbing images that have been on Social media just recently, the following advice has been provided by the DoE. Advice for Parents in limiting students' exposure to harmful online content:

- Engage in your child’s online activity and discuss the types of apps, websites and games they are viewing to ensure content is age-appropriate
- Make use of parental control on devices to help limit your child’s online exposure
- Help your child report and block inappropriate content on social media or apps
 - Encourage your child to talk to you about anything upsetting they view online
- Visit www.esafety.gov.au for further advice on apps, social media and online safety issues.

Melinda Stokes

Principal



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving an Award.

BRONZE: Olive, Abigail C, Gabrielle, Mia, Caitlyn, Laura

SILVER: Mia, Gabrielle

GOLD: Mia



CONGEWAI POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARD SYSTEM

4 CLASS AWARDS	=	BRONZE AWARD
2 BRONZE AWARDS	=	SILVER AWARD
2 SILVER AWARDS	=	GOLD AWARD
2 GOLD AWARDS	=	PRINCIPAL AWARD
2 PRINCIPAL AWARDS	=	MEDALLION



Congewai Public School
wishes Mr Blake a very happy birthday
for 16 November.

