

# Melton Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 24th June. 2024

**FREE Events these winter holidays!**



1 - 12 JUL

## The Kids Explorer Bus

Children ride free on the Kids Explorer Bus during the school holidays.



UNTIL 6 OCT

## Ancient Egypt for Kids

A free exhibition for kids with objects, hands-on activities, and cinematic screenings.



28 - 30 JUN

## Firelight Festival

Melbourne's epic winter festival returns to Docklands for three fiery nights.



1 - 13 JUL

## Road to Zero Scavenger Hunt

Explore the digital Road to Zero gallery and work together to solve the Scavenger Hunt.

**Botanic Gardens**

**National Gallery  
Victoria**

**Docklands**

**Zero  
Gallery**

# From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## **Lightning Premiership**

There were hits, kicks, shots and catches. Some games were won and some were lost, but overall, our students had a sensational time competing in the lightning premiership round robin day. Congratulations to all of the students who attended and represented the school in either netball, tee-ball or football. You are to be commended on your excellent behaviour and sportsmanship. A special thank you to Mrs Speranza for her coordination of this day. Thank you to the staff that attended, supervised and umpired on the day: Mrs Borg, Ms Morrissy, Mr Strachan, Mr Hunt, Mr Wheelahan and Ms Speranza.

## **Pie Drive**

Thank you to all of the families who purchased pies from our pie drive, we hope that you enjoy these on a cold winter's night. Thank you to Mrs Sutherland for her coordination of the pie drive and to the helping hand parents who assisted with sorting and distributing the pies: Karen Wicks, Megan Coulson, Michelle Ferguson, Hannah Young and Michelle Hardess.

## **Crazy Hair Day**

Bright colours, bows, pipe cleaners, ribbons and wigs assisted our students to put on an array of styles for our crazy hair day last week. There was tall hair, short hair, hair shaped as cupcakes, drinks and food. Our families are to be thanked for the effort that they went to in creating wonderful hair designs. Congratulations on raising \$406.60, with all of the funds being donated to youth homelessness through the charity "Kids Undercover." Thank you to Ms Timpani and Mrs Zapparoni for their coordination of this fundraiser and to the SRC for their promotion of this event.

## **Grade 5 City Camp**

Today the Grade 5 students left for a fun filled adventure to Melbourne city. The students will learn to navigate their way around the city, whilst participating in some of the sensational learning activities that the city has to offer. We wish the Gr5's a great camp!

# From the Principal's desk

## Key contacts should you or your family need support

Lifeline (Crisis Support) 13 11 14

Beyond Blue (Counselling and Support) 1300 22 4636

Kids Helpline (Support for children and young people aged 5-25) 1800 55 1800

Child and Family Services (Connecting families to resources and support) 5337 3333

The Orange Door (Support for Family Violence) [Visit https://orangedoor.vic.gov.au](https://orangedoor.vic.gov.au)

Safe Steps (Support for women and children who are victims of family violence) 1800 015 188

MensLine Australia (Counselling service for men with family and/or relationship issues) 1300 78 99 78

Child Protection (For children and young people whose safety is at risk) 13 12 78

## Premiers' Reading Challenge

Don't forget to log books in the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge. Instructions on how to this are located further on in the newsletter. Your child's teacher will have sent home the your child's log in details.

## Parent Teacher Meetings - Monday 15th July - Student Free Day

Families will be shortly asked to book in for a student led conference with classroom and specialist teachers via Compass. This will be your opportunity to discuss with your child and their teacher, their performance and future learning. Monday 15th July is the day where students do not attend normal school, but only with the parent for Parent Teacher meetings.

## End of term

The end of term is approaching fast. **Students will finish term 2 on Friday 28th June at 2:30pm.** If you are unable to collect your child/ren at this time, please ensure that you make alternate arrangements for their care. We wish all of our families a wonderful holiday break.

Vanessa Harrison

Principal

# Key Dates for Term 2, 2024

## June

- 24th - 26th Grade 5 City Camp
- 25th -  $\frac{5}{6}$  Soccer tournament - selected students
- 27th - Winter warmer fundraiser
- 28th - Grade 3-6 Athletics Carnival
- 28th - Student Reports available via Compass
- 28th - Last day of term - 2:30pm finish

### School Holidays

29th June - 14th July



# Key Dates for Term 3, 2024

## July

- 15th - Parent Teacher Meetings
- 19th - Melton Minis
- 24th - Gr 6 Divisional Soccer - selected students
- 25th - Gr 6 Divisional Netball - selected students
- 25th -  $\frac{3}{4}$  AFL 9's - selected students
- 29th - Foundation 2025 Orientation Session

## August

- 1st - Cookie Dough Fundraiser commences
- 2nd - Melton Minis
- 7th - MPSSA District Athletics - selected students
- 15th - Grade 6 Graduation Photo
- 16th - Curriculum Day - No students required at school
- 19th - 23rd Book Week
- 19th - 21st Grade 4 Phillip Island Camp
- 20th - 23rd Author Visit - Amy Adeney
- 21st - District Athletics
- 23rd - Melton Minis



Sensational Attendance

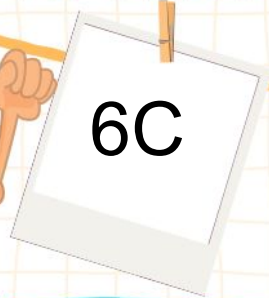
# ATTENDANCE



LAST FORTNIGHT

## CONGRATULATIONS

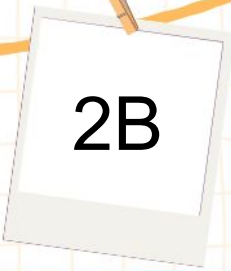
## TO THE FOLLOWING GRADES



6C



5A



2B



IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE AWAY  
enter an absence on Compass or  
phone 9753 5335 and select 1 to leave a message

### WHEN DO ABSENCES BECOME AN ISSUE?



**SATISFACTORY**  
9 or fewer days

**WARNING SIGNS**  
10 to 17 days

**CHRONIC ABSENCE**  
18 or more days



# 2024 Parent Teacher Conferences are open.

## How to book on a computer

### Log in and make a booking

Welcome back, Sablat  
Magic P-12 College

Stephen CORNFOOT

- Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)
- Send email to Stephen's teachers
- Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)
- View Academic Reports
- Order Photos

Euan ABERCROMBIE

- Profile (Attendance, Schedule)
- Send email to Euan's teachers
- Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)
- Order Photos
- Book Parent Student Teacher Conference**
- 4 overdue learning tasks

Interim Report #2 Parent Teacher Conferences

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## Making a booking

The user can click the notification to proceed to make a booking.

To access all their conference cycles, they can click the Community menu (two people icon) and choose 'Conferences'.

When they click the notification, they will be taken into that specific cycle. If a Description was included in the cycle settings, the user will see this information. They can click either 'Start Booking Now' or 'Show me How to Book' to proceed'.

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**Welcome**

Welcome to Interim Report #2 Parent Teacher Conferences

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Interim Report #2 Parent Teacher Conferences. We encourage you to make bookings with your child's teachers to discuss their progress to date. Parent Teacher conferences are a key aspect of maintaining supportive communication for your child between school and home. Light refreshments will be provided. Kind regards, Albus Dorely Principal

Margaret ATWOOD

Teachers

- Cuthbert BINNS  
English  
Interview Welcome
- Bathsheda BABBLING  
Student Leadership Meetings  
Interview Welcome

**Confirm Booking**

**Reason:** English

**Staff Member:** Cuthbert BINNS

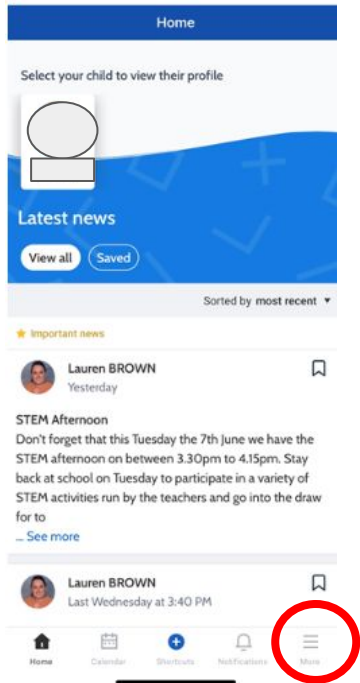
**Student:** Margaret ATWOOD

**Time:** Wednesday, May 8 2019 - 06:25 PM

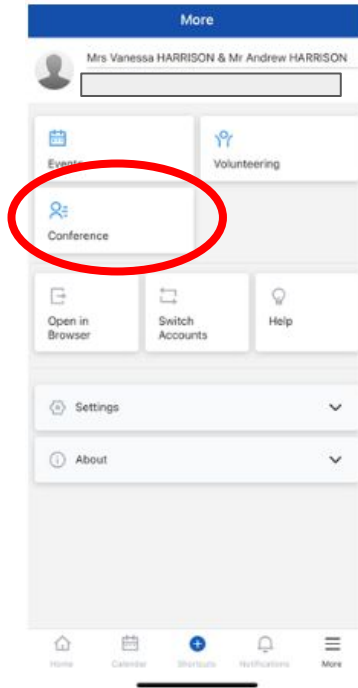
**Interpreter:** None Required

Repeat for each child

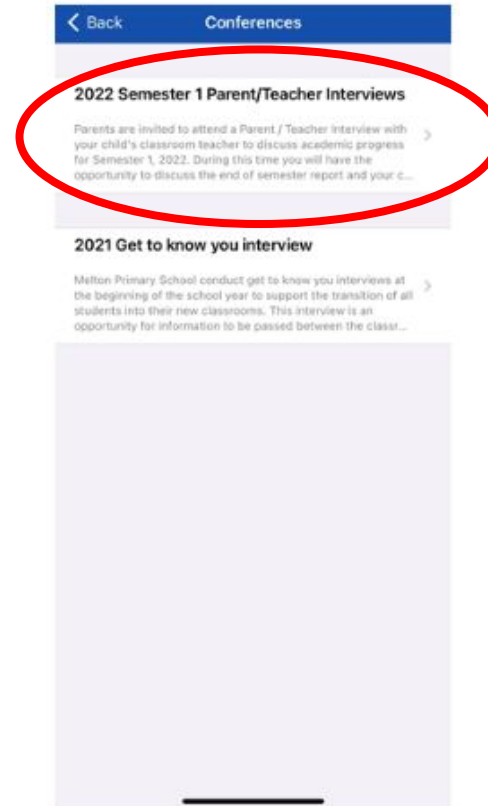
**2024 Parent Teacher Conferences are open.**  
**How to book on the APP**  
**Log in and make a booking**



1. Click on MORE in the bottom right corner



2. Click on CONFERENCE in the middle of screen



3. Click on 2024 SEMESTER 1

4. Click on THE AVAILABLE DAY AND TIME THAT SUITS YOU

Repeat for each child

# 2025 Foundation Enrolments

## Statewide timeline for Foundation (Prep) enrolments. Steps to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) for the 2025 school year

To start primary school in 2025, your child will need to turn 5 years old by 30 April 2025. Schooling is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old. If your child is starting Foundation (Prep) in 2025, you will be able to apply to enrol your child in a Victorian government primary school from the start of Term 2, 2024 (Monday 15 April 2024).

### What you need to do:

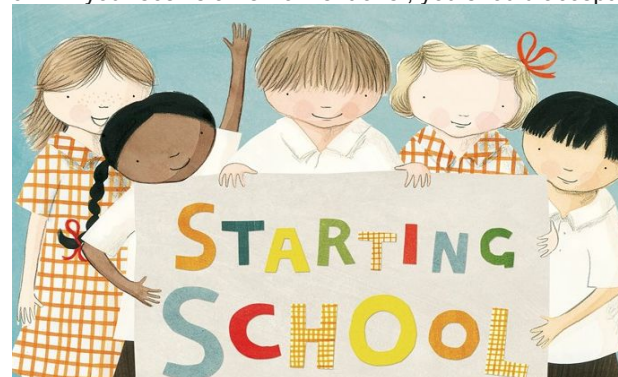
1. Use [Find my School](#) to locate your designated neighbourhood school (referred to as your local school) and other nearby government schools.
2. Contact a government primary school to book a school tour or to learn more about the school and the enrolment application process.
3. Download the 'Foundation (Prep) Enrolment Information Pack for Parents and Carers.' The pack will be available from Monday 15 April 2024 and will include an application form. The school may also provide you with a copy of the form to complete.
4. Submit an enrolment application for Foundation (Prep) by Friday 26 July 2024.
5. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between Monday 29 July and Friday 9 August 2024. If you receive an enrolment offer, you should accept the offer by Friday 23 August 2024.
6. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions during Term 4, 2024.
7. Your child will start Foundation (Prep) from Wednesday 29 January 2025.

Enrolment applications submitted after 26 July 2024 will be processed by the school as they are received, in accordance with the Department of Education's Placement Policy.

Your child has a right to enrol at their local school. Your child's local school is determined on the basis of their permanent residential address. Visit [Find my School](#) to locate your child's local school.

The [enrolling in a school](#) page can also help you to confirm your child's address for enrolment.

If you are seeking to apply to enrol your child in a school that is not their local school, you should read about [school zones](#) and how they work and how applications are prioritised using the Department of Education's Placement Policy found on the [enrolling in a school](#) page.







MELTON CITY LIBRARIES  
**SHORT STORY  
COMPETITION**

Entries open from 6 May to 12 July 2024  
[MELTON.VIC.GOV.AU/MCLSHORTSTORY](https://melton.vic.gov.au/mclshortstory)

MELTON  
CITY  
LIBRARIES



The Melton Library short story competition has started!  
The competition is running from the 6th of May to the 12th of July.

If your child loves writing, please enter in this great competition for your chance to win some prizes. Entries can be through text, illustration, video, verse, voice or a combination of all the above.

The library is also hosting little writers workshops on Wednesdays to help encourage your child's writing imagination.

Please encourage your child to enter!

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## LITTLE WRITERS

Create imaginative worlds, colourful characters and stories that leap off the page! We'll have you on the way to writing a book of your very own in no time. For kids aged 7-14.

Wednesdays • 4pm to 4.45pm • Online

**BOOKINGS REQUIRED**  
VISIT [LIBRARYEVENTS.MELTON.VIC.GOV.AU](https://libraryevents.melton.vic.gov.au)  
OR CALL 9747 5300



# 8 steps to logging books for the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/default.aspx>

1. Click on log in for

School coordinator or student

2. Click on VPRC and insert your child's log in details.

VPRC login

For Government, Catholic, Independent and Home based readers

3. Click on your child's drop down menu from your child's dashboard located in the top left corner



4. From the drop down menu, click on search books

 Search Books

5. Enter the title and author, click search. Then locate the book from the list and click the title.

Search for books

Enter Book Name, author, series or ISBN

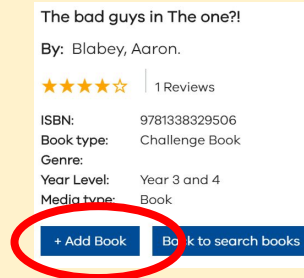
All Books ▼

Clear All

Search

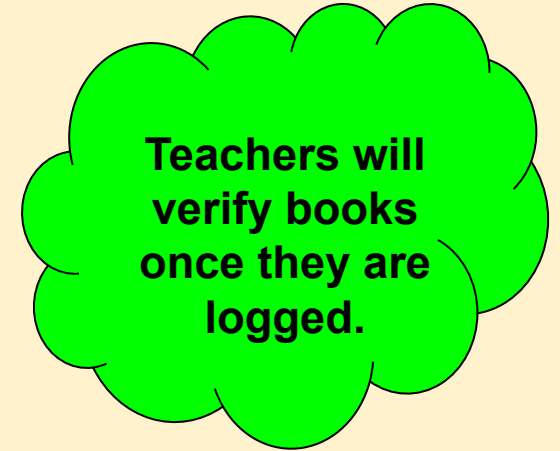
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6. Details of the book will then appear and click add book.

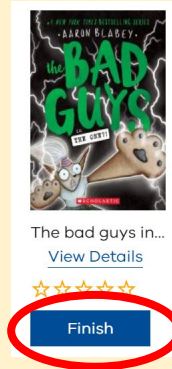


The bad guys in The one?!  
By: Blabey, Aaron.  
★★★★☆ | 1 Reviews  
ISBN: 9781338329506  
Book type: Challenge Book  
Genre:  
Year Level: Year 3 and 4  
Media type: Book

+ Add Book    Book to search books



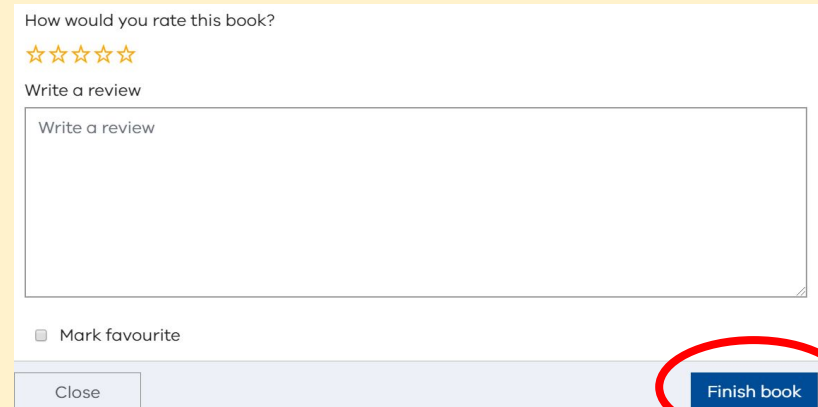
7. Then click Dashboard and you will be taken to your child's dashboard where you will see the book listed. Click Finish



The bad guys in...  
[View Details](#)  
★★★★☆

Finish

8. You are then able to rate the book (even write a review if you really want to) and then click finish book.



How would you rate this book?  
★★★★☆  
Write a review  
Write a review

Mark favourite

Close    Finish book

# CERES excursion

# GRADE 1

We learnt about the local Merri Merri creek and the local plants and wildlife.

We tasted local indigenous plants



Our indigenous art using traditional symbols.



We wore costumes and acted out the story of Tiddalick the frog.

## Reminders:

We will continue our Swimming program in term 3. Please see your child's individual Dojo page for times.

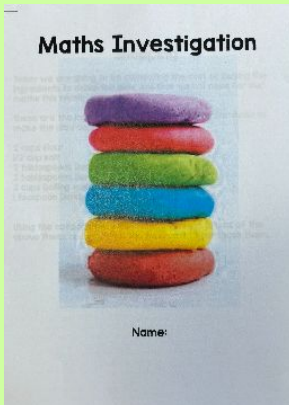
## Upcoming Events:

Our favourite event on the grade 1 excursion calendar is coming up in term 3 - we are going to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat! We will be visiting the education centre and experiencing what life was like in the past for children and what family life was like. Keep your eye on Compass for the event where you will be able to give permission and pay for your child to attend.

Last week in Maths, we completed a maths investigation using play doh!

# GRADE 3

We had to estimate and measure the mass of different amounts.



We created models of familiar 3D shapes.

We cut the play doh into simple fractions

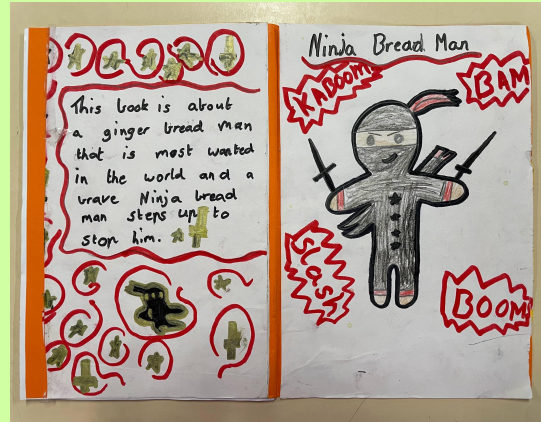
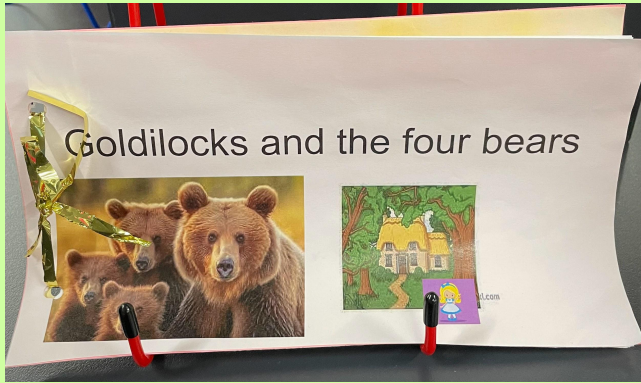


We used our knowledge of capacity and mass to measure and make the play doh.



# GRADE 5

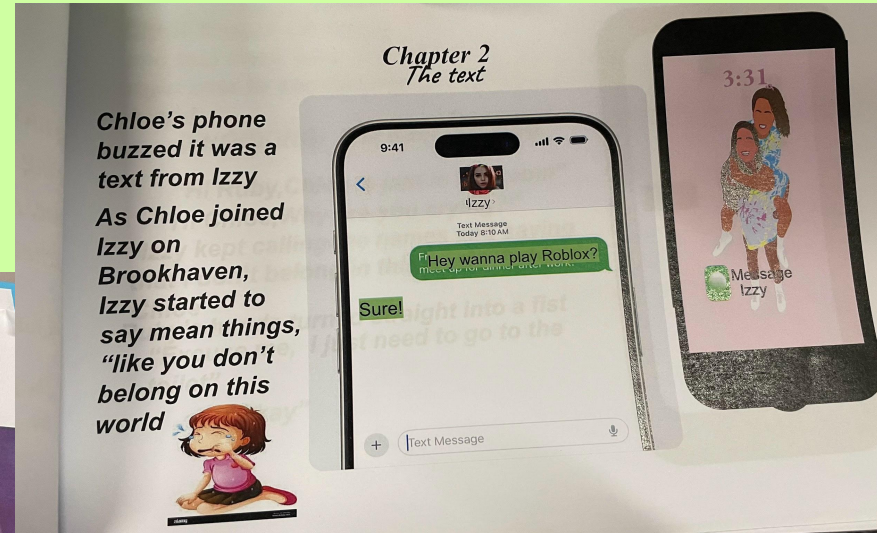
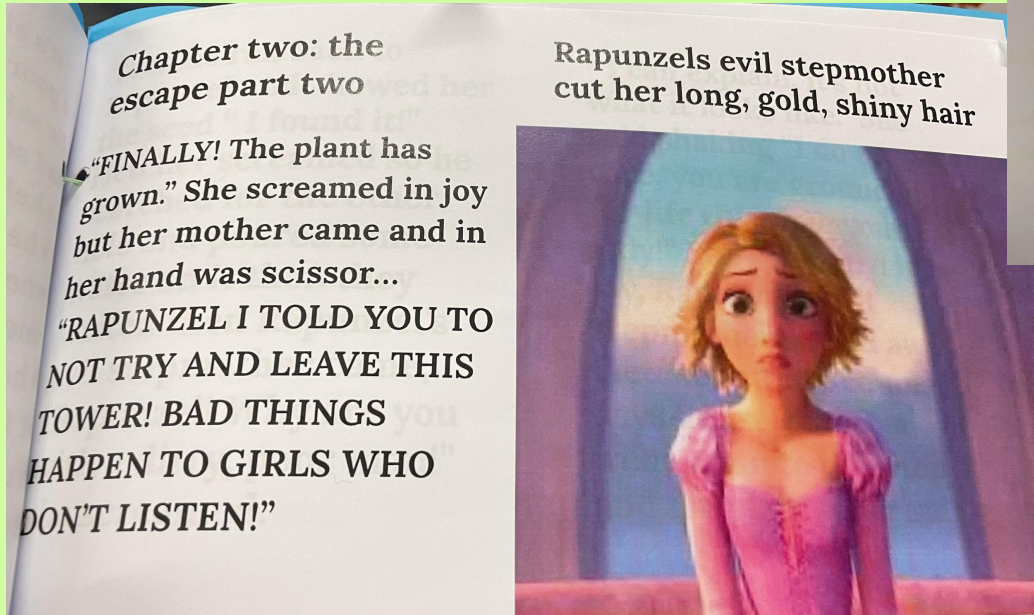
During our writing sessions we have been exploring and creating fractured fairy tales.



A fractured fairy tale is a story inspired or based upon a traditional fairy tale that has been reimagined and altered to include different perspectives, unexpected endings or new settings. Often they are modernised versions of the classic children's tales that we all know and love.

After weeks of hard work and editing, we have finally published our own fractured (or twisted) fairy tales.

# GRADE 5



Some snapshots from our fairy tales.

# GRADE 5

## Pizza Man

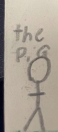


By  
Bajram

Once upon a time there was an Italian couple that worked at a pizza shop. One time they went to their massive apartment which was right on top of their pizza shop. After that they were hungry so they went back down and made pizza. 1 hour later a call came and they had to deliver a pizza to a handsome boy named Bajram. While the Italian couple was peddling he almost crashed into a metal pole then materazzi said "who would leave a metal pole in the middle of nowhere they continued to peddle quickly until he finally arrived at the handsome boy's house. It was humongous. The couple was surprised why a little boy owned an entire mansion. The boy gave them the money and they left with a thank you.



## 3 LITTLE WOLFS & THE BIG BAD PIG



Josh Manrok

Once upon a time there were three little wolfs that went to a peaceful and a beautiful forest. They all built one big, strong house they went inside have a rest...



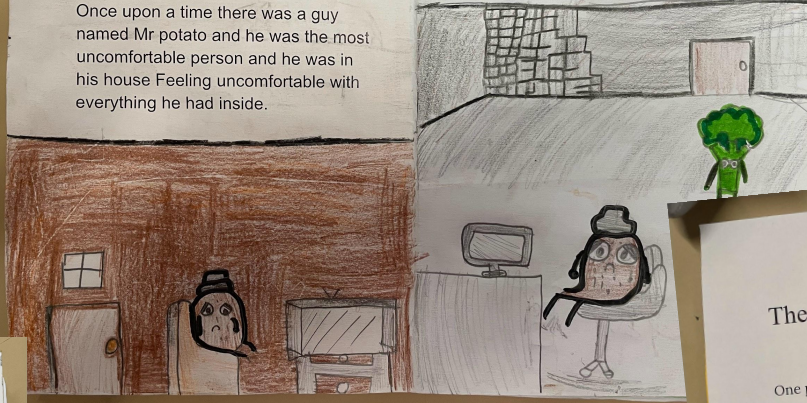
# GRADE 5

## MR POTATO'S UNCOMFORTABLENESS

By Andreas Arif

Once upon a time there was a guy named Mr potato and he was the most uncomfortable person and he was in his house Feeling uncomfortable with everything he had inside.

And he said everything is so uncomfortable. He went to work but he worked for an hour. It made him more uncomfortable because when he was sitting on his chair it hurted his bum.

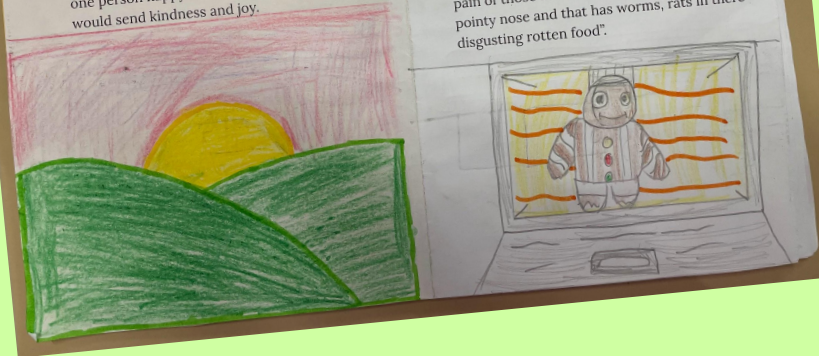


## The Wildest Summer Ever

By Zorian Samau

One peaceful morning in a little house there was a man named the Muffin man jr. Muffin man jr was bored and wanted to make at least one person happy. So he made a friend who would send kindness and joy.

Then Muffin man jr cooked a Gingerbread man in the oven for an hour and thirty minutes. Then the gingerbread man jumped out of the oven and said "Hello fellow muffin man what do you want me to do?". Ah my Gingerbread man I want you to go to a camp named camp kikiwaka and bake sweets and food for all the young children that suffer the pain of those mean lunch lady with that pointy nose and that has worms, rats in there disgusting rotten food".



## MR POTATOS UNCOMFORTABLENESS

WRITTEN BY ANDREAS ARIF

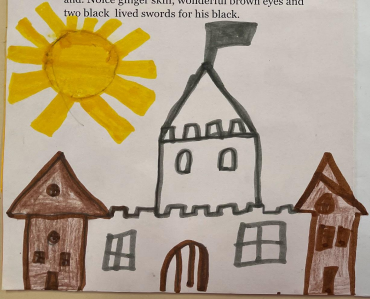


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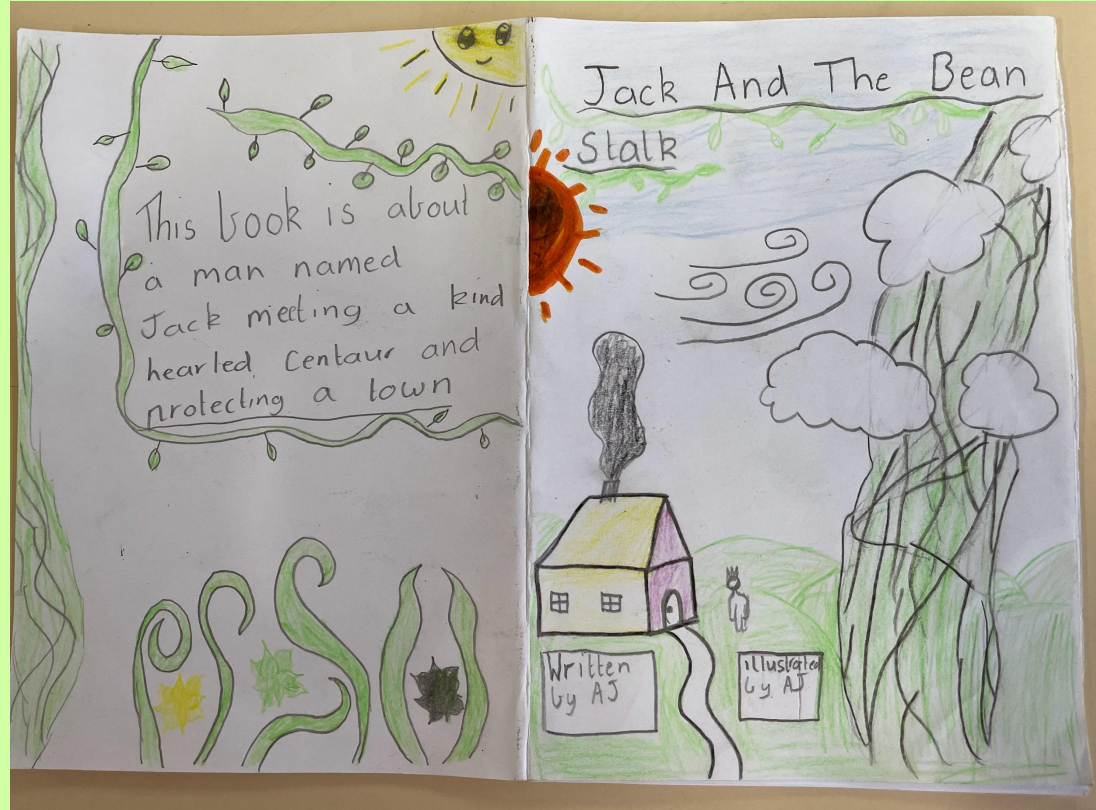
## The Gingerbread Man

By Lenny Gashi

One glimmering day in a small luxurious village called Elvis lived a Ninja Bread Man this is how he looks. He has black frosting that's all over him instead of M&M's he has ninja stars as the buckle and. Noice ginger skin, wonderful brown eyes and two black lived swords for his black.



Also in this same village his rival the Gingerbread Man. You have no idea how strong Gingerbread Man is. He can lift up trees with his pinky on top of that he has a mythical sword. And you don't even know what he does to the villagers he robs them and much more to say but I don't have all day to talk of course I have to clean his mess and save the day. But It was my last straw.



## Jack And The Bean Stalk

This book is about a man named Jack meeting a kind hearted Centaur and protecting a town



Written by AS

Illustration by AJ

We are excited to share these with the school community and hope they bring joy to others.

# GRADE 5



A special thanks to Mrs Strawbridge for setting up our amazing display area in the library.



Be sure to pop in and have a read!

# GRADE 6



Grade 6 camp was a blast!

They canoed, made sand animals, rock climbed, played on the beach, in the water and could make and eat their own pizzas!



# GRADE 6



The grade 6 students participated in lots of team building activities that required everyone to work together to succeed.

Other activities included toasting marshmallows on a fire and a guided tour at Fort Queenscliff.



THIS TERM WE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD ON SOME ENGINEERING PROJECTS.

Dodge the obstacles to get a hole in 1. Don't fall in the water or you lose a point.

GRADE 1 & 2



get the ball through the castle gate and into the hole.



waterproof material on the outside, soft material for comfort on the inside.



GRADE 3 & 4



THE BRIEF

Mrs Sutherland needs some new boots to use on her farm. Design a pair of waterproof, sturdy boots. Be creative and innovative with your design.

STEM

GRADE 5 & 6

TERM 2

motorised cars with pulley systems



Bluey operation game using foil as a conductor of electricity

THE BRIEF

Every year thousands of toys are sent to the garbage. Lets recycle! Use your knowledge of electrical circuits to design a toy that Prep - 2 kids could use in STEM club. Make it move, buzz or light up!



model plane with motorised propeller



COME ALONG TO DJIRRA'S

# NAIDOC FAMILY DAY

KEEP THE FIRE BURNING! BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD!

TUESDAY 9 JULY 2024

10AM - 2.30PM

DJIRRA IN THE WEST

1927 GISBORNE - MELTON ROAD, KURUNJANG

- Cultural activities and entertainment
- Face painting
- Family fun
- Food trucks
- Raffle



Djirra services and support available on the day. Limited parking, carpool if you can.

This National NAIDOC Week Activity is funded by the National Indigenous Australians Agency. Also supported by Melton City Council.

Please register via <https://forms.office.com/r/nvhdf98T0x>

1800 DJIRRA [www.djirra.org.au](http://www.djirra.org.au) @DjirraVIC Djirra



KEEP THE FIRE  
BURNING!  
BLAK, LOUD  
AND PROUD  
7-16 JULY 2024



## EYNESBURY WINTER FESTIVAL

It's snow joke, the Eynesbury Winter Festival is making a return on Thursday 27 June – **bigger and better than ever before!** With exciting new attractions for the whole family, there's plenty more to see and do in 2024!

- DJ **Lenny Pearce** performing at our Winter Solstice
- Dazzling fireworks at our Winter Solstice and Night Market
- Chill with Gold Medal Olympian, **Steve Hooker**
- Kids Fun Day with **Kelly Sports** and **Western United** Football players
- Live performance by a **Nashville cover Band**
- A thrilling ice hockey exhibition match on Thursday 4 July

Enjoy our always-here attractions where you can glide across the ice rink or whirl through our **NEW Carnival Zone & Wonderland** while indulging in delicious winter treats from on-site restaurant **Ms Peacock**, Birdy & Co café and food trucks. It really is the ultimate winter outing for the whole family! Check out our [schedule](#).

Entry to the Eynesbury Winter Festival *won't cost you an icicle*, but we do recommend that you book tickets in advance for the ice rink. Get ready to glide and slide on the ice at Melbourne's best Winter Festival!

### Ice rink hours:

Sunday – Thursday: 10am – 8pm

Friday & Saturday: 10am – 9pm

Winter Solstice & Night Market: 10am – 10pm

### Carnival zone and wonderland hours:

Monday – Sunday: 11am – 5pm

Winter Solstice & Night Market: 11am – 9pm



MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

# ANNUAL CONCERT

2024

17 DEC

2024

STARTING

4:00PM

MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL

MORE INFORMATION

*coming soon*

# SAVE THE DATE

