

Newsletter

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From the Principal's Desk

Term 3 has been a busy time and we have seen some amazing projects come to fruition across this time. We have lots of learning celebrated in this newsletter with many classes getting out on excursions for their STEM units of work.

Early next term we will begin our processes for class structures for 2024. At this time we need accurate enrolment numbers for 2024. If you know you are moving house and to another school at the end of year please come into the office to let Anne know. This is also a final call for sibling enrolments as our reception intake is almost full. We have a large waiting list that we need to let know of any remaining vacancies.

Term 4 is always very busy, please familiarise yourself with the dates below, more details will come out next term for our End of year celebration.

The Department for Education has released a new strategic plan with a more balanced approach to school improvement. As part of the launch our school featured in a spotlight on practice video. You can view the video on the link below:

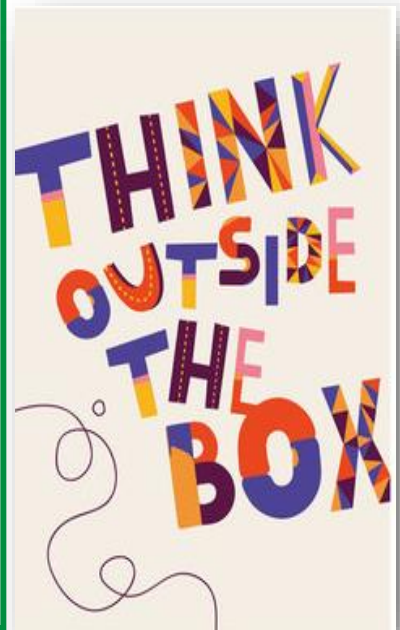
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQ1gnBWI8g>

As part of our work on Learner Agency we are having schools visit to look at the way we give children ownership of their learning, goal setting and assessment. Our "Kids Talk Agency" conference this week is an example of the influential work of our students.

Marg Clark



Term 4, 2023 16th October – 15th December		
September	29 th	Last day of Term 3 2.15pm dismissal
October	18 th	Cricket Clinic Yrs 1-5 commence
November	6 th	Governing Council
	13th	Pupil free day
	18 th	Lego League competition - Riverbanks
	21 st	Reception transition visit 1
	28 th	Reception transition visit 2
December	4 th	Governing Council Dinner
	6 th	End of year concert
	12 th	Year 6 Graduation
	14 th	Class transition visits and reports home
	15 th	Last day 2:15 finish





Year 1 & 2s Investigations



The Year 1/2 class families have been enjoying exploring our new Investigation areas – including water colour painting, dramatic play at the vet, exploring Math shapes, building mini cities and so much more!
Some of the Year 2 students have been starting their Personal Investigations on a range of topics, including bunnies, Lego WeDos and Minecraft.



Burionjin League

In room 7 we have started PNBL (Prospect North Burionjin League). Burionjin is a sport that was played by the Kabi Kabi people of South Queensland.

The traditional rules are that you have to run and pass the ball even if it drops on the ground. You can defend by blocking players and tagging the person if you are tagged you have two seconds to get rid of the ball.

The goal of the team is to get the ball over the other score line. If you do, the other team gets possession of the ball. You can throw the ball but we did not allow kicking the ball because it can cause injuries to players.



We have six different roles within PNBL.

These are coaches, captains, event managers, media statisticians and the sportsboard. They have different jobs to do.

The coaches have to create plans for coaching sessions and give advice and tactics.

The captains have to be the leader on the field and boost morale in the most pressured situations.

The event managers have to plan and organize the games and the end of season event.

The media team will provide the public with information about the tournament.

Statisticians analyse and interpret data coming from the games and premiership table.

The sportsboard are in charge of the rules, enabling the games to run effectively.

We have three teams (The Thunderbolts, The Cobras & The Dynamic Ducks) and are excited for the tournament ahead.



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Kids Talk Agency Conference

On September 26th Prospect North had the honour of hosting eight schools at our Kids Talk Agency conference.

Students started off the conference with an introduction and keynote speech. In the keynote, we shared examples of student agency, such as the Student Parliament, the design thinking process, how students use feedback and feedforward in their learning, The SECRET powers and how they help us to grow in learning, and how being a part of digital leaders built our self-confidence.

After the keynote, our students took groups from each school on a guided tour to observe how students use agency in their learning.

After the tour, the visiting teachers and students had the chance to reflect on how their school is different from ours, and how they could implement learner agency in their school.

Students were very intrigued by the amount of student-based learning there was in our school at all year levels, our open space classrooms, and how students were responsible enough to have a say in their learning. Overall, the day was very successful, and all the visiting students went back to their school with lots of new ideas for their school.

'The students were so impressive and spoke with such confidence and pride.'

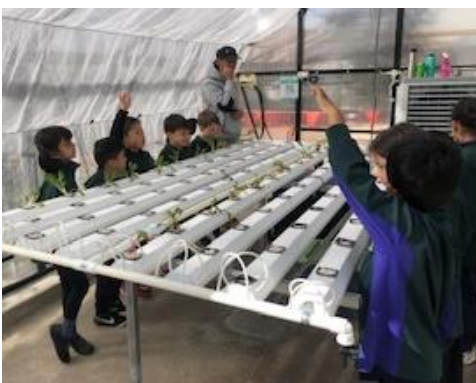


FOOD LADDER: The green house. (El invernadero)

On August 31, the reception students visited and planted vegetables in our new greenhouse. Since then, every week we have observed the changes that the plants have experienced.

We like to see how the roots grow, how every week there are new flowers on the tomato plants, the cucumber plant, the pepper plant and on the strawberrry plant. Chard grows faster than lettuces and its roots are longer.

The bottom photos were taken on 22nd of September. Can you see any difference?



Year 1/2 Classes 3D Shape City!

In Maths, we have been working in our Geometry Drawer, exploring the properties of Shapes through an ongoing project to plan, design and construct a 3D Shape City! We had to complete a permit application to prove that we were Shape Experts before we began designing - luckily, we were all approved! We then mapped out exactly how we wanted our city to



look and created building blueprints to determine which 3D nets we would need. Our city is slowly starting to come together, and we are adding the finishing touches like traffic lights and signs, natural features like plants and lakes, as well as cars and people!



FREE Cricket Clinic

Starting on Wednesday in Week 1 of Term 4, we are very excited to provide our students Years 1-5 4x FREE Cricket blast clinics! Students are able to receive a free t-shirt and hat. To order these items please register your child's name, order the size tshirt and hat and they will be delivered to your house! Please order by the end of Term (1st October) to ensure that you get them in time for the clinic! We look forward to seeing as many students as possible in the cricket blast gear at the clinics!

Thanks for your support! Gail Powers

SIGN UP NOW

Cricket Blast is an energetic and fun program for kids up to the age of 10 to develop new skills, expand existing skills and play cricket in a team environment.

Prospect North Primary School

Register here for your child to receive the following participant pack for free

Participant Pack

PLAY FOR KICKS

Superkick is next level fun for 8 to 12 year olds who are new to footy, or want to continue to grow their skill levels.

LJ LEWIS RESERVE

STARTING MONDAY 23RD OF OCTOBER AT 4PM

CONTACT:
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PLAY Superkick

PLAY.AFL/SUPERKICK

A3 and A4 Urrbrae Wetland Excursion

In investigations this term A3 and A4 are learning about the vital role wetlands play in our environment. As part of our learning, we went on an excursion last Wednesday (20th) to Urrbrae Agricultural College to see a wetland in action. The excursion gave us a deeper understanding of the importance of a wetland and what we need to include in the mini wetland we are designing.



On the boardwalk and learning about the wetland



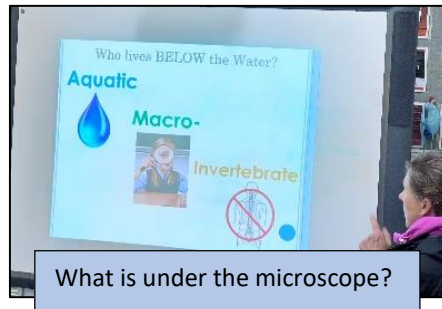
Collecting water samples



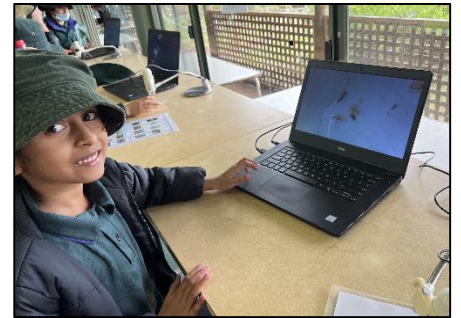
Testing the water for turbidity and salinity



Using nets to collect debris and tiny animals from the wetland to observe under a microscope

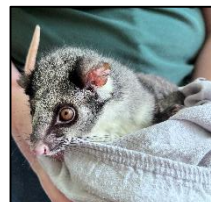


What is under the microscope?



Nature Education Centre (NEC)

The second part of our excursion at Urrbrae was to visit the NEC. It was very special to see some Australian animals up close, to learn about these animals and to touch and pat some of them. It was a fantastic day!



WARRIPARINGA

On the 31st August, Rooms 5, 8 and 9 went to Warriparinga Wetland to learn more about Aboriginal culture. Ben

At the start of the smoking ceremony we had to put ochre on our foreheads to show respect to the Elders Past and Present. During the smoking ceremony, one of the elders came down with a bowl made out of bark with smoke coming out of the bark bowl with leaves on top. We all stood still, straight and tall to show respect to the Elders past and present
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Then we went on a guided walk and walked to the stone possum. They say that the huge square rock behind the possum is possum poo. We also saw a big tree, 800 years old. Then we saw cherry blossom, stone frog, mint grass, lemongrass and choking plants.
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At lunch we played hide and seek and chasesy. We had a double lunch break which made it more fun. Next we split into 4 groups for Dreaming stories. Lilianna explained a story about the Rainbow Serpent. After the story Vicki asked questions. Lily

The excursion was a fantastic experience and opened our eyes to the importance of understanding Aboriginal culture and Warrapainga history. Maryam



Soon after we ate some bush tucker, including lemon myrtle biscuits that help sore throats. We also tried a few leaves from a salt bush. These crush your dehydration, by bringing salt to your mouth which creates saliva. We also tried rosemary and native garlic balls. They were so tasty. Did you know many Kurna people used lemon myrtle to soothe headaches?

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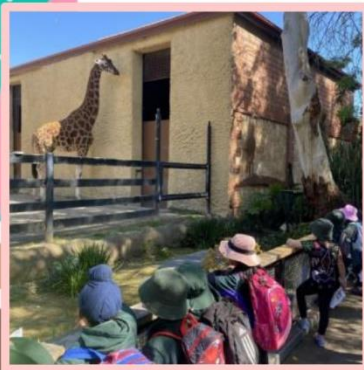
My favourite part of the excursion was the Dreamtime story because we got to make up our own Dreamtime stories. I also liked the bush tucker because I liked tasting all the different foods. Aleana



Zoo Excursion

This week the Angwin Unit set off on an excursion to the Adelaide Zoo! We had a fantastic time together, exploring the Zoo and getting an up close look at the many interesting animals within.














The highlight of our day was a special program we had the chance to join. A Zoologist taught us all about Animal Needs and we got an up close look at a Blue Tongue Lizard! The Zoologist told us about all the different things this particular lizard needed to survive and thrive. It was then our job to help construct a suitable habitat for the lizard. We think we did a pretty amazing job!



What an incredible time we all had at the Zoo! It was a day filled with discovery, learning, and fun!



PROSPECT NORTH OCTOBER VACATION CARE 2023

MONDAY 2/10/23	TUESDAY 3/10/23 \$62.00	WEDNESDAY 4/10/23 \$58.00	THURSDAY 5/10/23 \$62.00	FRIDAY 6/10/23 \$58.00
CLOSED Public Holiday	<p>ALICE IN WONDERLAND DAY Come Dressed as your favourite character</p> <p>ART/CRAFT Tea Cups Mad Hatter Hats Paper Plate Cheshire Cat Singing Flowers</p> <p>COOKING Edible Tea Cups Jam Tarts</p> 	<p>EXCURSION Port Adelaide Railway and Aviation Museum 9.00am – 3.00pm</p>  <p>LUNCH AT THE LIGHTHOUSE</p> 	<p>SUPER HERO DAY Dress up as your favourite Super Hero Play Super Hero Hop Pin the star on the shield Run the Maze Super Hero Scavenger Hunt</p> <p>ART/CRAFT Super Hero canvas painting </p> <p>COOKING Batman Bites Spidey sensors Hulk Smashers</p>	<p>EXCURSION St Clair Recreation centre Interactive Music theatre show JAM BAND 10.00am - 11.30pm</p>  <p>ART/CRAFT Silhouette Puppets</p> <p>JUST DANCE In the Gym</p> <p>COOKING Cheese & Vegemite Scrolls</p>
	Snack:	Snack: Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	Snack: Fruit Platter	Snack: Quiche
MONDAY 9/10/23 \$58.00	TUESDAY 10/10/23 \$62.00	WEDNESDAY 11/10/23 \$58.00	THURSDAY 12/10/23 \$62.00	FRIDAY 13/10/23 \$58.00
<p>STEP BACK IN TIME 60 in 1 Lowboy ARCADE GAME Pacman, Frogger, and 58 more Games</p>  <p>ART/CRAFT Thaumatrope Tic Toe</p> <p>RETRO GAMES Mother May I Elastics Hopscotch</p>	<p>EXCURSION HOYTS CINEMA Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Mutant Mayhem 9.00am – 12.30pm</p>  <p>ART/CRAFT Ninja Turtle paper bag puppets Mutagen Slime</p> <p>COOKING TMNT Rice Crispies</p>	<p>STEP UP AND JOIN THE CIRCUS Circus games Pin the nose on the clown Ring Toss Spinning Target Can Knock down Limbo</p> <p>ART/CRAFT Carousels Rolling Clowns</p> 	<p>EXCURSION VICTOR HARBOUR WHALE CENTRE & URIMBIRRA WILDLIFE PARK 9.00am – 4.30pm</p>  <p>There are limited spaces, due to seating on the bus so book early so you don't miss out</p>	<p>OSHC OLYMPICS Come Dressed in a bright colour</p>  <p>Tug of war </p> <p>Egg & Spoon Three-legged race Relay race Tunnel Ball </p> <p>Wheelbarrow Races</p> <p>Colour Run Bring a white T-shirt</p> <p>ART/CRAFT Medal Making</p> 
Snack: Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	Snack: Nacho's	Snack: Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	Snack: Tin Fruit & Yoghurt	Snack: Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter

ALL BOOKINGS NEED TO BE MADE BY THE 15th SEPTEMBER.

BOOKINGS MADE AFTER THIS DATE MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED. BOOKING & CONSENT FORMS NEED TO BE RETURNED BEFORE THE BOOKING WILL BE CONFIRMED.