

# NEWSLETTER

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#### **DIARY DATES**

29th-30th June Year 6 Camp

**30th June** Reception 2024

**30th June** Reception Excursion 5th July Gorge Excursion 7th July



## MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

#### Dear Families

I hope you are keeping warm as we hit these cold days and nights. Any hint of sunshine reminds me how much I miss Summer! We are continuing our School Improvement work as a staff team. As you know Goal 1 is; *Increase achievement of R-6 students in reading.* Teaching staff are consolidating the action; *Teachers co-design reading goals (decoding, fluency, comprehension) with students, to inform practice and next teaching steps.* 

I am often asked by families what is the best way to support reading at home. Any practice at home benefits students to build their skills as readers. Did you know that there is so much value in read-alouds? This includes you reading to your child/ren and them reading to you. Children can also read to each other, to pets, to toys and to visitors. There are so many ways daily practice can be incorporated into routines. This can build a love of reading and a willingness to take risks when reading new words on books, signs, buildings and menus. Reading aloud to your child is an important activity with numerous benefits. Here are several reasons why reading aloud is beneficial for your child's development:

- 1. Language and literacy skills: Reading aloud exposes children to a rich vocabulary and helps them develop language skills. They learn new words, sentence structures, and grammar, which expands their vocabulary and improves their comprehension. Hearing the rhythm and flow of language also develops speaking and writing skills.
- 2.Cognitive development: Reading aloud stimulates a child's brain, promoting cognitive development. It helps improve memory, concentration, and critical thinking skills. Children engage with the story, make predictions, and connect the events, which enhances their ability to understand and analyse information.
- 3. Imagination and creativity: Reading aloud encourages children to use their imagination. As they listen to the story, they visualise the characters, settings, and events, which fosters creativity. They can explore different worlds, ideas, and perspectives, expanding their understanding of the world around them.
- 4. Emotional and social development: Reading aloud provides an opportunity for emotional connection and bonding between the reader and the child. It creates a shared experience and strengthens the parent-child relationship. Additionally, stories often contain lessons and emotions that help children understand and navigate their own feelings and relationships.
- 5. Knowledge and understanding: Reading aloud exposes children to a wide range of topics, concepts, and information. They learn about different cultures, places, historical events, and scientific discoveries. This exposure broadens their understanding of the world and fosters curiosity and a love for learning.
- 6.Listening skills: Reading aloud helps develop a child's listening skills. They learn to pay attention, follow the narrative, and understand spoken language. These skills are crucial for academic success and effective communication.
- 7. Reading readiness: Reading aloud plays a significant role in preparing children for independent reading. They become familiar with the structure of books, the left-to-right progression, and the connection between written and spoken words. This foundation builds their interest in reading and prepares them for future literacy activities.

Remember, reading aloud should be an enjoyable and interactive experience. Encourage your child to ask questions, discuss the story, and share their thoughts and feelings. By making reading a regular part of your routine, you are instilling a lifelong love for reading and learning in your child.

Warm Regards



Vanessa Mortimer Principal

### ROOM 28 NEWS

We are thrilled to share the exciting adventures our students in Room 28 have been having in the garden during Term 2. Not only have they been nurturing plants and learning about nature, they have also been building essential life skills of teamwork and problem solving!

Through various garden activities, our students have learned to collaborate effectively as a team. They have experienced the power of working together, sharing ideas, and supporting one another to achieve common goals. From planning and organising garden layouts to dividing tasks and responsibilities, their teamwork skills have blossomed.

In addition, the garden has created an exceptional setting for honing problem-solving skills. Our students were faced with the task of constructing a garden bed using leftover materials. They collaborated closely, engaging in brainstorming and pooling their ideas to build a raised garden bed, ensuring no leftover pieces went to waste. Throughout this process, they wholeheartedly embraced these challenges as chances to think critically, analyse situations, and generate innovative solutions.

By engaging in hands-on garden experiences, our students have gained practical skills while also fostering resilience, patience, and adaptability. These skills will undoubtedly benefit them in their academic and personal lives.

We are incredibly proud of the growth we've seen in Room 28. The teamwork and problem-solving abilities our students have developed in the garden are invaluable. We look forward to further nurturing these skills and witnessing their continued success.



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#### ROOM 3 NEWS

In Room 3, Year 2 students have created their own vegetable garden just outside our classroom. They worked together to plant tomatoes, broccoli, lettuce and more. It has been very exciting seeing our produce grow! To add a bit more character to our garden, we have been creating signs to put around the plants. This has been such an enjoyable experience, creating something together. We can't wait to link it to our Design and Technologies topic next term about sustainability!



### FARM GARDEN UPDATE

The Winter rains are certainly helping the Farm Garden grow and flourish. Our new sheds have arrived and Steve has been very busy building them. These will store equipment and the middle section will be a large potting/working area for the students to gain more gardening skills. If you have not visited the Farm Garden recently, please take a look at what the students have been busy growing. Volunteers are very welcome. If you or someone you know, likes being outdoors, sharing and learning with students and seeing a beautiful space evolve, please see the Office staff for more details.



Biggest Morning Tea

On the 26th May, Ingle Farm Primary School hosted the Biggest Morning Tea for staff. Local businesses donated everything from food and vouchers to their own products for us to raffle. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the businesses listed below that supported us to make this such a success. For our first morning tea, staff raised \$465 online and \$300 on raffles.

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<u>St George's Bakehouse Inglefarm - Ingle Farm Shopping Centre</u>	<u> The Reject Shop – Ingle Farm Shopping Centre</u>
Dusk Australia - Golden Grove Shopping Centre	o <mark>ort Ingle Farm – Ingle Farm Shopping Centre</mark>
<u>Boost Juice Tea Tree Plaza - Tea Tree Plaza Shopping Centre</u>	Drakes Supermarkets - Surrey Downs Shops
<u> Nutrimetics Australia &amp; New Zealand – Ingle Farm Shopping Centre</u>	Bar 345 – Blue Gums Hotel Fairview Park
Fruita Bella Ingle Farm - Ingle Farm Shopping Centre Pricelin	<u>e Australia – Ingle Farm Shopping Centre</u>
Silky Creations - Alannah Aldenhoven Village Tavern - Golden G	rove Kaisercraft - Ingle Farm Shopping Centre
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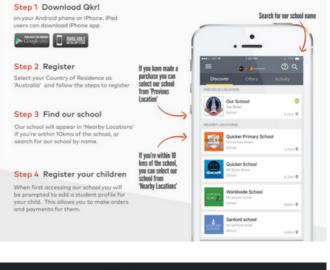




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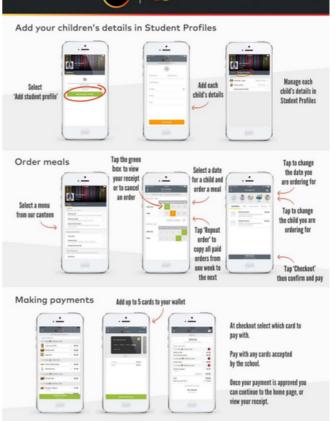


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