

The Creek This Week

Andrews Creek Primary School



Upcoming events

- Monday 5 August**
ICAS Competitions start
- Tuesday 6 August**
Terrapin Puppet Show
- Friday 9 August**
Hive Excursion Prep + 2B
- Tuesday 20 August**
Book Week Parade 9am
Book fair 2-3.30pm
- Monday 26 August**
Pre-Kinder program starts
- Friday 30 August**
Father's Day Celebration
- Thursday 5 - Friday 6
September**
Grade 3-4 Camp
- Friday 27 September**
Last day Term 3
Footy Colours Day

Principal's Message

Celebrating Being Courageous at The Creek

At ACPS, we believe that every new experience is an opportunity for growth and discovery. Our students show remarkable courage by embracing new challenges in their learning everyday.

It's not always easy; sometimes our young people can feel a little anxious when faced with a new task, but we emphasise that these feelings are "worried-good," not "worried-unsafe." This distinction helps them understand that it's normal to feel a bit apprehensive when trying something new, and these experiences are safe, normal and beneficial for their growth.

In early childhood Music classes, students have been demonstrating courage by learning how to play a variety of instruments, including ukelele and the drums. Initially, some students were a little nervous, unsure of what to expect from these new instruments. However, with gentle encouragement and support, students have not only learned to play rhythms and chords, but also discovered the joy of making music together.

In Digital Technology classes, students have been diving into new and challenging content. From coding and identifying patterns, to exploring algorithms and following complex instructions, students are acquiring skills that will be invaluable in the future.

During Art, students are demonstrating courage as they create artworks in different forms to express their ideas, observations and imagination, using different techniques and processes. Visual art enables learners to develop a strong sense of identity and learn through their innate creativity.

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We recognise that courage isn't limited to the classroom. Here are some simple yet effective ways you can encourage your child to be courageous in everyday situations;

Small Tasks, Big Confidence

Encourage your child to do small tasks independently, like purchasing something at the shop whilst supervising from afar. These experiences build their confidence and resilience to attempt more challenging tasks in the future.

Celebrate Effort, Not Just Success

Praise your child's effort and willingness to try something new, regardless of the outcome. This reinforces the value of perseverance.

Model Courage

Share your own experiences of trying new things and how you felt. This shows your child that it's okay to feel nervous and that courage is about taking action despite those feelings and it's ok to make mistakes.

By fostering a culture of courage and resilience, both at school and at home, we are helping our students develop essential life skills.

A new space we are excited to be offering a courageous learning program in, is our creek! All classes from Kinder to Year 6 will be participating in learning at our outdoor classroom and creek environment with Erin Woodcock and Mrs Dick, for the remainder of the year. Beginning next Friday, we will be encouraging timetabled classes to come prepared with raincoats and gumboots (change of shoes/socks) for the great outdoors. Re-establishing our Environmental Program is in direct response to listening to student ideas about how we can improve our school and engage in learning, as well as family feedback of the importance of hands-on learning using our wonderful facilities. Keep an eye out on Seesaw for when your child's timetabled session will be.

Staff Long Service Leave

This term our Grade 1 teacher Mrs Bishop will be taking long service leave from Monday 19 August until the end of the term. Our Grade 5 teacher Miss Hamilton will be taking our Grade 1 class during Mrs Bishop's absence on Monday's, Tuesday's and Wednesday's, and Mrs Hardy will be here on her usual days Thursday's and Friday's.

In the last week of this term Mr Wallace will also be taking long service leave and the Grade 6 class will have a relief teacher Eden Gerke for the whole week.

Wishing everyone a successful remainder of 2024 and I look forward to returning in Term 3, 2025.

In partnership,
Emma Scicluna
Principal

Student Absences

When your child is going to be absent from school you will need to contact the office as each absence needs to be documented in our attendance system.

To advise your child is absent please call or email the school. This needs to be done prior to 8.55am on the day that your child is absent. **You must notify us for every day your child is or will be absent (not just the first day).**

Email is the preferred form of communication as our office doesn't open until 8am. Please ensure you **explain the reason your child is absent in the email.**

Phone: 6428 4088

Email: andrews.creek.primary@decyp.tas.gov.au

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Book Week Celebrations!



We are looking forward to Book Week 2024 and have a couple of things happening at The Creek!

Tuesday 20 August

- ★ **Book Week Dress-Ups & Parade 9am**
Students may come to school dressed as their favourite book character and we will have a special parade at 9am for everyone to show us their wonderful costumes! Parents/carers are welcome to attend.
- ★ **Book Fair - 2-3.30pm**
Our School Association are hosting another book fair this year in the Library. Please come along and help us raise money for more books for our library.
- ★ **Class Activities**
Classes will also be doing their own in-class activities during the week which will be displayed around the school!

Year 3-4 Camp

Attention Year 3/4 Parents and Students! 🎉

We are excited to announce our Year 3/4 Wellbeing Camp on 5-6 September 2024! 🌲🌟

This two-day adventure will build on our learning from The Resilience Project, focusing on gratitude, empathy, and mindfulness. This camp has been designed to promote wellbeing and teamwork for our Year 3/4 students. It's a fantastic opportunity for our students to grow, connect, and have fun together!

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details. We can't wait to create unforgettable memories with you all! 🌟❤️





STAR Cards

Leo H. - for always using respectful manners when greeting Mrs D each morning during attendance.

Remy - for the detail he is adding to his drawings to complete his WOW pictures.

Jack T. - for making sure his friends are okay when they're feeling sad.

Elka - for always helping to tidy the classroom, keeping it safe.

Ziggy - for always being safe when it comes to footy.

Ava L. - for always trying in footy.

Arlo - for respecting his peers and listening to the sports leaders.

Ruby H. - for using the cleaning spray safely to clean the tables.

Nevae Z. - for using the cleaning spray safely to clean the sink.

Sahara - for using the cleaning spray safely to clean the sink.

Laycie S. - for always being a safe class member.

Ivahna - for being an eager learner in our multiplication unit when learning new skills.

Eleanor - for being a focussed learner setting an example for others around her.

Angus - for being a helpful and mindful class member ensuring our classroom is clean, even if it isn't his mess.

Chelsea - for being an eager learner in our multiplication unit when learning new skills.

George M. - for trying your best with spelling today.

Indiana - for being a respectful listener during a maths job.

Freyja H. - for being a thoughtful friend when a friend was upset.

Ella P. - for always being a quiet and respectful class member.

Hannah H. - for showing respect by always using her manners.

Dustin - for handling and overcoming adversity during recess time.

Mila N. - for doing her absolute best during our reading group activity.

Oliver B. - for being an expert helper in Digital Technology.

Kyle - for picking up someone else's rubbish without being asked.

Amelia H. - for keeping our school tidy by cleaning up other's rubbish.

Leo P. - for always having excellent manners.

Fletcher - for sharing a library book with a friend.

Dotty - for always using amazing manners and being a focussed listener.

Ollie M. - for always being ready to listen and learn.

Rose G. - for taking care when tidying home corner, ensuring our room is safe.

Laycie S. - for helping a classmate when he hurt his toe.

Jaxon F. - for waiting quietly.

Madilyn - for reading in a quiet and a respectful manner when asked to.

Elizabeth A. - for being focussed and using her time well when on Lexia.

Lincoln R. - for being a super quiet reader during quiet reading time and not disturbing others.

Tarkine - for always being prepared to help others when required.

School Association

Dear School Community,

We have some exciting updates and announcements to share with you!

Parent Volunteers Needed

We need parent volunteers for this year's Book Fair. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated on the following dates:

Thursday, 15th August at 9am: Book Fair set up.

Tuesday, 20th August from 2-3:30pm: Assisting with book fair sales.

Wednesday, 21st August (afternoon, time tbc): Book Fair pack up.

If you are available to help, please get in touch with a School Association Member. Volunteers must have their Working with Vulnerable People card and completed mandatory reporting training.

Playground Upgrades

Our members are currently investigating upgrades to our playground spaces based on student feedback from last term. We aim to use funds raised from previous efforts, such as this year's Trivia Night, to make these enhancements. Students' wish lists include more playground equipment, pump tracks, tunnels, a slide on Mt Wesley, and more sporting books in the library.

Upcoming Fundraiser: Car Boot Sale

In last night's meeting, we organised a committee to begin planning our next fundraiser to support our playground upgrade goals. In Term 4, we will be hosting a Car Boot Sale. Please keep an eye on this space for more details.

Reading Club

We are excited to announce the start of Reading Club, an initiative heavily championed by the School Association Committee to support improvement of student reading and literacy. Mrs. Hinds will be running Reading Club on Wednesdays and Thursdays before school and is seeking parent volunteers. Volunteers must have their Working with Vulnerable People card and completed mandatory reporting training. Please see page 8 for more information.

Uniform Sub-Committee

Our School Association have formed a Uniform Sub-committee with the purpose of exploring an alternate polo supplier to reduce the cost for families.

Next week we will be sending out a link to a questionnaire for parents/carers to provide feedback about our polo tops. We will also have samples of the proposed new polos at the office if you would like to come in and take a look. We have samples from two different companies.

Questionnaires will be open until the end of next week.

Meeting Schedule Update

We have voted to alternate our meeting nights to enable more community attendance. Starting from this term:

- In Week 2, we will meet on Tuesdays at 6pm.

- In Week 7, we will meet on Thursdays at 6pm.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 5th September at 6pm in The Vale Room. We encourage all parents and members of our school community to attend.

Thank you for your continued support!

Warm regards,

Your School Association

Father's Day

Save the Date



Friday 30 August
2.20-2.55pm

We will be having a BBQ and activities afternoon for our Dad's/carers so please save the date!

STAR Cards

Poppy - for being an amazing reader during our quiet reading time.

Rhyan H. - for thinking carefully about using expression when reading aloud.

Jaxon C. - for always offering interesting facts during our science lessons.

Lachlan B. - for caring for his laptop in a safe way.

Ava L. - for helping to put library books away.

Pheonix - for helping to put library books away.

Ziggy - for always moving safely in the classroom.

Roy - for playing kindly with others.

Max VB - for being a respectful listener all day.

Jack S. - for persistent work in maths problem solving.

Ayla K. - for persistent work in maths problem solving.

Keeley - for thoughtfully applying herself to all tasks thinking for herself before seeking help.

Elsie Ro - for being quiet in the library.



Resilience Project

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our three families for their outstanding gratitude journal entry (pictured right) for our school holiday Resilience Project Competition. They will all receive a Devonport Tenpin bowling voucher for their amazing efforts!

This term, we are focusing on empathy - understanding and sharing the feelings of others. Empathy helps us build stronger relationships, create a supportive community, and make a positive impact on the world around us.

The Empathy Challenge

We invite all students to participate in our Empathy Challenge! Here's how you can get involved:

1. Acts of Kindness: Perform three acts of kindness this month. These can be big or small, from helping a friend with their school work to sharing a smile with someone who needs it.
2. Empathy Diary: Keep an empathy diary for two weeks. Each day, write about how you showed empathy or how someone else showed empathy towards you. Reflect on how these actions made you feel.
3. Creative Expression: Create a piece of art, a poem, or a short story that demonstrates the importance of empathy. Let your creativity shine and inspire others!

How to Enter

Submit your entries to Mrs Hinds by 3pm on Week 9, Friday (20th September). Make sure to include your name, class, and a brief description of your acts of kindness, empathy diary, or creative expression.

Winners will be randomly drawn and announced in our Final Newsletter of the Term. They will receive a family voucher for Readings Cinema.

We can't wait to see the amazing ways you show empathy and make a difference in our school community!

Every day counts

Welcome back for Term 3!

As we move into the second half of the school year, sometimes regular school attendance can be challenging.

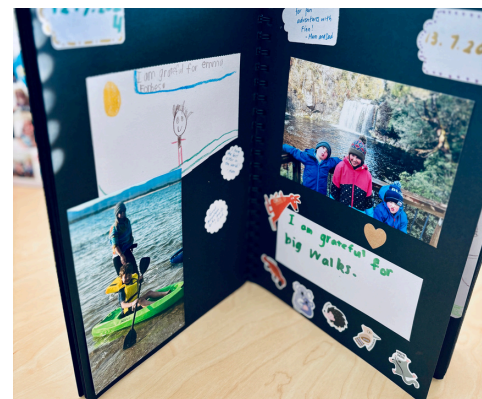
There are so many reasons to go to school. It's a chance to be around friends, learn new things, grow and have fun.

This term is packed with exciting things:

- Science & Book Week
- Class Excursions
- Terrapin Puppet Show
- Grade 3/4 Wellbeing Camp

For tips on creating better attendance habits, visit the Anything can happen website.

Please talk to us if you're having trouble getting your child to school. We're here to help.



Term 3,
let's do this!

Welcome back to school.

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Launching into Learning

Please check out the posters below with playgroup dates for Term 3 and Pre-Kinder dates for Terms 3 and 4! We look forward to seeing you.

Enrolment forms for Kinder 2025 will be handed out in October.

Please ask Mrs. D our LIL/Kinder teacher if you have any questions.

amie.dawkins@decyp.tas.gov.au



ICAS Testing Schedule

Registrations for ICAS have closed. Here is a list of testing dates for those students participating in the ICAS competitions.

- Monday 5 August** - Digital Technologies
- Wednesday 7 August** - Writing
- Tuesday 13 August** - English
- Monday 19 August** - Science
- Thursday 22 August** - Spelling Bee
- Wednesday 28 August** - Maths



Pre-Kinder

Monday's
9am - 10.30am

Term 3 & 4 Dates:

26 August, 2 September,
9 September, 16 September,
23 September, 14 October,
21 October, 28 October,
18 November, 25 November.

Kinder Orientation Session: 2 December.

Enrolment Packs will be handed out in October.



Playgroup

Thursday's
9-10.30am

Term 3 Dates:

25 July, 1 August, 8 August
15 August, 22 August, 29 August
5 September, 12 September,
19 September, 26 September.

Please bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea



Become a Reading Club Volunteer!

We're looking for parent volunteers to join our Reading Club! Help us out on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 8:55 am, starting August 14.

We'll provide special training sessions in the library after school on Mondays and Thursdays by appointment. You'll learn how to read with students, what to look for, and useful strategies to use. Training must be completed before you start volunteering.

If you're interested, please email Mrs. Hinds at serena.hinds@decyp.tas.gov.au. We'd love to have you on board!



Parent Feedback Needed!

Enhance Our Parent Literacy Support Sessions!

Following feedback from our recent School Association Meetings, we are looking for input from our school community to shape future parent sessions supporting our updated literacy approaches. Your participation is essential to ensure these sessions are effective and valuable for you and your children.

Why Participate?

Your feedback will help us customize these sessions to meet your needs, making them both convenient and impactful.

Take the Survey Today!

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/zM8Yxc3eYi>.

The survey will close on August 30.

Thank you for your continued support!

Warm regards,

Serena Hinds
Quality Teaching Coach



Creek Cafe Term 3

Please make sure your orders are in by the Friday before.

Term 3 Creek Cafe dates:

Wednesday 31 July - Creamy Vegetable & Noodle Soup

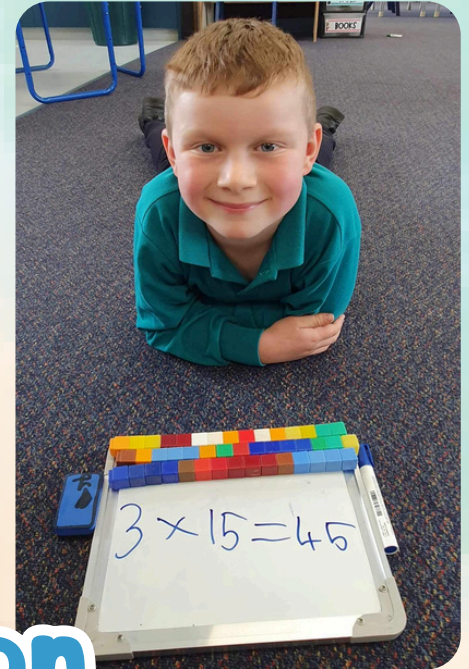
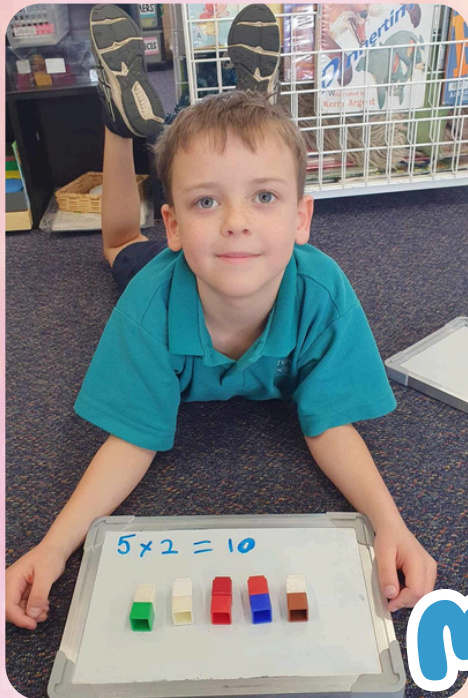
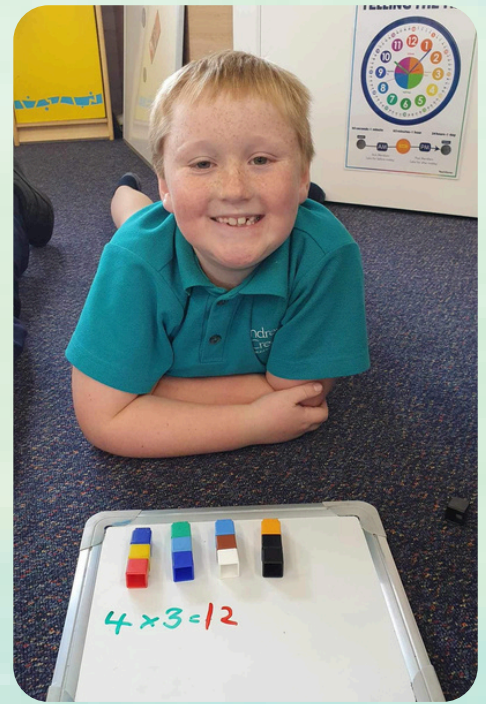
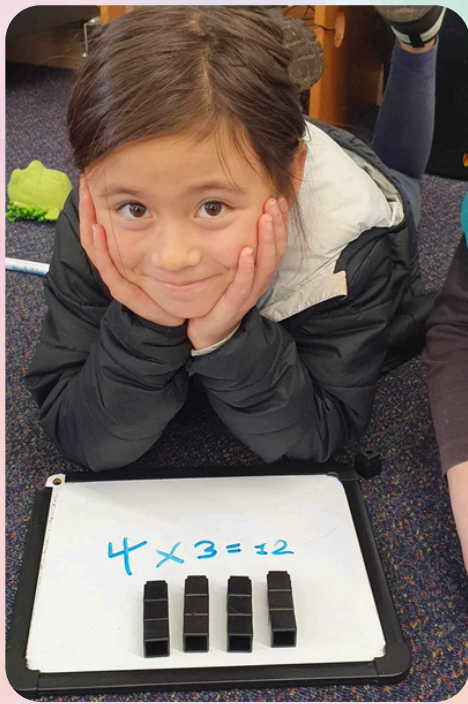
Wednesday 14 August - Spaghetti Bolognese

Tuesday 27 August - TBA (Day change)

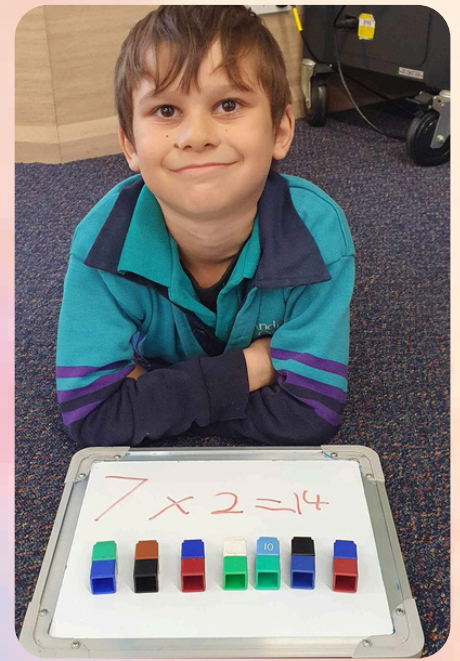
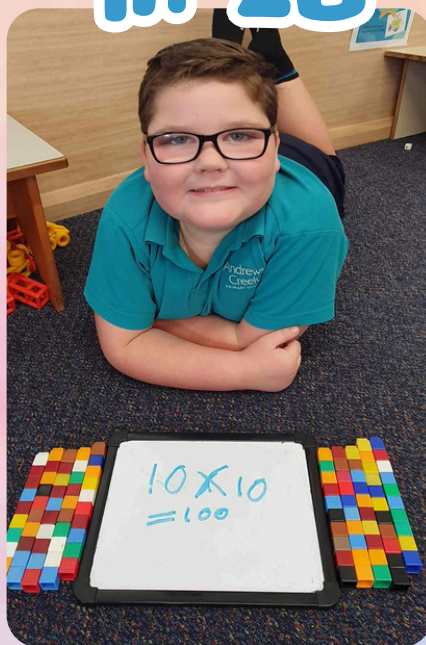
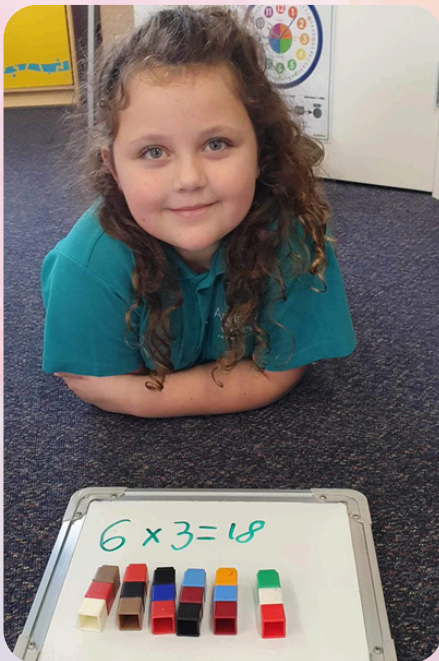
Wednesday 11 September - TBA

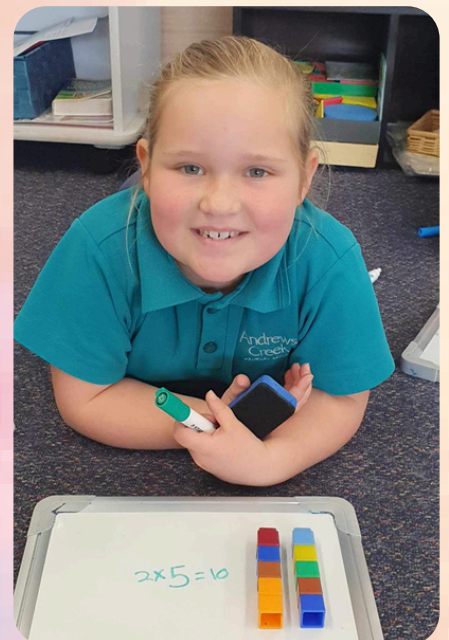
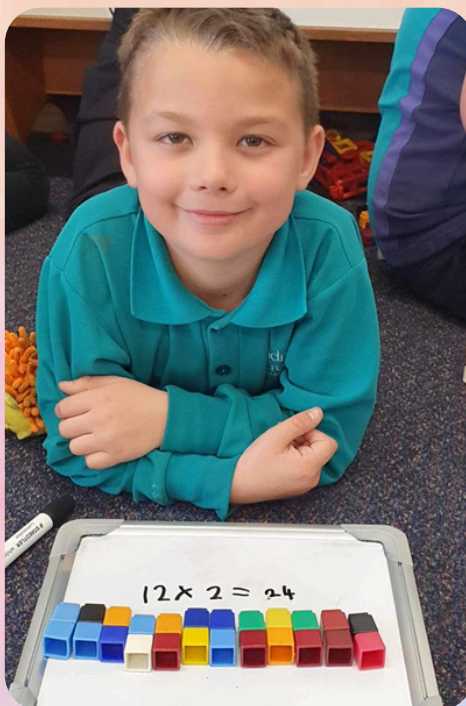
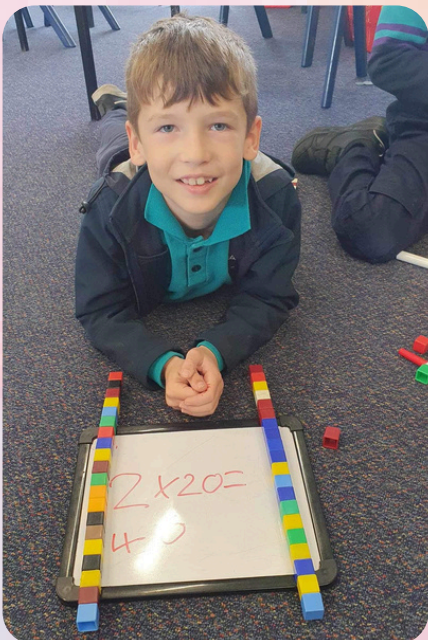
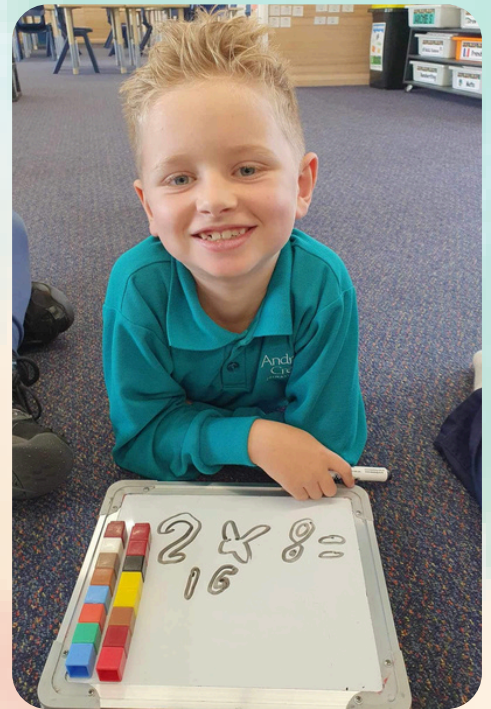
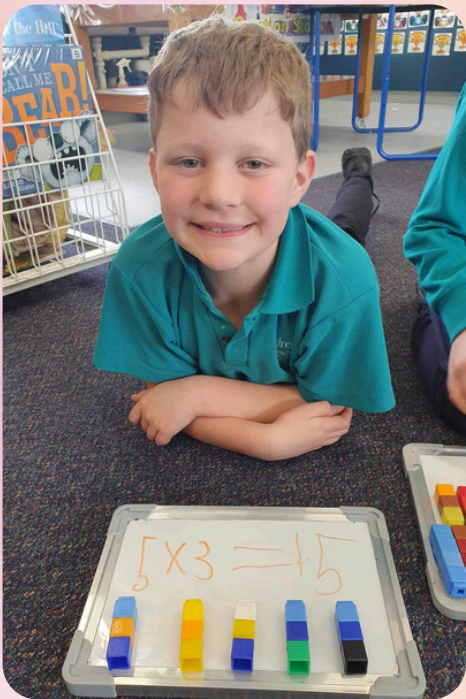
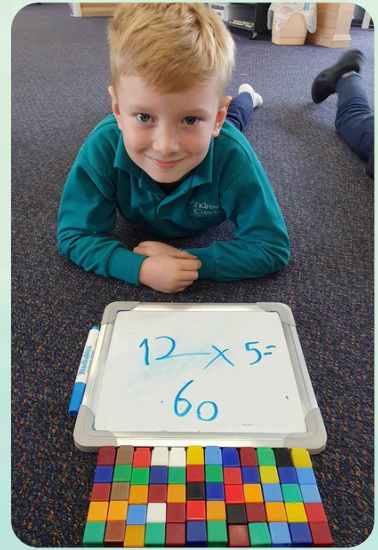
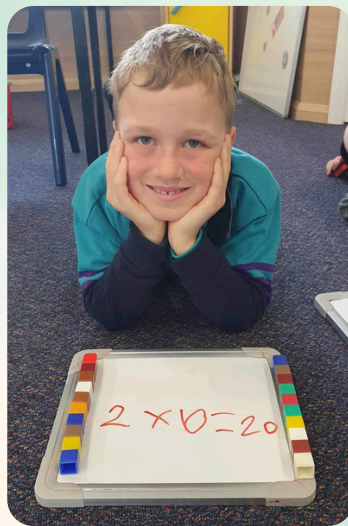
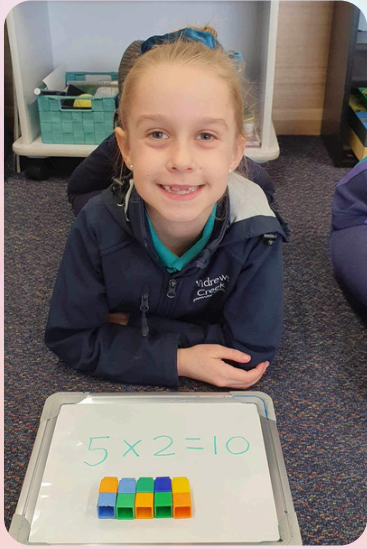
Friday 27 September - Footy Colours Day

We are looking for parent volunteers to help out with hot dogs for Footy Colours Day as Alana is away. Please let the office know if you are free from 9-1pm.



Multiplication in 2B





Subway lunch

Don't forget Subway lunches are available each Friday!



Subway Lunch
on Friday's

- NEW website: app.canteenhub.com.au
- Create your account: app.canteenhub.com.au/register-customer
- Subs For You has moved to be a part of Canteen Hub
- Please place your order by 9:30pm, the night before
- **Please email contact@subsforyou.com if you have any questions**

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SPRING ROSTERS

STARTING 4TH SEPTEMBER

- NETTA** for grades 2, 3 & 4
- PRIMARY** for grades 5 & 6
- SECONDARY** for grades 7, 8, 9 & 10
- SECONDARY MIXED** for grades 7, 8, 9 & 10
- WOMEN'S** 13 years to adult
- MIXED** 13 years to adult

www.devonnetball.com.au/get-involved
admin@devonnetball.com.au



School Nurse News

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT call 1300 011 013

Latrobe Dental Clinic- Bradshaw street.



5-11 AUG 2024
DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

let's talk about gums

What can you do to ensure your child has great oral health?




Pea sized amount of fluoride toothpaste

Small head and soft bristles



Brush with a FLUORIDE TOOTHPASTE

spit
DON'T RINSE



Only 25% of Aussies floss regularly. Do you?

love your teeth



Brush your teeth before bed with no food or drink afterwards.

love your teeth



#let's talk about gums

Top ways Aussies care for their gums

- Using floss, interdental brushes or water flosser
- Brushing to reach the gums

DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Community News



PLAYHOUSE

NOW OPEN THURSDAYS!

9:15AM
-
12PM

MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY

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COMPETITION



TASFREIGHT

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EXHIBITION

OPENING 4 PM SUNDAY AUGUST 11
by the Honorable Mike Gaffney MLC
LATROBE ARTS HUB
21 GEORGE ST, LATROBE
Exhibition and voting closes,
Sunday 2 pm August 18
Enquiries: 0409 551 512

With assistance from the Latrobe Council
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In Term 3 AFL Tasmania are running NAB AFL Auskick and NAB AFL Superkick at local North West schools.

These programs are great opportunities for children to participate in Auskick and Superkick, programs to help you become the next Tassie Devils!

All participants will receive a pack including a Tassie Devils shirt for Auskickers plus more cool footy items, and Superkickers will receive a pack including a sports bag, football, socks and more.

The programs are running for either 6 or 4 weeks, for more information visit this link - Schools offering Auskick & Superkick in Term 3 | AFL Tasmania

If you have any questions please contact Payton Connell at 0488 993 123 or via email at payton.connell@afl.com.au



SCHOOL BASED AUSKICK & SUPERKICK

Level up with AFL Tas coaches at your school oval!

WEEKS 1 - 6 OF TERM 3
Penguin District School **Mondays**
Spreyton Primary School **Tuesdays**
Port Sorell Primary School **Wednesdays**
Miandetta Primary School **Thursdays**
East Ulverstone Primary School **Fridays**

WEEKS 7 - 10 OF TERM 3
Sheffield School **Mondays**
Devonport Primary School **Tuesdays**
East Devonport Primary School **Wednesdays**
Ulverstone Primary School **Thursdays**
Nixon Street Primary **Fridays**

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