



# The Creek This Week

Andrews  
Creek  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
*Learn Inspire Shine*

Andrews Creek Primary School



## Upcoming events

### Monday 18 August

Pre-Kinder program 9am  
Chess tournament - Geneva.

Resilience Project event  
6pm for 6:30pm start

### Tuesday 19 August

Merit Assembly 2pm

### Wednesday 20 August

Book Fair 2.30-3.30pm  
Young Tassie Scientists  
Latrobe High Parent  
Information evening 6pm-  
8.15pm

### Friday 22 August

Book Week Dress Up

### Friday 5 September

Father's Day Event  
Grade 6 Challenge Day  
Toolskool visit

### Saturday 6 September

School Association game  
night

## Principal's Message

This week marks National Science Week, with the theme of Decoding the Universe. Exploring the unknown with nature's hidden language and our moon and evening sky currently putting on a great display, there are so many wonderful learning opportunities for curious minds. Yesterday we had a visit by science students from Latrobe High School conducting experiments with our students and next week we are excited to have a visit from the Young Tassie Scientists to work with our classes. The Science curriculum give our students so many exciting opportunities that our teachers love exploring with them.

Straight off the back of National Science Week is the 80th anniversary of Children's Book Week. This year's theme is Book an Adventure. Once again, we will be holding our Book Fair and Book Parade during the week. Please see the advertisements later in the newsletter for further details about both events.

Speaking of reading, you may have noticed some changes in the way we're teaching reading in our school. These changes are part of a statewide commitment to ensure every student develops strong reading skills that will support them throughout school and beyond.

Learning to read is a skill that must be taught - it's not something we're born knowing how to do. That's why our teachers are using high-quality, evidence-based strategies to help every child become a confident reader.

Our students are learning to read in through structured and explicit literacy teaching. This means they are building foundational literacy skills step by step, with each new skill reinforcing the last. This approach helps students grow into capable, independent readers.

We're proud to be part of this statewide effort to provide structured literacy lessons that are proven to work. Thank you for your ongoing support as we help every student succeed.

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### Attendance

School Goal  
91%  
Current rate  
92%

Finally, I would like to just make sure everyone who is able marks the afternoon of Tuesday 9th September in their diaries. On this day we will be having Open Classrooms for parents and carers to come in and take time looking through your child's learning, specifically in the areas of English, Maths and Science. This event forms a part of our Reporting to Families requirements and we look forward to see as many of you as possible there.

Yours in partnership,

Nathan Rockliff  
A/PRINCIPAL



## ICAS Assessments

**ICAS assessment registration is now closed.** Teachers will have a list of students entering so they can send them down during class time to sit the assessments.

### Sitting Dates for Term 3:

**Digital Technologies** - Monday 4 August

**Writing** - Thursday 7 August

**English** - Monday 11 August

**Science** - Monday 18 August

**Spelling Bee** - Thursday 21 August

**Maths** - Wednesday 27 August

If a student is absent on testing day, they are able to sit the test before the cut-off at the end of that same week. If they are away all week, they will not be able to sit the test the week after as the testing window closes.

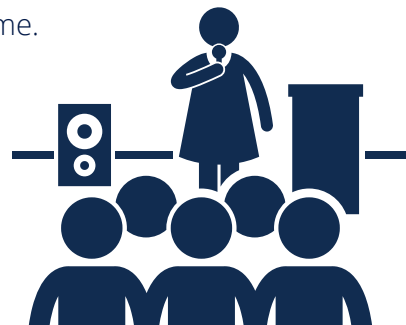


## Merit Assembly

**Tuesday 19 August starting at 2pm**

**Classes Sharing: Grade 1, Kinder, 3/4B**

All parents are welcome.



# School Association News



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## Book Week 2025

Andrews Creek Primary  
Activities

Wednesday 20 August

Book Fair

2.30-3.30pm  
in the Music Room

Friday 22 August

Book Week Dress Up Parade

8.55am-9.15am  
in the Courtyard

80  
years  
THE CHILDREN'S  
BOOK COUNCIL OF  
AUSTRALIA  
1945-2025



Artwork by Jess McGeachin © 2025  
Children's Book Council of Australia

## Book Week at ACPS!

Book Week begins next week! We're celebrating with exciting activities, a vibrant book fair, and our much-loved dress-up day on Friday. If possible, we'd love to see everyone bring a book that matches their costume... let's make stories come to life! 📖✨ Let's book an adventure together!

On Wednesday 20th August, our Book Fair will be held in the music room from 2:30pm-3:30pm. Students will have an opportunity with their class to view books and make a wish list the day prior.

On Friday 22nd August, students can come to school dressed as a favourite book character. Our parade will be held from 8:55am - 9.15am and parents are welcome to come to the parade

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is a wonderful way to start the day, offering students a warm, nourishing breakfast and a friendly atmosphere. To keep it running smoothly, we rely on the generous support of our school community. We need 4 - 5 volunteers each week to make this happen!

If you're able to help, please use our new booking system to choose a day that suits you:

👉 Click here to book your spot:

<https://outlook.office.com/book/AndrewsCreekBreakfastClub@tasedu.onmicrosoft.com/?ismsaljsauthenabed>

Volunteers arrive between 8:00 and 8:15am to assist with setup, and breakfast is served from 8:30am.

If the booking link doesn't work for you, just send Mrs Hinds an email or seesaw message with:

- The date you're available
- Your email address

Your time and support make a real difference. Whether it's once a term or once a week, we'd love to have you on board!

## Game Night

🎲 Save the Date!

Join us for a fun-filled Game Night hosted by the School Association on **Saturday, 6th September** at **Wesley Vale Football Club**.

Come along from **5:30 PM for a 6 PM** start and enjoy a night of games, prizes, and community spirit... all in support of reducing costs for the Year 6 camp and upgrading our interactive garden.

🧠 Test your skills, win prizes, and help make a difference! [More information coming soon](#) 🙈.





## STAR Cards

**Evie** - for the kind, thoughtful donation of a wildlife camera for our Creek Program.

**Lusiana** - for showing support & leadership when making a fire at the creek.

**Lucy S.** - for showing support & encouragement at the creek.

**Kade** - for showing great leadership when lighting a fire at the creek.

**Cooper** - for tidying up the sandpit all by himself.

**Kayden** - for trying his best on writing and drawing tasks.

**Josh** - for a respectful week in Kinder.

**Lyla** - for always demonstrating thoughtful behaviours

towards others.

**Grayson** - for 100% attendance in Term 2.

**Elizabeth** - for reaching her goal in reading.

**Declan** - for his incredible participation in our reading group.

**Madilyn** - for showing courage by signing up to ICAS.

**Delilah E.** - for thoughtful actions to help classmates.

**Fletcher** - for helping others tidy up their tables.

**Phoenix** - for trying your best to have a better day today.

**Albie R., Edie and Remy** - for using the library quietly and respectfully.

**Zara** - for always being a safe class member.

**Frankie** - for putting effort into her writing task.

**Mila N.** - for always being a fine example of what a great class member should be.

**Roy** - for being a thoughtful and kind friend in class by giving up a toy to make them feel happy.

**Max N** - always contributing to class discussions.

**Faith** - always polite and has a smile when asked to do anything.

**Alexander** - giving "real" effort to his learning tasks.

**Asta** - prepared to do the extra bit to keep our classroom safe.

**William** - active participation in class discussions.

**Asta** - for organising and providing ingredients for our smores at the creek.

**Sofia** - for organising and providing the smores ingredients at the creek.

**Harry** - for using his initiative to open Reading Club.

**Declan** - for returning his reading jobs each day.

**Maci** - always makes our classroom safe.

**Harry** - organisation and willing to do extra to help out.

**Alexander** - for coming up with an idea, making it a reality and sharing and guiding his classmates.

**Ziggy** - for doing some amazing artwork today.

**Freyja** - for always being safe inside our classroom.

**Harry** - for reaching his goal in reading.

**Rose** - being respectful in the classroom.



## STAR Cards

**Hartley** - for continued 100% attendance this year. Keep up the good work.

**Hamish** - for being a caring class member today.

**Dotty** - for helping another student log into the computer.

**Edie** - being respectful in the library

**Pippa** - for always demonstrating excellent listening during group time.

**Neve** - for always being kind.

**Bonnie R** - for always helping during tidy up time!

**Caleb S** - for his effort on all tasks.

**Declan** - trying to complete a quality piece of science work.

**Bella** - can be relied upon to be an ACPS Star!

**Evora** - respectful of others and quietly diligent in the classroom.

**Evelyn** - for respectful listening and manners in the classroom.

**Willow** - amazing work in division io maths!

**Connor** - for being a safe and responsible member of our class, always willing to help keep our classroom tidy.

**Milla** - for being a kind and caring friend and offering support when a peer was upset.

**Alfie** - for a super effort and great participation during UFLI. Amazing work Alfie!

**Elka** - for working really hard at her learning goals and writing a fantastic retell with great detail.

**Lexi** - for helping tidy up.

**Zara** - for always being a great helper when it comes to tidying up.

**Fletcher** - for putting so much effort into your work this afternoon.

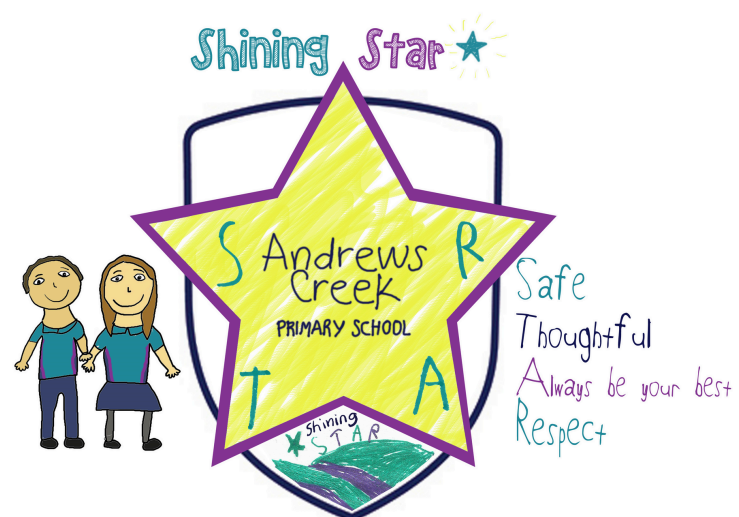
**Merryn** - for a fantastic effort in daily fitness today.

**Carter** - for turning his day around and showing respect and thoughtfulness in his class.

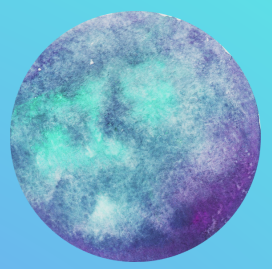
**Brooklyn** - for putting so much effort into her work today.

**Robert** - for doing a spelling test without being asked.

**Oscar P.** - for doing a spelling word test without being asked.



# national science week



A big thank you to the Latrobe High School students who visited our K - 4 classes running activities as part of Science Week this week. Our students were excited to be able to create a galaxy in a jar!



An Australian Government Initiative



## Creek Cafe

### Term 3 Dates:

**Wednesday 27 August**

Zucchini Slice

**Wednesday 10 September**

Beef Chow Mein

**Wednesday 24 September**

Footy Colours Day Hot Dogs



**Wednesday 24 September**

All proceeds from hot dog sales  
will be donated to the  
Fight Cancer Foundation



No gold coin donations required this year  
Hot dog Pre-Orders due by Friday 19 September



## The Resilience Project

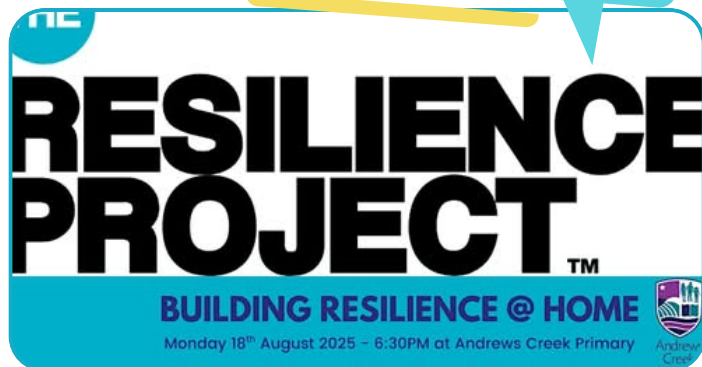
### Exciting Parent & Carer Event - Building Resilience @ Home

A reminder that on Monday 18th August, our school will be hosting a special event in partnership with The Resilience Project.

**This free session is designed for Parents, Carers, and our wider Community.**

**Event:** Building Resilience @ Home  
**Date:** Monday 18th August  
**Time:** Doors open 6pm for 6:30pm start  
**Location:** Andrews Creek Primary School

Reserve your  
free seat  
today!



As part of our whole school approach to supporting student wellbeing, this session will help bridge the gap between the classroom and home. It's a fantastic opportunity to learn more about how we can work together to foster resilience and wellbeing in our children.

During the session, you'll gain:

- Insight into The Resilience Project (TRP) and how it's implemented in our school.
- Practical tips and strategies to support your child's wellbeing at home using the GEM principles – Gratitude, Empathy, and Mindfulness.
- Ideas to support your own wellbeing, helping you to model resilience and self-care.

We encourage all parents and carers to attend and be part of this important conversation. Together, we can make a meaningful impact on our children's emotional and mental wellbeing. Reserve your seat here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/building-resilience-home-the-resilience-project-tickets-1574828246679?aff=oddtcreator>

# What's been happening in 6 Wallace



6 Wallace have just finished their science unit on electricity. We presented an action-packed assembly item based on our work called JEOPARDY Electricity.

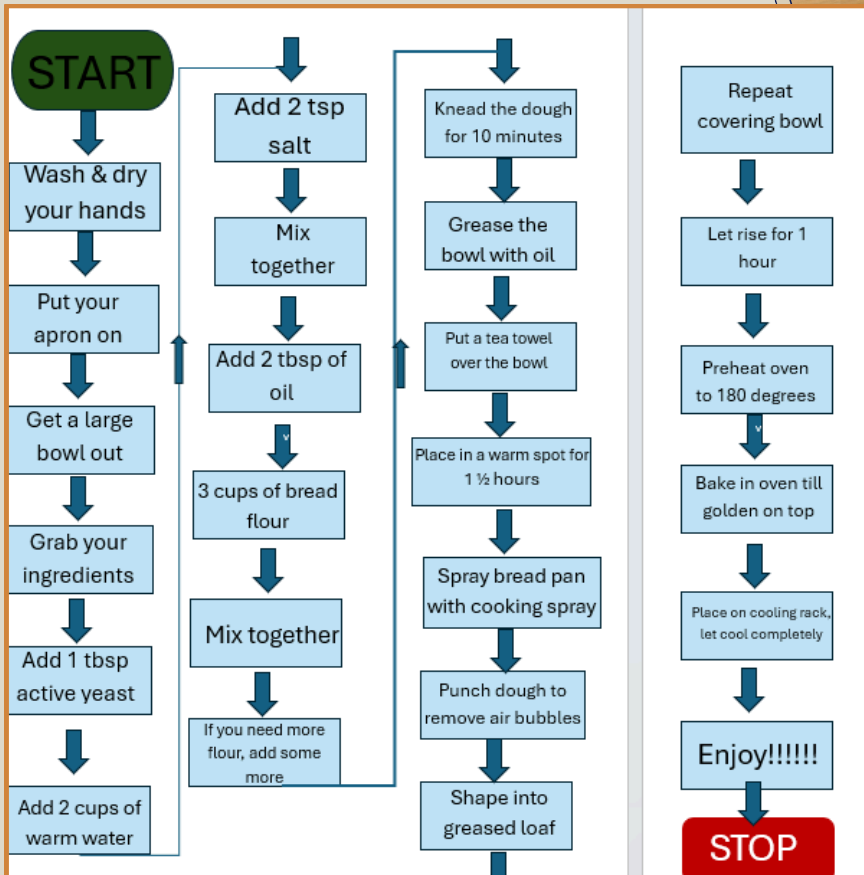
Continuing the theme and with Science Week upon us we have started a new unit on Micro Organisms. A Micro Organism, we decided, is a living thing that is too small to see with our own eyes.

The first Micro-Organism we looked at is yeast. To build on our knowledge we had Alana come in as a special presenter and we made bread from scratch two different ways - one way was using a bread maker and the second way was the old fashioned way. We then sketched our bread and noticed all of the air holes and marvelled at what the yeast has done. Next, we will be conducting a science experiment to see what environment yeast thrives in best and the effects of the environment on it. Stay tuned for the results!

We also made our own flow charts on the bread making process.



## chart by Asta



# From Nurse Debbie

## Healthy Reads from the School Nurse

It's Book Week and this year, we're celebrating stories that not only spark imagination but also help our children grow strong in body and mind. The Health on the Shelf collection, developed in collaboration with Libraries Tasmania and the Department of Health, features a range of wonderful children's books that support health and wellbeing through engaging stories. These books are specially chosen for children aged 0–12 years, and explore important health themes in fun, engaging ways.

- Appreciating diversity
- Building positive relationships
- Maintaining healthy bodies
- Managing feelings and emotions
- Understanding food and nutrition



Here are a few favourites from the collection:

- “Eating the Alphabet” by Lois Ehlert – A colourful journey through fruits and veggies. (Ages 0–8)
- “The Pigeon Needs a Bath!” by Mo Willems – A hilarious reminder about hygiene. (Ages 3–8)
- “Her Body Can” by Katie Crenshaw – Empowering messages about body confidence. (Ages 5–10)
- “Stay for Dinner” by Sandhya Parappukaran – A beautiful story about cultural diversity and food. (Ages 5–12)

All the books are available to borrow at Libraries Tasmania

Reading together is one of the best ways to support your child's health and development. So this Book Week, let's celebrate stories that help our kids thrive—inside and out.



# Community News



**Enrolments for Term 3 now open. Limited spaces available**

## Learn tennis for life

Tasmanian Tennis Academy at Devonport Tennis Club  
Ages 3+  
[hotshots.tennis.com.au](http://hotshots.tennis.com.au) Pip 0438 687 542  
[www.coachpip.com](http://www.coachpip.com)

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THE FILM

## DEVONPORT, TAS FILM SCREENING

Tuesday, 19th August 2025 | 7PM

READING CINEMA DEVONPORT, TAS  
5/7 BEST ST, DEVONPORT TAS 7310

THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY SPREYTON PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT SEENTHEFILM.COM \$10



SCAN ME

## Seen Parenting Documentary – August 19th from 6pm at Reading Cinema, Devonport.

Free Supper

Special Guest - Allison Davies

We would love you to join us..... for a night of transformation, connection and community. Spreyton Primary School Association are hosting a parenting documentary called 'Seen'. The film features Maggie Dent, Dr Billy Garvey plus a whole host of psychologists and parenting experts, with a focus on self-reflection and understanding your parenting techniques to encourage forming stronger bonds with our children. Parents from all walks of life share their personal experiences of putting these practices into place and changing the dynamics of their home life.

Free supper will be supplied on the night from 6pm and the bar will be open at the cinema, we'd love to see you for a chat and socialise before the film. We hope to spread some hope and positivity through our wonderful community, into our homes and classrooms.

We're also super excited to announce that Allison Davies will be a special guest on the night to speak before the film followed by a short Q and A at the conclusion. Allison has worked with Maggie Dent and other professionals featured in the film. She is a professional in her own right, touring nationally and internationally conducting workshops and sharing her knowledge of understanding neuro divergence and trauma informed approaches. We are really lucky to have her join us.

More information can be found at [www.seenthefilm.com](http://www.seenthefilm.com)

Click here for the trailer <https://youtu.be/bZPQXpw6kT0>

Click here for tickets \$10 +BF <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/seen-the-film-devonport-tas-hosted-by-spreyton-primary-school-tickets-1429762661609?aff=oddtcreator>



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