



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, TARRO

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To live God's call through the Mercy Tradition



RENEWAL FOR GROWTH

Tuesday 2nd May 2023



Next P&F Meeting 9th May 2023 ALL WELCOME

UNIFORM ANNOUNCEMENT—Due to the Athletics Carnival on Friday there will be no Sport this Thursday. ALL STUDENTS are to wear normal summer uniform Thursday and SPORT UNIFORM Friday for our



We are Easter people

Alleluia is our song.

Without the Resurrection of Christ there is no life, no hope, no victory.

While all the chocolates might have been munched and our Church services barbeques, and holidays may be over—the Easter Season continues. We return to school with the sense of joy and hope that the Easter Season gives us. The season of Easter begins with the Holy Triduum we spoke about last term and ends at Pentecost—often known as the birthday of the Church. This year Pentecost falls on Sunday 28th May.

As Easter people we are called to take up the challenge before us to say yes to being disciples, yes to making a difference in our communities. If we say yes, then for this yes to be true and sincere, we must live like Easter makes a difference in our lives and ultimately the lives of others. To meet this challenge we don't need a complete upheaval of our entire universe, we simply need to let the lord guide us as we love, care for and forgive others in all we do.

Let us take up the challenge at OLOL to truly BE Easter people.

Have a great week, *Petrina Massey*

Term 2 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	1/5	2/5	3/5 Stage 1 Mass 9:30am in the Chapel <i>All Welcome</i>	4/5	5/5 OLOL Athletics Carnival
3	8/5	9/5	10/5 Mother's Day Stall Dio Cross Country	11/5 Gymnastics Infants, S3B and S3R	12/5 Mother's Day Breakfast followed by our Mother's Day Liturgy—9am Gymnastics Stage 2 and S3W ***Sat 13 th *** Sustainability Day 10am - 2pm Kinder 2024 Enrolments Close
4	15/5 Catholic Schools Week	16/5	17/5 Catholic Schools Week Liturgy 9.30am Open Classrooms Picnic Lunch <i>NOTE DATE CHANGE</i>	18/5 Gymnastics Infants, S3B and S3R	19/5 Gymnastics Stage 2 and S3W
5	22/5	23/5	24/5	25/5 Gymnastics Infants, S3B and S3R	26/5 Gymnastics Stage 2 and S3W
6	29/5	30/5	31/5 Reconciliation Day Celebrations	1/6 Gymnastics Infants, S3B and S3R Confirmation Beresfield	2/6 Gymnastics Stage 2 and S3W
7	5/6	6/6	7/6 Stage 3 Mass 9:30am Chapel <i>All Welcome</i>	8/6	9/6 Pupil Free Day Staff Spirituality Retreat
8	12/6 Kings Birth- day Public Holiday	13/6	14/6 Stage 2 Excursion	15/6 Gymnastics Infants, S3B and S3R	16/6 Gymnastics Stage 2 and S3W

Arriving at School

Students are not to arrive BEFORE 8.30am

Teachers are not on duty before this time and supervision is not provided.

Access to the school before 8.30am is strictly for
STAFF ONLY.

Apologies for any inconvenience, but this is an important
Child Protection matter.

In addition to Cheryl's usual message above:

There are a large number of cars waiting outside for the gate to open. Please note there is before school care available locally across the road in Northern Avenue. In fact many children are starting to wait outside our gate from 8:20 this is not OK.

There are a significant number of our smaller children being dropped off very early (8:30-8:40) and they are struggling to come in the gate or manage the early morning at school. Coming early adds a significant amount of time to an already long day for our little people.

The majority of students arrive between 8:50 and 9am. This means there are more children here and so your child's friends are more likely to be at school—making starting the day a much happier experience.

Please consider dropping your child off a little closer to the start of the school day if possible. Teachers are always happy to assist our students however, the before school period is a busy preparation time for lessons also.

Many thanks all the teachers.



We need you!

Many hands really do make light work and there are many ways you can volunteer your time to help provide the opportunities we do for our students.

We are lucky to have the support of our community at OLOL and working together is a part of building the special community we have.

Do you have some time to spare? It does not have to be hours... every little bit counts. If you can assist in any of the following ways PLEASE email the staff member indicated. Thank you so much!

BASKETBALL HOOP

We have a second basketball hoop for children to use at lunchtimes. BUT it needs assembling!! We are sure a small group of mums and dads could whip this up in a couple of hours! We would love our second hoop! If you can help please email the school: tro.admin@mn.catholic.edu.au

Cultural and Sustainability Festival

Saturday 13th May. Volunteers needed: set-up, welcoming, BBQ, drinks, pack-up etc. Any time you have between 8:30am and 2:30pm would be welcome!

Please email Karen: karen.tucker@mn.catholic.edu.au

ANY KEEN GARDENERS?

General maintenance of our Bushtucker Garden and fruit trees. Days and times to suit you!

Please email Karen: karen.tucker@mn.catholic.edu.au

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

We would love to have you! The children love seeing mum, dad, grandma, grandad, aunty etc in the canteen. Please email Kaye if you would like to join this band of volunteers. kaye.hutchinson@mn.catholic.edu.au



On the last day of Term 2 we held our Holy Week Reflection with students not only hearing but seeing the Gospel come alive. Congratulations to all students who assisted in bringing our story to life. Thank you to our parents, carers and friends who were able to join us.





Our Lady of Lourdes Easter Resurrection Liturgy

Our School Candle was lit by the Paschal Candle from the OLOL Church Beresfield. The Light of Christ will shine upon us and with us in all we do this year.

We sincerely thank Mr John Crump for bringing the Paschal Candle from our Church to the school for our Service.







ANZAC Day Dawn Service

Thank you to the students and families who were able to be a part of the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at Beresfield this year.



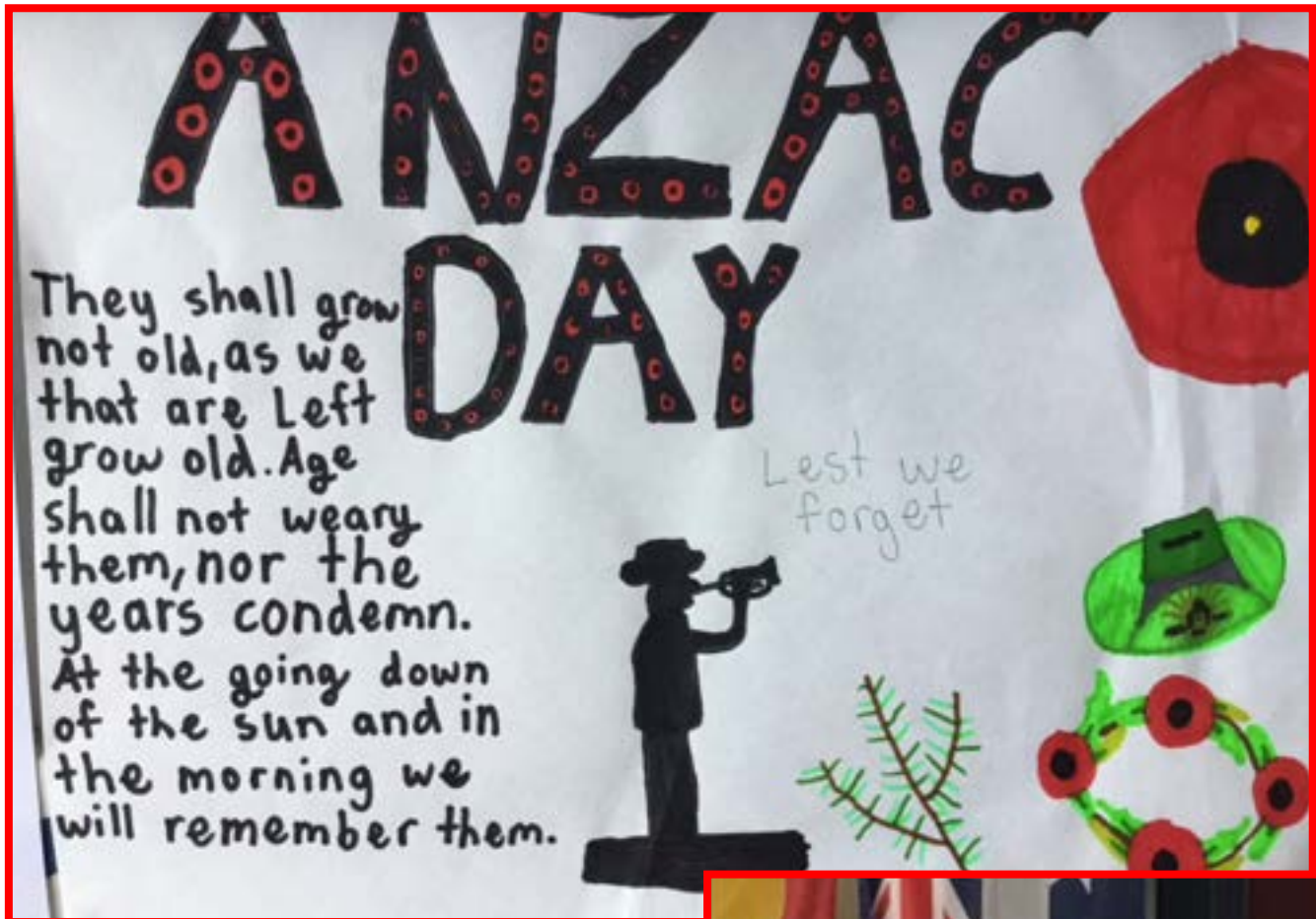
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ANZAC Day

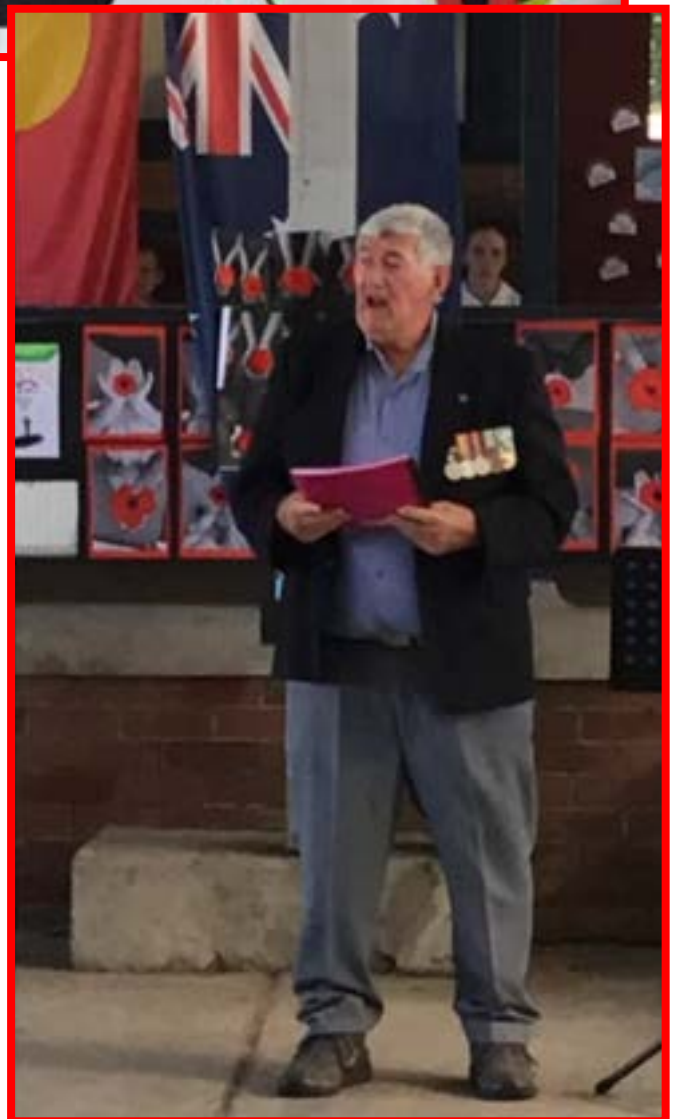


Our Lady Lourdes ANZAC Service 2023





We welcomed and thank Mr John Bradford for joining us. Mr Bradford is a Vietnam Veteran. He led us through some important parts of our Service including reciting the Ode and leading us in a moments silence. After our service Mr Bradford spoke to us about his time in Vietnam . Every day it rained at 4pm—you could set your watch by it! They would get wet and sleep in their clothes but it was ok because the next day you were dry and could walk on again. He shared the hard times but also told us that the time with his mates and with the Vietnam people also had its good times and was fun. He enjoyed his time in Vietnam.







LEST WE FORGET
Anzac Day



Kindergarten 2024 Enrolments

Closing soon!

Enrolments are open for Kindergarten 2024! If you have a child wishing to start Kindergarten in 2024 please collect an enrolment form from the office at your earliest convenience.

If you know of a family member, friend or someone in the community who would like to enrol their child into Kindergarten at OLOL for 2024 please let them know **ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN** and to contact the school office by phoning 49 66 1302 or they are welcome to pop in.



Library News

Library Days this term:

Mondays— S1W, S1B, S1R, K and S2R.

Tuesdays— S3B, S3R, S3W, S2B and S2W.

Please remember to send in library bags with K - 4 children and book returns.

Book Club

Book Club was sent home last week. All orders are due back by 9am Tuesday 9th May (Week 3).

Premier's Reading Challenge

If your child has finished the PRC, please send it in, or I can give your their usernames and passwords if you prefer to log the books yourself.

Thankyou
Stacey Graham

Term 2 Sport

Gymnastics

Last week we began Gymnastics lessons for Sport. Our Gymnastics sessions will be an 8 week program for all classes K-6.

There were lots of smiling faces last Thursday and Friday. It looks like it will be a great sport term!



Reminder - Sports days this term are:

Thursday—Kinder, all Stage 1 classes, Stage 3 Blue and Stage 3 Red.

Friday—All Stage 2 classes and Stage 3 White.





The Staff of Our Lady of Lourdes invite you to gather with your family for a community breakfast highlighting the gift of our mothers and celebrating all those who care for children.

Friday 12th May from 7.00am – 8.30am.

Cold Breakfast \$4 (Toast or croissant, juice, tea, coffee)

Hot Breakfast \$8 (Bacon & Egg roll, juice, tea, coffee)

RSVP by Wednesday 10th May

(note and money in a clearly marked envelope please)

NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST – Friday 12th May

Family Name:

Approx. time of arrival:

7am ___ 7.15am ___ 7.30am ___ 7.45am ___ 8am ___ 8.15am ___

Numbers Please:

Cold breakfast

Hot breakfast

Amount enclosed \$

Mother's Day Stall

This year our P&F Mother's Day Stall will be on Wednesday 10th May.

All children will attend the stall with their class on this day & make their own selection of a gift.

All gifts will be \$5.00 - All children will receive a Gift Bag.

Each class will be given access to a selection of all the gifts to choose from.

Including a selection that would be suitable for Grandmothers or someone your child may consider

to be a 'mother figure' in their life (ie: not everything will have 'Mum' written on it).

Please order & pay via FlexiSchools - this online ordering & payment option will be available until 4pm on 8.5.23. No need to return this note if you have ordered on FlexiSchools.

Or, complete & return the attached note with correct money (no change is able to be given),

in an envelope marked 'Mother's Day Stall', by no later than the morning of 8.5.23.

*We are sorry but due to time constraints we are unable to send home receipts for cash orders, if you are concerned please let us know and we will check for you to see if your order has been received.

*Help will be needed on Wednesday 10th May with the running of the stall (between 9am & 12pm).

Please let us know if you can help on this day via jackie@tomandjackie.com.au or leave a message at the office. Any help will be greatly appreciated - it's great fun - every child in the school visits the stall on this day - so many smiling faces!

*In line with current volunteering requirements for our school all helpers will need to have CSO approval to volunteer - prior to being able to assist on this stall. Please contact the school office with any enquiries.

*There will be an opportunity on the Friday for any child who has placed an order and was absent on stall day, to still be able to choose a gift. Any concerns please contact the office or Michelle and we will work something out.

Thank you from, Tenneile Vennerberg, Jackie Brennan and Michelle McDonald (event organisers on behalf of the P&F)

28.4.23

Name:..... Class:.....

My child will be selecting 1 gift - \$5.00 enclosed

My child will be selecting 2 gifts - \$10.00 enclosed

My child will be selecting 3 gifts - \$15.00 enclosed

My child will be selecting 4 gifts - \$20.00 enclosed

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My child will not be at school on the day of the Mother's Day stall this year

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY
SCHOOL TARRO PRESENTS:

Sustainability & Cultural Field Day

Saturday 13th May 10am- 2pm
42 Anderson Drive Tarro

Event begins with
Smoking Ceremony 10am

Bush Tucker tasting
BBQ & Cold Drinks

Meet & have a photo
taken with an
Australian native animal

Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander dance &
cultural workshops

Yarning Circle with Aunty Louise
Campbell (*this talk requires a FREE ticket*
please RSVP by 1st May to
E: admin@tarro.catholic.edu.au
T: 4966 1302)

Aboriginal & sustainable
local business stall inc. Oz
Tukka, Dhiyaan Arts &
many more

*We would like to acknowledge Hunter Local Land Services for their support
and funding contribution for this event*

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY
SCHOOL TARRO PRESENTS:

Sustainability & Cultural Field Day

Less than 2 weeks to go!!!

Spread the News!

*Please let your family, friends, neighbours, colleagues—
everyone know about the fantastic event coming up at your
child's beautiful school.*

*Use the flyer on the previous page to spread the word. Feel free
to add to your social media also.*

Helpers needed—Do you have anything from 30 minutes
to all day spare to lend a hand? Many hands make light
work.

Please email Karen —karen.tucker@mn.catholic.edu.au

Junior Landcare

Our Junior Land care team are getting very excited! Last
week they were building their habitats for the frog ponds!



SCHOOL SAFETY: A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY



Some tips for being safe around school:

**Always slow down to 40km/h and be aware of crossings.
Always park legally around school. (There is a disabled
park in Northern Ave)**

**It is safest for children to get in and out of the car from the
footpath-side door.**

**Manoeuvres such as U-turns and 3 point turns are
dangerous at busy times.**

**Model safe and conscious behaviour to your children– they
will learn from you.**

NEVER double park this puts children at risk.

Never park in no stopping or Bus Zones.

**Please park legally even if it means walking further to the
gate.**

Thank you for taking our children's safety seriously.

Code of Conduct for School Students on Buses

Behaviour on buses

- Use appropriate language not offensive or racist language
- Fighting, spitting, feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus is not permitted
- No eating or drinking (other than water) - unless for medical reasons or the bus operator gives written permission.
- Offer seats to adults including people with a disability, elderly or expectant mothers
- Do not push or shove other people
- Do not bully or harass other passengers or the driver
- Avoid attracting the attention of the driver except in the case of emergency

Do not play music at such volume that it may distract the bus driver or other passengers.

Safety on and near buses

- Obey reasonable directions from the driver (for example, where to sit or to remain in the bus)
- Remain in your seat - do not move around the bus unnecessarily
- If standing, remain behind the front passenger seat and always keep a secure hand hold
- Keep bags and other items clear of the aisle
- Do not allow any part of your body to protrude out of the bus at any time
- Wait for the bus in a quiet and orderly manner - including at bus interchanges
- Stand away from the roadside until the bus comes to a complete stop
- Allow other passengers to leave the bus before stepping onto the bus in a single line
- Wait until the bus stops before moving to get off the bus at your designated stop

Cross the road where and when it's safe to do so, use crossings/traffic lights where available.

Legal considerations on buses

- Wear the seat belt properly adjusted and fastened, if one is available
- Obey the law that bans smoking on buses
- Ensure that buses are not vandalised - report any damage, graffiti and window etching, to the driver
- Do not interfere with bus property, equipment and signage
- Do not leave rubbish on the bus, or at bus stops or interchanges.



Family Support Newcastle
From Family, for Communities

Family Support Newcastle and CALM Inc invite parents and carers of young people aged 10+ to



Tuning in to Teens™



WHEN

**Fridays
10am - 12pm**

DATES

**5th May to 9th
June 2023**

WHERE

**1/6 Leo Lewis
Close, Toronto,
Awabakal Country**

Discussion include:

- Develop new ways of talking with and understanding your teen
- Support your teen to manage difficult emotions
- Develop your teen's skills in managing conflict
- Being kind and caring to yourself

*Morning Tea will be
provided*

*Stay
tuned*

to register or enquire call

4950 3888

We will all need to follow COVID safe practices especially not attending if unwell



The Family Relationships and Skills program is funded by the Australian Government through Family Support Newcastle

Find us on Facebook



Family Support Newcastle and Samaritans invite parents and carers of young people aged 10+ to

Samaritans

Tuning in to TeensTM



WHEN

**Tuesdays
10am - 12pm**

DATES

**9th May to 13th
June**

WHERE

**73 Elgin St,
Maitland,
Wonnarua Country**

Discussion include:

- Develop new ways of talking with and understanding your teen
- Support your teen to manage difficult emotions
- Develop your teen's skills in managing conflict
- Being kind and caring to yourself

Morning Tea will be provided



To register or enquire call 49311000

The Family Relationships and Skills program is funded by the Australian Government through Family Support Newcastle. Samaritans Youth Engagement Officer is funded by the Department of Communities and Justice under the Targeted Early Intervention Program.





Woodberry Schools as Community Centre Place of Friends

Woodberry Public School, Lawson Ave Woodberry, NSW

Term 2 2023

Monday

Free

Woodberry Playgroup 9:00-11:00am

Indoor and outdoor play, arts and crafts, sing-along, stories and a whole lot more! Bring a healthy snack and water bottle!

Tuesday

Mytime 9:00-11:00am

My time is a FREE support group for parents and carers of children 0-16 years with a disability or chronic medical condition. Siblings are welcome.

New Parents Group 1:00-2:00pm

Parents with a new baby receive support and connection with other families in a group led by child and family health nurses & family support workers. A children's activity group will be available for older siblings.

Wednesday

Gymbaroo 9:30-11:30am

Babies 9:30 - 10am

Toddlers (Walking-3yo) 10 - 10:45am

Preschool (4-5yo) 10:45 - 11:30am

At the

Noel Unicomb Hall

Little Goldies 9:00-11:00am

Little Goldies Transition to School program for children starting Kindy next year at Woodberry Public School

Thursday

Navigator Playgroup 9:00-11:00am

Children navigate the world through exploration and play - learning valuable skills whilst having fun with early childhood educators. Support for parents from family support workers. Bring a healthy snack and water bottle!

Child and Family Health Clinic 9:00-12:00pm

Free health checks for children 0-5 years, parent advice and support. Bookings essential - see facebook for details

Other programs throughout the year

Developmental screening, parent support and programs, NDIS advice and referral, workshops & presentations by leading professionals



For further information: 0467726165

@WoodberryPlaceofFriends



vaping

a webinar for parents and carers



There's a lot of discussion about young people and vaping at the moment. headspace

Newcastle presents this FREE webinar to help sort the fact from the fiction.

We'll be joined by vaping experts Mel Jackson and Dr Krista Monkhouse from Hunter New England Health

Mel Jackson is a Clinical Research Coordinator at Hunter New England Health Drug and Alcohol Clinic.

Dr Krista Monkhouse is a paediatrician, Youth Drug and Alcohol at Hunter New England Health.

Wednesday, May 3rd @ 730pm-830pm

Online

Registrations via Eventbrite



headspace
Newcastle

Hunter
PRIMARYCARE

Merit Awards Term 2 Week 1 2023

Kindergarten	S1 White	S1 Red	S1 Blue
Logan Gagg	Finn Palmer	Layla Lo-Monaco	Olivia Cross
Charlie Bithrey	Alezander Fox	Liam Farragher	Grace McDonald
Kelsie Brennan			

S2 White	S2 Red	S2 Blue	S3 White	S3 Red	S3 Blue
Jude Black	Annabelle Beggs	Lucy Davis	Gurshaan Singh	Cooper Walsh	Kaydence Rolls
Chelsea Bailey	Myla Brassington	Ella Westbury	Lucy Morrison	Alana McFadyen	Indie Barry

Principal's Awards *Compassion*

These awards are recommended by the class teacher.

Principal's Award

Kindergarten	Marlow Griffiths
Stage 1 White	Evie Hall
Stage 1 Red	Reuben Kanogiq
Stage 1 Blue	Allira Barry
Stage 2 White	Jorja McColm
Stage 2 Red	Ella Carter
Stage 2 Blue	Sam Van Raalte
Stage 3 White	Skylah Charlton
Stage 3 Red	Cooper Walsh
Stage 3 Blue	Bailey Robertson