



HOLMAN PLACE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2024 Term 1 Edition 3

Thursday 28th March

Important Info:

Student of the Week

Week 7



Tj Armstrong
Koala

EMUS WORM FARM



From the Principal

Term 1 is flying by. We are only 2 weeks away from the autumn holidays and it is a busy two weeks coming up.

NAPLAN

Well done to the Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students who participated in the NAPLAN assessments. This can sometimes be a little overwhelming but all of the students tried their best.

FESTIVAL OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING

Our window display which was featured at the Cowra Ballet School was awarded 3rd prize! A huge thank you to Miss Sue who worked over the first few weeks to get this prepared and ready for viewing. A big congratulations to the students!!

ILLNESSES

Please be advised that we have had various illness around the school. This has included tummy bugs, general colds and COVID. If your child is unwell, they are to remain at home until they are well and symptom free. If your child is positive for COVID, they must remain at home until symptoms ease. If you require any tests, please contact the school.

SPORTING EVENTS

This term the students have been participating in tennis lessons at school. We are hoping to organise a time to play games at the local tennis courts later this term.

On the 5th April, students aged 10 and above have been invited to participate in the Cowra AWD Athletics Gala Day with other

schools from across Cowra. Notes will be sent home this week.

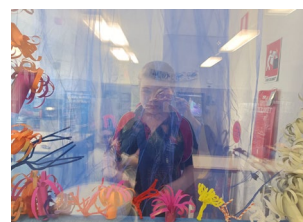
END OF TERM ASSEMBLY

We will be celebrating the achievements of our students on the Thursday 11th April at 2:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Have a fabulous four-day break!

Miss Amylee

*Check out the Emus
"Great Barrier Reef"
displays - how cool!!*





Wombats

The Wombats have continued to be busy creating art and craft. We were given the opportunity to view Kadinsky's Concentric Circles, and Van Gogh's Starry Night, and then create our own work using the shapes and colours observed. The Wombats have recently made individual jungles

with egg cartons, shredded paper and pictures of jungle animals. We enjoyed moving the animals about in their jungle environment and were very excited to take them home 😊 Miss Di has been singing a new song to the Wombats which uses sad and happy expressions called Three Jellyfish. It is quickly becoming a class

favourite. During our van adventures we have been continuing to visit the pigs. It has been very exciting to see how much the piglets grow each week. We have been told that a second litter was recently born, so now we are waiting for them to come outside to play.

Miss Di, Miss Sue, Miss Kait



Koalas

The Koalas have had a busy few weeks.

In science we are looking at Living Things, this has been the study of animals and plants. Last week after learning all about the worlds smelliest plant the Corpse Flower, we went to the Japanese gardens to smell all the plants and decide which

one was our favourite. The roses won.

This week we are starting on life cycles of animals to be followed with the life cycle of insects and chickens and frogs.

In Geography last week we had a close look at Italy in preparation for the International Festival of Understanding.

The children made fabulous masks with Miss Hayley.

We continue to enjoy our morning walks with the rest of the school and love watching the changes as Autumn arrives.

Wishing all families a safe and happy Easter weekend.

Miss Kylie and Miss Mel



Goanna

The Goanna class have been continuing the term by learning about different countries across the globe. Some of our favourites so far have been Egypt where we learnt about the pyramids and mummification process and Brazil where we learnt about the ecosystems of the

rainforest and what plants and animals live there. One of our favourite facts to learn was the size of amazon plant leaves like the banana and philodendron. They are so big that they can be used to create shelters from the rain. We have begun to investigate a hypothetical lost in the rainforest scenario and have just started to look

at processes of water purification. We are looking forward to conducting our own experiments in the coming weeks. It has been a fun term so far but it will be nice to have a break over Easter so we can come back rested and recharged for more learning.

Mr Bell, Miss Lisa and Miss My

Emus

The Emus have been learning about sustainability in Geography, which connects to our Agriculture and Science Living Things programs. The students researched and then set up a worm farm. We learned what food to give the worms and now we feed them each day with scraps from our lunchboxes.

As our worm population increase, we will collect food waste from other classes and the worms will help us by producing great fertiliser for our garden.

We have learnt about the Great Barrier Reef and how climate change is causing coral bleaching. In Art we are creating a Barrier Reef display complete with

healthy and bleached coral with a giant colourful octopus the centrepiece of the display.

In PDHPE we are learning how to call Triple Zero and exploring each of the emergency services. We are planning a drive around the local community to locate services in our area.

Miss Lucy, Miss Mary and Miss Sharon



Kangaroos

Kangaroos have been very busy in Creative and Visual Arts. The theme this term is animals. So far, they have drawn unique cats, made frogs on lilypads, horses, parrots, fish and lots of miniature portraits of animals. In Geography, we are looking at different types of mountains. Students

have chosen a mountain to research and recreate using modelling clay. We should have some interesting photos to follow.

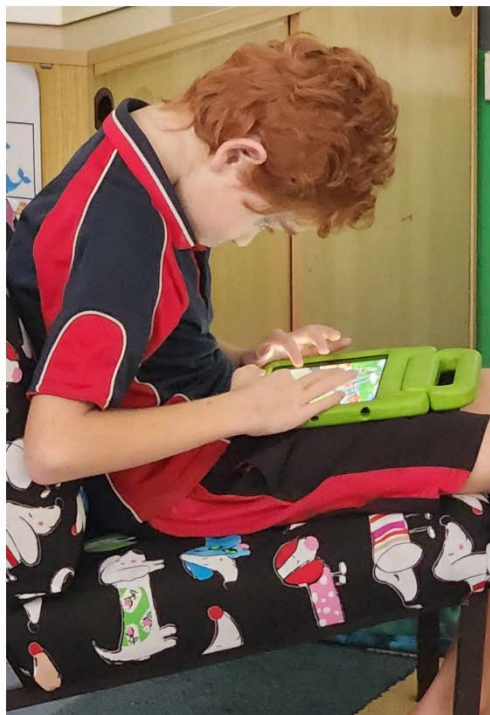
Last week students had to use their knowledge of the metric system and make their own protein balls that I hear were delicious. In science Kangaroos have been

looking at blood and the different types of cells in our body. We are learning some fascinating facts and why it is so important to look after our bodies to keep our immune system in top condition. Kangaroos would love to wish all our families a Happy Easter!

Miss Coralie and Miss Raylee



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Important Dates:

Easter dates
Good Friday 29th March
Easter Monday 1st April

Term 1 ends on Friday 12 April and resumes for students on Tuesday 30th April – Monday 29th April staff development day

End of Term Assembly Thursday 11th April @ 2 pm