

## From the Principal

### NAPLAN

Well done to our Year 3 and Year 5 children who have now completed NAPLAN for 2023. All the exams were online except Year 3 Writing which was been sent off.

### END OF TERM 1 AND BEGINNING OF TERM 2 DATES

The last day of term 1 will be Thursday April 6.

Term 2 will begin for students on Wednesday April 26.

### GYMNASTICS AND ATHLETICS PROGRAM

This is a reminder about the gymnastic and athletics program we wish to offer students next term. We have been trialing a gymnastics and athletics program run by SISA on Monday afternoons after lunch. This has been a great success and we would like all our children to benefit from this wonderful program. We will begin in Term 2 and all children from Kindergarten to Year 6 will join this program. The program will cost \$26 a term per child and will bring many benefits for our children in building their movement and gross motor skills which are fundamental to their growth and development. We have sent a note and a reminder note about this program. Please return the note with payment as soon as possible. Thank you.

### HARMONY DAY

On March 21 our school had Harmony Day when we celebrated the cultural diversity of our school community. On this day we especially promote respect, inclusion, and a sense of belonging for all. It was a wonderful day and I would like to thank the families who visited our school. Family members were able to; take part in class activities, join the whole school special assembly and enjoy a picnic lunch with the children. Thank you to the Harmony Day Team for organising such a harmonious and enjoyable day.



### ELECTION DAY BBQ

Thank you to all of the parents, students and staff who were at our Election Day BBQ last Saturday. This event raises our profile in the community and raises funds for our school. Our volunteers were absolute legends and did an amazing job on the day.

## Year 6 Fund Raising

Year 6 have been organising fun activities as a fund raising drive for the end of year celebrations. We want our Year 6 children to have an amazing end of year and the fund raising they are doing now will help them as they plan for the end of the year.

It was great to see our school turn into "Funky" land during our Funky day.

Another fun activity was chalk drawing day when our children turned the basketball court into a huge art work.

This week we will be having lolly day and next week children will be able to purchase spider drinks. Thank you for supporting our Year 6 students in their efforts.

## P&C NEWS

Congratulations and thank you to the new executive members of the St Marys Public School P&C. The P&C executive for our school are;

President – Lucrecia Perez, Vice President – Sofia Tuuu, Treasurer – Cheryll Francia, Secretary – Sylvia McKenzie, Fund Raising Chair – Morgan Farrar, Executive Member – Kieran Dorizas

## Well Done

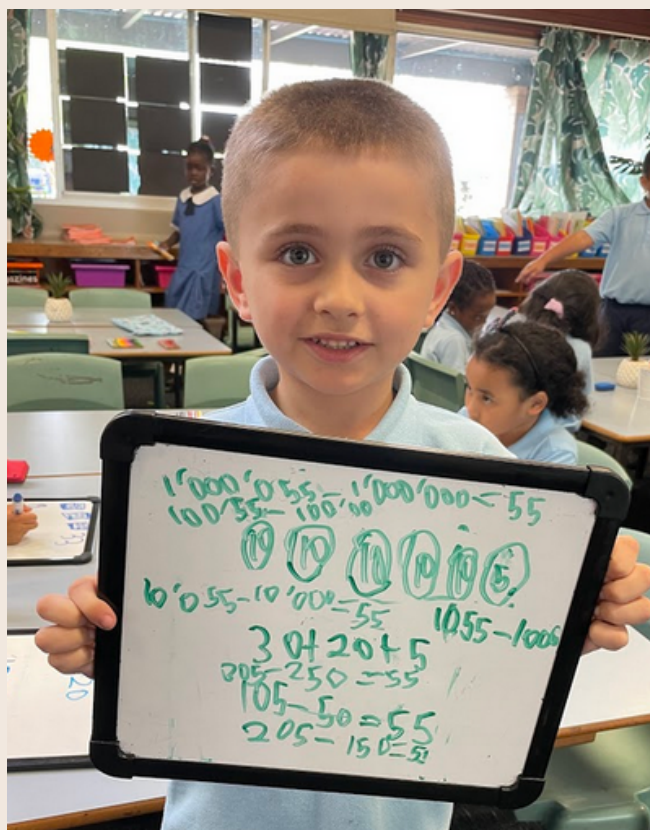
Congratulations and well done to Viliami and Thiago who have made it through the District Basketball Team. Also well done to Thiago, Zac and AJ who made it to the District Rugby League team. Finally, well done to Joshua who has made it through to the District Swimming Championships.

Thank you all for your continued support of our school.

Have a great week.

Robert Linas

Principal





# What's happening in Year 1 and 2?



We took our learning outdoors when the electricity went out. We enjoyed learning our phonics using chalk.



We are exploring new concepts in mathematics lessons.



We investigate ideas through Play Based Learning.



## **Merit Certificates Term 1 Week 8**

K-Barrugin- Silas, Carina  
K-Wumbat -Gianna, Charra  
1/2Garad- Hayden, Samia  
1Djubi- Neriya, Abella  
2Bugari- Grace, Jaxon  
3/4Dingu- Gisele, Cayden  
3/4Gugulug- Isla, Skyla-Eve,  
4/5Bunmurra-Fatuma, Kai  
5/6Malya- Taj, Nate  
5/6Wirriga- Leah and Sofia

## **PBL Term 1 Week 8**

K-Barrugin-Elijah, Amelia-Rose  
K-Wumbat- Georgina, Michael  
1/2Garad- Zaharah, Tate  
1Djubi- Farasat, Emily  
2Bugari-Tiffany, Charlotte  
3/4Dingu- Addison, Braxton  
3/4Gugulug- Anna, Audrija  
4/5Bunmurra-Elizabeth, Logan  
5/6Malya- Phoenix, Olliver  
5/6Wirriga- Allen and Ruby

## **Calendar**

Every Friday- 09am - 10:30am Helping Hands

Tuesday March 28- Fundraising Lolly Bags

Wednesday 29 March- Parent Cafe

Monday April 3- Anzac Assembly

Tuesday April 4 Fundraising Spider Drinks

Tuesday April 4- End of Term Assembly

Wednesday April 5- School Photos

Thursday April 6- Easter Hat Parade  
- Photo preschool, family  
and make up day

Friday April 7- Good Friday/ School holidays

**Wednesday April 26 - Students return for Term 2**

