

YELLAMUNDIE

Darug word for storyteller

Where every child is excited to learn and grow every day.

From the Principal

Dear Families,

Warami (Hello) and welcome to Week 8!

We have had a term packed with learning and wonderful activities. I have the privilege to work with incredible educators as they plan learning activities and excursions to support the learning and growth of every child at St Marys Public School.



Road Safety

As you would be aware, Princess Mary Street is a narrow street with a sharp bend at the school entrance.

When cars park along Princess Mary Street it creates a further hazard to pedestrians and road users. While we understand that children walking to school from the highway side of St Marys would use the pedestrian gate on Princess Mary Street, could anyone driving please use the parking area at the back of the St Marys Village Shopping Centre to drop off and pick up their children. This can be accessed from Carinya Ave and families can enter and leave the school from the green gate that adjoins Lang Park. This provides a much safer area for children to be dropped off and picked up.

We have informed Penrith Council of our concerns and they have advised us that parking rangers will be attending Princess Mary Street more frequently. If you park or stop on this street illegally there is a high probability that you will be fined. Thank you for your understanding as we work together to create a safer school environment.

Meet The Teacher

Thank you to the families who visited the school in Week 4 for our "Meet the Teacher" afternoon. It was wonderful to see so many family members arrive to find out about the year ahead.

Have a wonderful week.

Robert Linas

Principal

UPDATES

Preschool Murrawung	Emu	Mrs Chanana
Preschool Buru	Kangaroo	Mrs Chanana
K Barrugin (KB)	echidna	Mrs Rennie
K Wumbat (KW)	wombat	Mrs Lacaze
1/2 Garad (1/2G)	black cockatoo	Mrs McLister
1/2 Mulgo(1/2M)	black swan	Mrs Nguyen
1/2 Wugan (1/2W)	crow	Miss Campbell
3/4 Dingu (3/4D)	dingo	Miss Bowen
3/4 Gugulug (3/4G)	turtle	Mrs Shahzad
4/5 Bunmurra (4/5B)	blue tongue lizard	Mrs Petterson
5/6 Malya (5/6M)	diamond python	Mrs Cooke
5/6 Wirriga (5/6W)	goanna	Mrs Giles

Support Staff for 2025

Ms Tree- Library + 5/6M

Mrs Embury- APCI (Curriculum instruction)

Ms Rankine- Learning Support (LaST + curriculum Instruction)

Mrs Lee- learning support

Mrs Pfeiffer- learning support

Mrs Piotrowski- learning support

Mrs Ormshaw- learning support + 1/2G

Mrs Jackson- EaLD (supporting students learning English as a language)

Mrs Ventura- sport and support

Admin Staff for 2025

Ms Guy- Business manager

Mrs Jan- School Administrative Manager

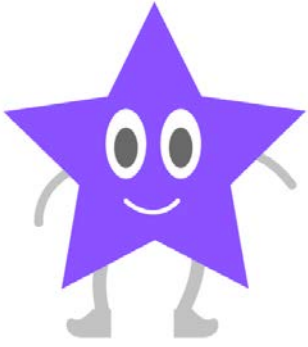
Mrs Sawaszenko- School Administrative Officer

Mrs Kosovich- School Administrative Officer

Mrs Potter- School Administrative Officer

Mrs Slyvia McKenzie- Community Liason Officer

LEARN & GROW WELL



Safe & Sensible

All schools across NSW, are required to update their School Behaviour Plan and align practices with the NSW Care Continuum and Student Behaviour Code.



Taking Pride

Additional information can be found here on the NSW Schools website.

In addition, each school must publish their School Behaviour Plan on their website.



Active Learner

A new initiative at our school for 2025, as a part of Learn and Grow Well and our social skills program, Second Step, is Reflection Room. Here, students will chat with Assistant Principals around behaviour of concern through restorative conversations.

Restorative Conversations involve these broad talking points adjusted to suit the age and suitability of the student.

- What happened from your perspective?
- How were you feeling?
- What were you thinking?
- Who has been affected by what happened, and how?
- What needs to be done to make things as right as possible?



Respectful

WELCOME KINDERGARTEN 2025



Our Kindergarten students have made a successful start to school. A big thank to Mrs Lacaze and Ms Rennie and for all the support staff who have worked tirelessly to make this transition go smoothly.

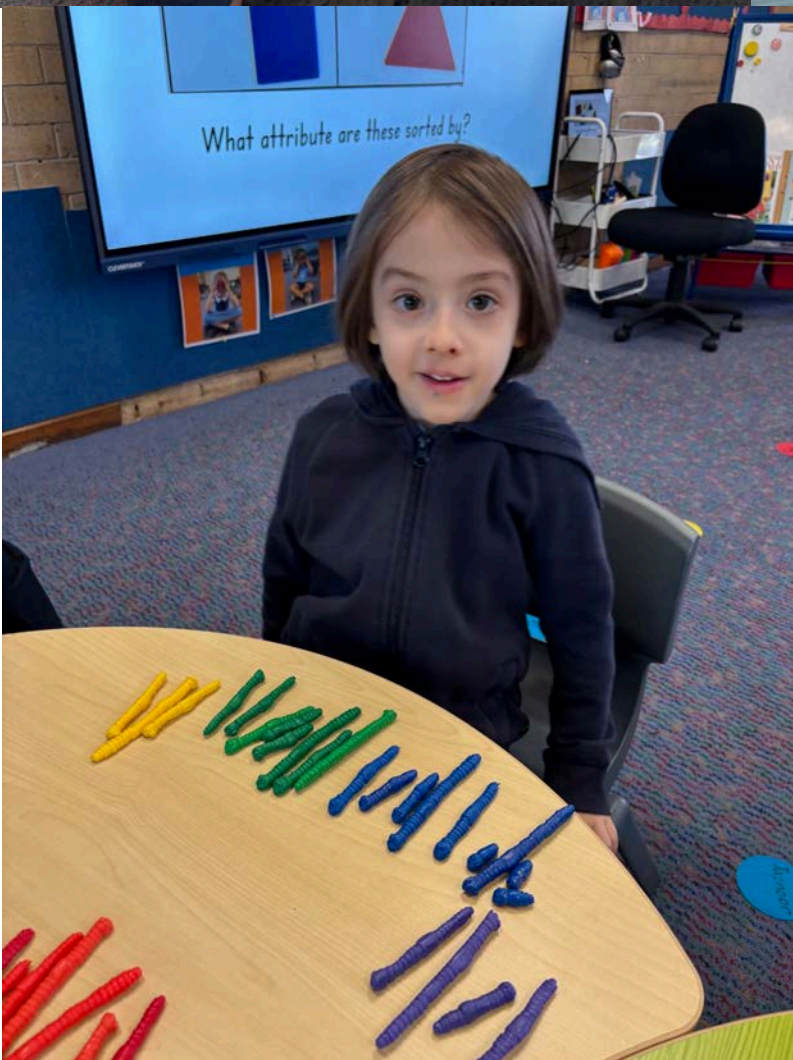
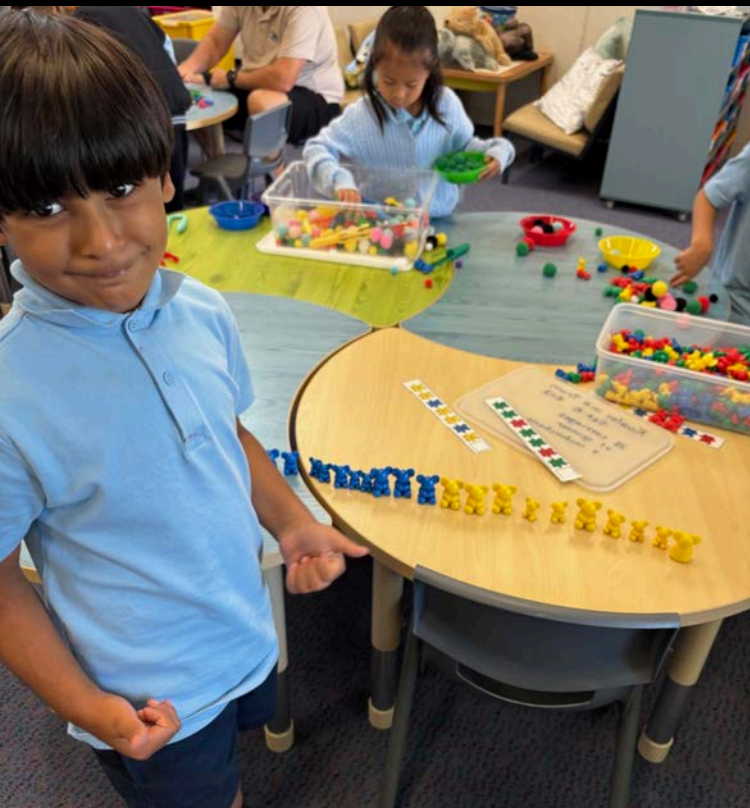
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Kindergarten are ready to start learning to read and will be using our updated Decodable readers in the weeks ahead.



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Kindergarten start each day we Play Based Learning sessions where they can demonstrate their creativity and learn important social skills like sharing.

We are very happy to see so many of them coming to school with a hat, water bottle and healthy food choices every day.

Sport at SMPS



Stage 1 Good Sports Week 5

This year, we are planning lots of fun, active lessons for sport. All classes will head out for an additional hour of sport as well as our Wednesday regular sport times.

Primary classes are involved in an in-school Gala competition. We have planned activities on Wednesday lunches. Our Cross Country Carnival is later this term.

Congratulations to these students who made District teams;-

Touch Footy- Katrina

Rugby League- Azaiah

Netball- Taula and Katrina

Basketball- Azaiah, Katrina, Elizabeth and Arianny