

# ARARAT NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

*~ Resilience ~ Respect ~ Responsibility*

## NEWSLETTER



**Thursday, April 6, 2023**

### A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

As we approach the first term holidays, we can look back on a very successful journey.

The staff and students have been immersed in a wide range of activities and events, and we are thrilled with the success we have experienced. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the ANPS staff on their commitment and dedication to our students. They have gone over and above to provide our students with experiences that are educationally unique and fun! Hats off to the dedication of our School Council. I look forward to working with you in Term 2.

I wish the Staff, students and you and your family the most wonderful holiday. Be safe. Take time to enjoy the moments with your child. They go by too far quickly. On a more emotional note, I am letting you know that I will be moving on at the beginning of Term 3. The house has sold, and I will be moving away from the area. It is hard for me to write this as a huge piece of my heart walks through these doors each and every day. Your child, and our relationship, means the world to me. Please accept my heartfelt thanks for being so welcoming to me the past year and a bit.

I am looking forward to an incredible Term 2 with the wonderful staff at ANPS, the amazing students, and YOU. Please know you are appreciated, valued, and will be missed.

See you on Monday, April 24 as we begin our learning journey together in Term 2.

Smiles,  
Judy Jenkins 😊  
Principal





# FROM OUR CLASSROOMS!



## LEARNING AREA 1

LA1 continued their 'deep dive' into all things Number and Algebra last week, with students continuing their learning about Place Value. Our Foundation students looked at two-digit numbers/tens and ones, whilst the Grade Ones explored three-digit numbers/hundreds, tens and ones, and Grade 2 children revised their understanding of numbers up to 1,000.

LA1's little learners had fun making their target number with a) MAB blocks and b) their iPads, using a website called 'Cool Math 4 Kids'. This website is a great resource and one child can explore various mathematical concepts at home, independently or with an adult.

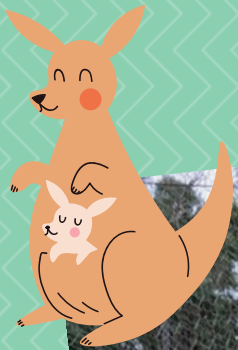


## LEARNING AREA 2



*Enjoying pretending to be joeys at the Ballarat Wildlife Park!*

*Lovely Llamas!*



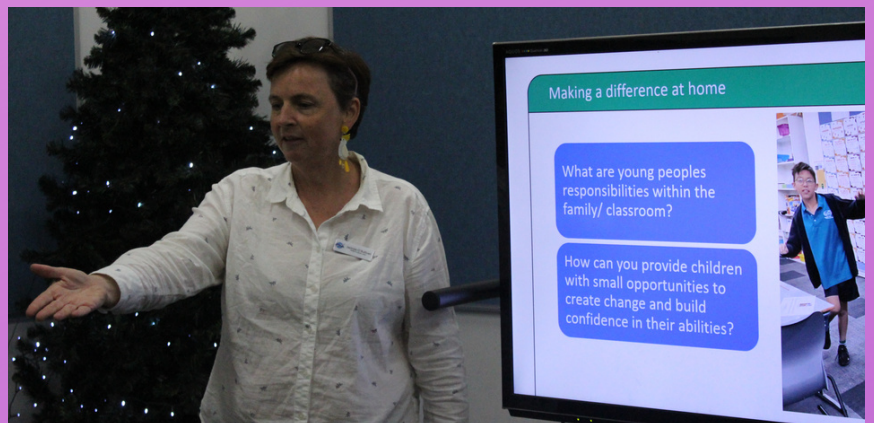
*The kangaroos were all very well fed by the end of the day!*

# LEARNING AREA 3

On Monday, at a packed assembly, students from Learning Area 3 presented their DASH program 'Showcase of Ideas' - projects for positive change that the students they would like to see in the local community. The ideas included Composting (environmental change), a Sensory Garden (peace and calm), Badges (diversity), Music (bullying prevention) and Ride to School (physical activity). Members of the audience voted for their favourite submission and a \$2000 grant will be awarded to support the implementation of one of the projects (announced in Term 2). All Learning Area 3 students received certificates from DASH for their fantastic efforts. Our sincere thanks go to Cindy O'Sullivan who led our DASH work and to all the community and service groups who lent their amazing support.



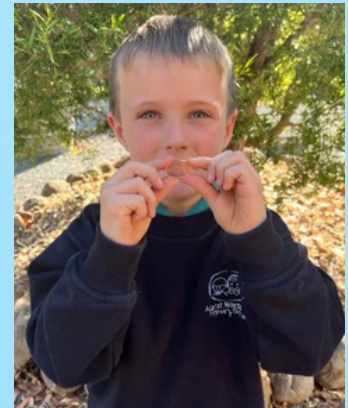
**THANKS CINDY!**



# Awards



Awards are presented at each assembly to acknowledge student achievement in demonstrating our School Values of Resilience, Respect and Responsibility. Some lucky students also receive awards for their efforts in Health and PE. At our assembly on Monday, three students were also selected to receive Principal Awards.

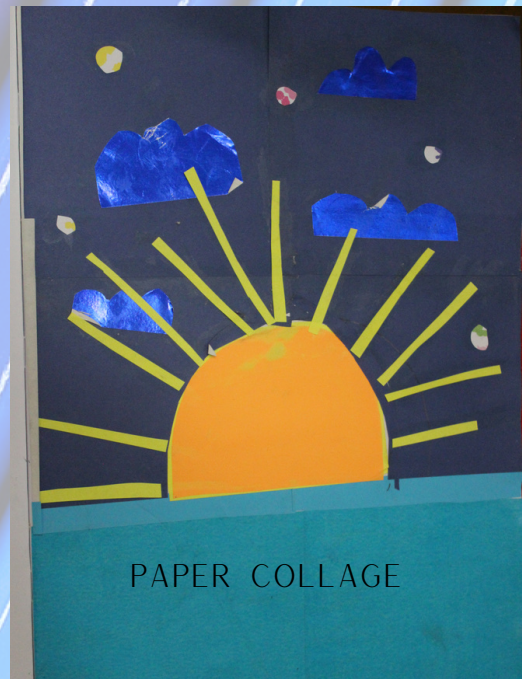


# From the Art Room

A huge *thank you* to everyone who has donated ice-cream containers, pop-sticks, fabric, ribbon, cereal boxes, coffee cups and many other things for our Art Room. These items are a wonderful resource and make an enormous contribution to the activities we can complete in Art. Here are just a few snaps of some great work done this term...



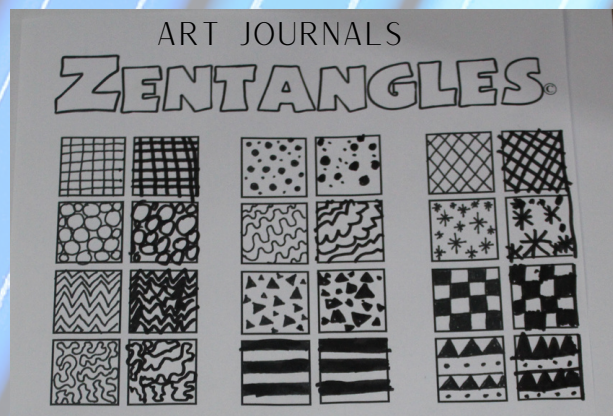
TAPE AND PAINT



PAPER COLLAGE



MEXICAN FOLK ART



COLOUR WHEELS

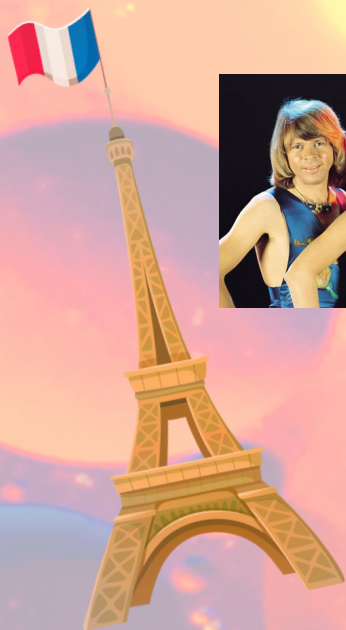
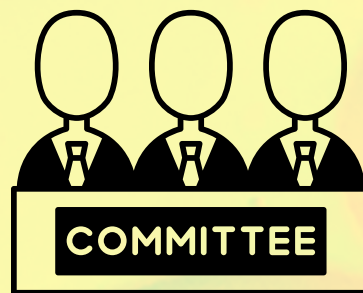


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# Staff Biography

EACH NEWSLETTER WE WILL PUBLISH A SHORT BIO FROM A STAFF MEMBER TO HELP YOU GET TO KNOW US - THIS WEEK WE LEARN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT BARB.



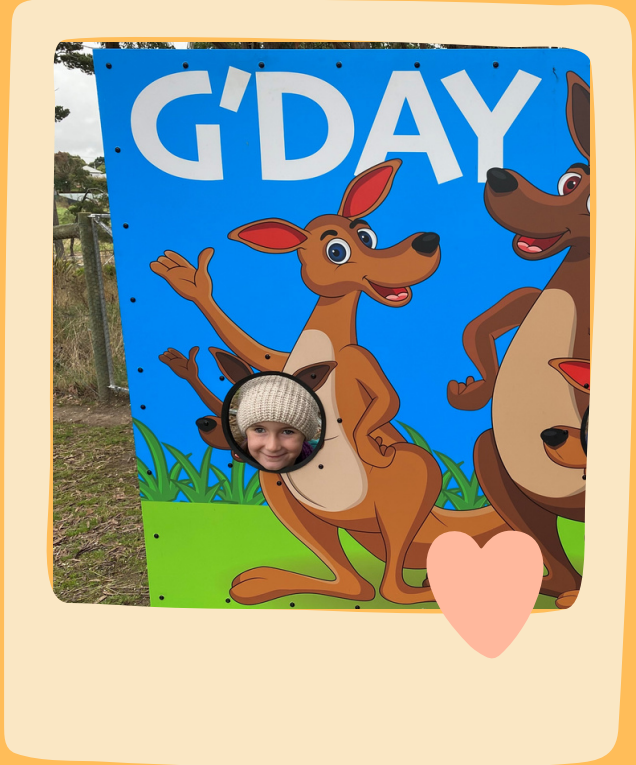
## FUN FACTS ABOUT BARB!



- Age: 21+
- Pets: Two brown labs, Bonnie and Nita
- Favourite Colour: Red
- Favourite Food: Pasta
- All-time favourite music group: Abba
- Best holiday destination: France
- Hobbies: Committees, CWA, art and creativity, growing vegetables, cooking
- Favourite student: "I love them all."



# Photo Album





## *Term 1 Wrap-up from Mr. Johnson*

Term 1 has been very busy and we have achieved so much in such a short period of time in both Science and Physical Education. In Science, students have been learning all about biology. Learning Area 1 has been learning about “What living things look like”. This has included unique body parts, body coverings and how they move. Learning Area 2 have been learning about “What is a living thing”. This has included how animals grow and change, how they get their energy and how they respond to the environment. Learning Area 3 students have been learning about the evolution of Australian animals and why they are unique. All classes have been out watering our veggie garden and some students were lucky enough to discover potatoes buried in the soil! In Physical Education, students have mainly been working on their bike riding skills, however, in Term 2, we will start to focus more on developing our athletics skills. All students will travel by bus to Lake Bolac College to compete against the other schools in athletics on the 11th of May.





**COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**



**CHALAMBAR**  
Golf Club

## Free Come and Try Golf Day

Friday 14th & 21st April

2pm – 3pm Age 7 to 12

3:30pm – 4:30pm Age 12 to 16

All equipment supplied

Register at: [www.golf.org.au/mygolf](http://www.golf.org.au/mygolf)

For more info call: 0419977170



### ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

**FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023**

ARARAT FIRE BRIGADE INVITES ALL CHILDREN AND PARENTS TO ASSIST IN SHAKING OF TINS TO RAISE MONEY BY WALKING AROUND STREETS OF ARARAT

*Registration:* From 8AM at Ararat Fire Station, Tuson Street, Ararat.

*When :* Good Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Children under 12 years must be supervised by a parent.

Morning tea and lunch provided.

Collectors will be transported by buses to each location to begin collection.



**REGISTER NOW**

# Moyston Easter Market

9-2pm Easter Saturday

**April 8, 2023**

**Moyston Oval, Ararat-Halls Gap Rd**

- ▲ Over 50 Market Stalls of local artisan goods, preloved items, and handcrafted gifts.
- ▲ Vintage /Classic Car and Motorbike Display
- ▲ John Vanderwaal Long Kick Competition @11.00am
- ▲ Live Music
- ▲ Community BBQ
- ▲ Country Kitchen Devonshire Tea
- ▲ Coffee Vans
- ▲ Kids' Activities including FREE Easter Egg Trail
- ▲ CFA Firewood Raffle
- ▲ Doggo Refreshment Stations
- ▲ Ample Free Onsite Parking
- Gold coin donation goes towards Moyston Community Improvement

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**Stall bookings and enquiries contact Fiona 0418 366 362**

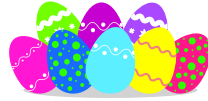
**Email: [moystoneastermarket@gmail.com](mailto:moystoneastermarket@gmail.com)**

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

# Happy Easter

WHAT: SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023 TO SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023



## KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- Friday, April 7 (tomorrow) - Good Friday, NO SCHOOL
- Monday, April 24 - **First Day of Term 2**
- Tuesday, April 25 - ANZAC Day holiday - **NO SCHOOL**
- Tuesday, May 2 - Staff training - Pupil free day - **NO SCHOOL**
- Tuesday, May 9 - Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences
- Wednesday, May 10 - School Council @ 4 p.m.
- Thursday, May 11 - District Athletics Sports at Lake Bolac
- Friday, May 12 - Mother's Day Stall

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Our Newsletter is published every second week. Our next Newsletter date is **Friday, May 5, 2023**. If you would like to **submit something** for our Newsletter (e.g. a community or sports group announcement) please send it to school by **Wednesday, May 3, 2023**.



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We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the first peoples and Traditional Owners and custodians of the land and waterways on which we live. We honour and pay our respects to Elders past and present.