

YOUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL FOR THE FUTURE





### Principal's Message

**School reports** - all school reports have been sent out from school and hopefully these have arrived. There can be issues around the delivery of reports based on the system set up by School Bytes. If you are expecting a report for your child and haven't yet received it, please contact the school so we can investigate the issue.

Release of student reports on Scout for NAPLAN – we now have access to the NAPLAN results of our students, overall school performance and comparison to similar school groups. We will be taking a deep dive into this data and already there are some pleasing performance areas. Next term this will be shared with the P & C, and then our wider community. Scout is the departments app. for the collection of school data.

Rescheduling Open Day / Dance / Band - thank you for your understanding in the decision to postpone our big day. Though the weather bomb didn't reach the peak predicted (perhaps it could be said that it bombed) it was still a cold, wet and miserable day particularly after midday. I am still trying to organise a date with Ezra for next term along with the open classrooms and band performance. Our issue is Ezra and Tai, who ran the sessions for us, are both unavailable. I am hoping for either July 23 or 24 (first week of next term). If we are unable to do this, we may look at doing something similar when we have our book fair.

**Staff Professional Learning Term 3** - Staff will be completing PL on writing and maintaining their CPR / First Aid certification on the first day back next term. As such students return on **Tuesday 22**<sup>nd</sup> **July.** 

**Erkcon** – Congratulations to Stage 3 on their Erkcon extravaganza. I don't think I performed well in any of the bloxel games I attempted, but I was truly impressed with the quality of the games produced and the narratives I read from students accompanying their games.

Athletics Carnival permissions - permission notes for the Athletics Carnival will be going out soon. Please, PLEASE read the instructions on entering events as we would like this to be sorted before the carnival day - if you are unsure whether entry forms have been received, please call us with plenty time beforehand. The day of the carnival is already intense working to get all events done within a limited timeframe. As always, our dates are based on the ground availability and with aforethought to the district carnival schedule. Please note the timing for the running of the 800m event and how times determine progression, not place.

Wishing all students a great break! Next term there is much to look forward to - Open Day, Athletics Carnival, Book Week, Stage 2 Camp and the process will begin for our next school leaders.





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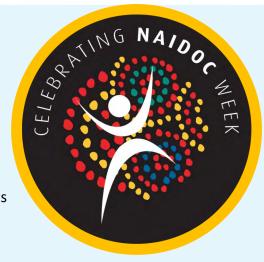
### **NAIDOC DAY**

By Persie and Isla

NAIDOC day is one of the most important days of the year. The smoking ceremony was a nice Acknowledgement of Country. The smoke from the burning eucalyptus leaves cleanses our bodies and connects us to Country.

We got to be with our buddy class most of the day and made bracelets and necklaces, using the colours of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. We also loved making ephemeral art out of natural materials found in our school garden.

Josef's mum taught us about ochre where it comes from, and how it is used, then we were painted with ochre. NAIDOC day was lots of fun, we are so lucky to have Aboriginal Culture alive in our school.



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# Merit Assembly

Week 8



Early Stage 1: Henrik, Jasmin, Harvey, Amber, Jesse & Malcolm



Stage 1: Ellie, Florence, Ada, Jarvis, Oliver, Henry, Anouk, Gigi, Ralf, Lucas & Matilda



Stage 2: Ethan, Rhys, Ashton, Ivy, Freddie, Innes, Rose, Lex & Freya.



Stage 3: Molly, Liam, Anika, Harry, Alexander & Leia.



Student of the Week: Kai



**Recognition Awards: Tomiris and Elen** 



Class of the Week: Viola



# Merit Assembly

### Week 9





Early Stage 1: Eva, Leon, Nathan, Isla, Audrey,
Charlotte.



Stage 1: Mark, William, Zoe, Leila, Ari, Ishanee, Amaya, Meghan, Shaq, Chloe,



Stage 2: Ada, Oscar, Leo, Ivy, Richie, Annabelle, Skyler, Olive & Remi.



Stage 3: Lily, Amber, Elvie, Max, Adele, Molly, Evelina.



Student of the Week: Noah



Recognition Awards:
Anouk and Alexander



Class of the Week: Wollemi





# art with Ms Stein

Stage 1 Mosaic Collage





# P&C NEWS

# SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL TOGETHER

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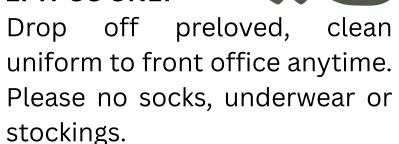


### PRELOVED UNIFORM CO OP

Fri 1 Aug

7:45-9am

**EFTPOS ONLY** 



FRI 1 AUG - UNIFORM CO-OP TUE 12 AUG - CYBER SAFETY WED 13 AUG - P&C MEETING



Join us for the School Holiday Working Bee and help give our school a spruce-up! We'll be tackling jobs like washing walls, minor painting, sorting cleaning, and lost property ready for the next Coop. Many hands make light work, so if you've got a bit of time to spare, we'd love to see you there! Reach out to your class parent for more information.

# CYBER SAFETY SESSION

### **TUE 12 AUG**

For students, parents, and teachers – these sessions are crucial in supporting our kids' safe online habits. Special parent session will be online. A great resource in a tech world!

More details soon!

Being part of the P&C helps **strengthen our school community**, supports vital programs and events, and gives parents a voice in how our school runs. Next P&C meeting Wed 13<sup>th</sup> August.



All parents and carers are invited to join the P&C for only \$2 per year. Becoming a member allows you to raise ideas and vote at meetings—it's the best wa... BECOME A P&C MEMBER – JUST \$2! Join or renew now for 2025/2026:



# Erkowiz Trivia Night

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our ErkoWiz Quiz Night on 21st June - we had just shy of 100 parents in attendance! The quiz was full of laughs, and a few unexpected twists. Massive thanks to Astrid and Daniel for their mammoth effort in pulling it all together, and to DJ Lachie for keeping the vibe alive with the tunes.











Looking ahead, we want to remind our community that P&C events like this can only happen with enough hands on deck. To keep the load fair and the fun flowing, future events will only go ahead if we have enough volunteers to share the work - many hands make light (and more enjoyable!) work.



Get your cameras ready for a fun-filled night of student video magic! Watch this space!







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### **Library News**





### **Book Week**

Looking ahead to next term Book Week is 16-23 August. The Book parade will be held on **Thursday 21**<sup>st</sup> **August** – So save the date! This year's theme is **Book an Adventure** so kids can dress up using this theme or any book character they wish to be. More information will be headed you way in term 3.

### **Inner West Libraries Book Week Drawing & Writing Competitions**

Grades K- 2 Drawing Competition Grades 3 -6 Writing Competition

Closes 31<sup>st</sup> July (entries to Ms Perry for submission)

Winners will be selected from each year group, and winning entries will be published on the Inner West Council website. There are 20 winners for each year group, and all winners will be invited to a special Book Week celebration:

Drawing Competition Awards - Tuesday 19 August, 5pm

Writing Competition Awards - Wednesday 20 August, 5pm

Visit the IWC Book Week Website for entry details and terms & conditions



### Better Read Than Dead - Writing Competition

See website for details

https://www.betterreadkids.com/2025-writing-competition

# OUT OF THIS WORL

KIDS WRITING COMPETITION 2025 ~ ENTRIES CLOSE AUGUST 1ST

YOU'RE INVITED TO WRITE A FANTASTICAL STORY ON THE THEME OF 'OUT OF THIS WORLD' FOR OUR ANNUAL KIDS WRITING ANTHOLOGY!

THINK COSMIC THOUGHTS, BLAST OFF WITH STELLAR WORDS AND BRING US YOUR STORIES OR POEMS FROM THE STARS. WE ARE LOOKING FOR SHORT STORIES NO LONGER THAN 300 WORDS THAT WILL SEND US SOARING INTO THE STRATOSPHERE!

ALL ENTRIES ARE LIMITED TO NSW ONLY AND WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A BETTER READ KIDS WRITING ANTHOLOGY, WITH THE WINNING ENTRY IN EACH AGE CATEGORY (6:9, 10-12 AND 13-17) RECEIVING A \$100 BETTER READ THAN DEAD VOUCHER, AND TWO RUNNERS UP RECEIVING A \$50 VOUCHER.

> FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO ENTER VISIT WWW.BETTERREADKIDS.COM





Better Read Than Dead - Drawing Competition

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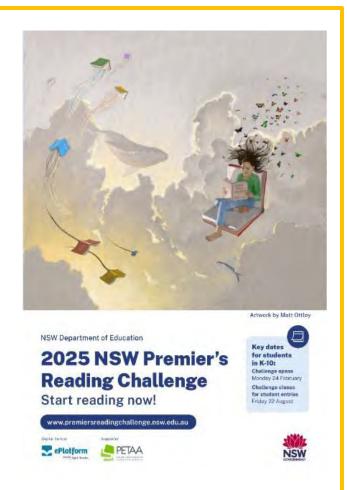
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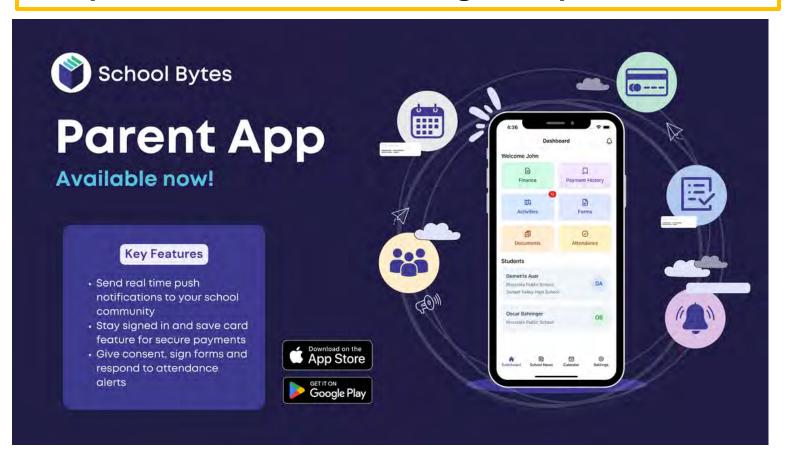
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# Premier's Reading Challenge 2025 K-2 30 books Parents can read to students and log their books for them on the PRC website 3-4 20 books Students read and log their own books on the PRC website 5-6 20 books Students read and log their own books on the PRC website



https://online.education.nsw.gov.au/prc/home.html







# HEROES AND VILLAINS!





Fun & Fast Paced After-School Drama
Transforming Students Into Heroes & Villains)

### ERSKINEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

K-2 : Fridays 3-5pm Year 3-4 : Fridays 3-5pm Year 5-6 : Fridays 3-5pm



Scan the QR CODE to Check the Website & Sign Up







To Register, Go to www.redroar.com.au, Click on the Big Red 'Register Online Today' Button, Fill in the Form & Sendl Check Out Our History & All Our Testimonials on the Website Too! All Enquiries to director@redroar.com.au

### The Green Team

Where: Meet at the Garden shed When: Tuesday 2nd half of lunch

Who can come? Years 2 - 6 OR younger students with a buddy.





### BEHAVIOURAL FAMILY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

A group program for parents/carers teaches raising 5–12 year-old children with problem behaviours.

This six-week group program is a Behavioural Family Intervention Program for parents/carers that aims to reduce problem behaviours by focusing on:

- Improving parent-child relationships through the use of play and other positive activities;
- Effectiveness of praise & rewards when reinforcing appropriate behaviour;
- Effectiveness of instructions when setting necessary limits on behaviour;
- Use of preventative strategies that limit the causes of misbehaviour;
- Consistency and type of responses to misbehaviour.

**Who:** For parents/carers of 5-12 year-old children (children DO NOT attend the program).

**What:** 6 x 2-hour weekly group sessions. Attendance at all 6 sessions is required.

**When:** 9:30am – 11:30am from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

**Location:** In person, Level 8 Mathews Building UNSW.

**Total Cost:** \$100 full fee; \$50 for concession card holders for all sessions. **Facilitated by:** Provisional Psychologists under the supervision of Clinical Psychologists.

Families are able to self-refer to this program. To register, please contact the UNSW Psychology Clinic on (02) 9385 3042 or send an enquiry via our website: <a href="www.unsw.edu.au/science/psychology-clinic/contact-us">www.unsw.edu.au/science/psychology-clinic/contact-us</a>. Once your enquiry is received, an Intake Officer will contact you to complete a brief intake assessment over the phone to determine the suitability for your current needs.

Enquiries Tel: (02) 9385 3042 | Website: <a href="https://www.unsw.edu.au/science/psychology-clinic">www.unsw.edu.au/science/psychology-clinic</a>

CODING **FOR KIDS** 





### Term 3, 2025 • Y2 - Y6 Students

Year 2 to Year 6 students are welcome to join. STEM focused programs - students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills by learning to code.

### **Erskineville Public School**

In-person coding classes

### **Every Monday**

28 July - 22 Sept | 9 weeks

\$252 per student per term Laptops are provided

### **CREATIVE CODING**

Monday | 3:00 - 4:15 pm Y2 - Y4 students

### **GAME DEVELOPMENT**

Monday | 4:30 - 5:30 pm Y4 - Y6 students

### ENROL NOW code4fun.com.au/eps

If you have any questions email us at info@code4fun.com.au or call 0452 525 453 Learn more at www.code4fun.com.au



### **ENGAGING AFTER SCHOOL WORKSHOPS** Term Three

Kids learn best through activities that engage their curiosity and creativity. BRICKS 4 KIDZ® After School Programs build on the universal popularity of **LEGO®** Bricks to deliver a high quality of educational play. Each hour-long workshop is a fun, enriching experience for your child!

### **IMAGINE - CREATE - INSPIRE**

- \* Wed 30 July Wed 17 Sept (inclusive)
- \* Classes held at Erskineville Public
- \* 8 sessions, \$200
- \* 3.00pm 4.00pm

Come and join in all the fun of our **BRICKS 4 KIDZ After School LEGO®** club!

### **CLICK HERE TO BOOK NOW!**

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SKM cube



AGES: 1.5 - 6 year olds

CONTACT: Joe Hughes 0455 494 409/ joe@readysteadygokids.com.au



# mandarin stars

fun mandarin for kids

Australia's original & leading immersion-based Mandarin Language Classes



## FUN After-school Mandarin Classes at Erskineville Public School!

Wednesdays, 3pm to 4pm:

**SuperSTARS class for Kindy – Year 6** 

### **The Mandarin Stars Program offers:**

- An engaging program that will inspire a love for learning Chinese.
- An immersion-based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills in Mandarin.
- Language building activities such as role play, puppet shows, music, movement, songs, rhymes, games and the celebration of Chinese festivals and culture!
- Small group sizes and a high teacher to students ratio to ensure individual attention.

To enrol, please contact <a href="mailto:nsw@mandarinstars.com.au">nsw@mandarinstars.com.au</a>



# Why Chess?

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Improve Student Focus
- Achieve Academic Success









### **Educational Benefits:**

- · Improves concentration and focus
- Develops logical thinking and problem solving skills
- Enhances memory
- Encourages creative and lateral thinking
- · Promotes discipline
- Accelerates emotional development
- · Expands visualisation and spatial awareness
- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- · Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- · Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

### Erskineville Public School Chess Classes, 2025 Thursdays 8:00AM - 9:00AM in the Brown Hall

Term 1	Cost: \$162	13th Feb - 10th Apr
Term 2	Cost: \$180	1st May - 3rd Jul
Term 3	Cost: \$180	24th Jul - 25th Sep
Term 4	Cost: \$180	16th Oct - 18th Dec

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment

Enter the code **TZ6UXER4Y5** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

\*There are no credits or refunds for missed classes, clashing activities, sickness, school excursions, staff development days, teacher strikes or change of mind. Any missed classes can be made up at one of our online chess classes. Please visit https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online for more information. Payment must be made the day before attending the first lesson of the commencing term. The participant will not be allowed to join the class until payment has been received. Joining midway through the term is welcome. Use the payment code above and follow the online instructions.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices exclude delivery)  To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment			
Workbook 1 – Cost: \$25 [For Beginner/Rookie Players] Workbook 2 – Cost: \$25 [For Intermediate Players]	Workbook 1 & 2 – Cost: \$40 [SPECIAL OFFER]	Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$33 [For Advanced Players]	
Chess Set & Roll-up Board – Cost: \$25 [Recommended for All Ages]	Chess Clock DGT1002 Bonus – Cost: \$55 [Recommended for All Ages]	DGT Starter Box (Fold-up Chess Set + DGT Bonus) – Cost: \$85 [Recommended for All Ages]	

Pay for four terms in advance and receive a free chess set or workbook 2. Offer expires 31st March, 2025.



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