

# NEWSLETTER

**Term: 3 Week: 8**

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the week 8 newsletter.

There will be a newsletter arriving home each fortnight with information and photos of the learning taking place during that time.

## Staffing News:

We have a new teacher who will be with us for the rest of this term. Her name is Ingrid Condon. Ingrid is teaching NIT subjects such as PE, Health and HASS as well as helping with English and Maths in the Secondary Class. Please say hello and introduce yourselves if you see her around town.

- Russell will be away for the rest of the term
- Scott will be working 2 weeks on and 2 weeks off for the rest of the year



Ingrid would like to congratulate Samara on her lovely art work!



## ***Important Dates Week 8 (11<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> September):***

- Governing Council – Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm

## ***Important Dates Week 10 (25<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> September):***

- Sports Day – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>
- End of term with school closing at 2pm – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>



The secondary class were lucky to travel on three excursions this term. They were linked to Work Studies, Science, Geography, Maths & English.

We visited The Bubbler Mound Springs and stayed at Coward Springs. Maree students joined us at the camp and in the activities of the field trip.

The following week we camped one night in Coober Pedy and joined the Coober Pedy students for a tour of Peculiar Knob Mine site.

## Secondary Class Excursions

Term 3



We checked the Mound Springs to see if there is a variety of insects living in them. Our samples were sent to Melbourne to be tested in a laboratory.





Bon Bon Station introduced the students to environmental knowledge and skills of looking after station country that no longer carries cattle or sheep.

The activities included:

Tracks & Scats, erosion control, feral animals, weeds, plant propagation,

trail cameras, plant

identification and bush

cooking & art.

We met a range of people from the station managers

(Bush Heritage) an

ecologist, local traditional owner and owners/managers of a Bush Cooking small business.

Students presented their

learning to the staff on Friday morning before returning to Oodnadatta.

Since their return they have identified some small outbreak of Buffel Grass around the

Oodnadatta streets! This is a weed that has created a terrible impact upon the APY lands, where many native grasses no longer grow because Buffel Grass takes over. We really need to remove this weed from Oodnadatta before it takes over here too.

Thank you for a fabulous three weeks of outdoor learning.





WE HAVE BEEN READING EVERYDAY  
AND PRACTICING OUR WRITING  
SKILLS  
WE HAVE ALSO BEEN DOING SOME  
ROLE PLAY AND CHARACTER  
PROFILES

## JP/PRIMARY LEARNING



WE HAVE BEEN  
RESEARCHING ANTS  
AND BIODIVERSITY.  
WE CREATED  
MICROSCOPES  
TO USE IN SCIENCE.



WE HAVE BEEN  
LEARNING ALL ABOUT  
NUMBERS, PRACTICING  
COUNTING AND  
SOLVING EQUATIONS.



WE GOT AN ANT FARM! WE HAVE BEEN  
WATCHING THEIR GROWTH  
AND CHANGE DAILY.

