



Repton Public School

Newsletter – Term 1 Week 9

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Principal's Message

Weather: What a week! The conditions have certainly been sent to try us. The wind, rain and flood waters meant that our staff could not make it to school and we could not get casual replacements. Thanks to Mrs Buckley, and Mrs Jenkinson we were able to keep supervision available for a few families. We thank those of you who went above and beyond to help us by leaving work, seeking support from friends and neighbours and provide emergency care for our students. Our attendance policy requires a note to say your child was absent on flood days due to flooding. If you could assist us by providing these notes, that would be very helpful.

Celebrating Diversity: Today we celebrate World Down Syndrome Day with students encouraged to wear silly socks and bring a gold coin donation. Digby shared a story with all the students about his extra chromosome.

Learning: This week Mrs Lemmes has introduced letters h and f and tricky words 'he' and 'me'. Mrs Glyde's literacy group are learning the "sh" grapheme and phoneme. Mrs Buckley has continued work on persuasive writing with the focus on developing strong opinions and providing examples to back them up. Mr Stanley's literacy group have been focusing on describing the setting of their narratives.

Behaviour Expectations: We want every child to feel happy, safe and enthusiastic about coming to school. Our staff provide every student the time and care to achieve this and create engaging and thoughtful learning experiences to try and support every child. We expect all students to come to school ready to learn. We expect respectful, responsible and resilient behaviours in the classroom, playground and community. I hope our students feel the support that is provided to excel in everything they do and continue to love learning, even when it means they need to work hard. Together we can achieve anything.

Thanks
Mrs Kristy Glyde,
Principal

REPTON 2021

MARCH

25rd Netball Gala- CANCELLED

26th School Cross Country

APRIL

1st Easter Hat Parade
Easter Raffle Drawn
Last Day Term 1

2nd Good Friday
2nd-19th Share our Space
19th Staff Development Day

20th Students Return for
Term 2

23rd District Cross Country
30th Leadership Day Yr6

MAY

4TH Hockey Gala Day

Thought of the Week

We will continue to support our families in times of need.

CROSS COUNTRY

will be held at 1pm this Friday 26th March. Student need to wear house colours and may require a change of shoes at the completion of the course.

K/1



K/1 were doing addition and subtraction problems during maths when they decided to make something with their counters. Very creative thinking!

2/3/4



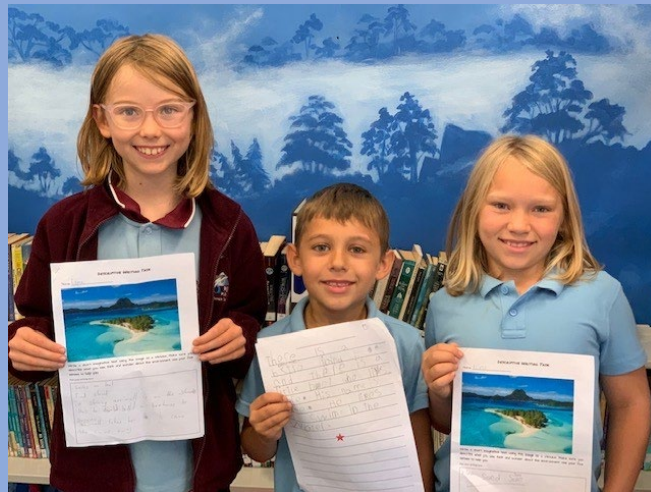
Mrs Buckley took the opportunity to share a trick or two during the wet weather. Do you know how to do the 9 times on your two hands? Ask Ollie to tell you!

5/6



5/6 were happy to relax on the ottomans for some quiet time. Lucky there were many books to choose from in the library!

Writers of the Week



Creative Arts

2/3/4 have continued creating their abstract portrait art inspired by Sandra Silberweig. Many students are just about complete with minor touching up before adding borders for display. They are certainly a statement and have been so much fun to create!

CAPA



We had a lovely gardening lesson before the rain came down. First, we learned about seasonal planting and we made "Sow what when" charts relevant to our climate. We then planted the seed punnets you have been sending in.



The Emus learnt all about rhythmic notation this week. Not only do notes sound different, but each note can be played for different lengths of time. This creates the rhythm in our music. We had lots of fun playing 'ZAP' - a game that requires knowledge of rhythmic notation. Well done, Emus!



Kookaburras enjoyed a new cook in the kitchen this week. They had so much fun making bread which they wrapped in banana leaves and baked in the oven. They also created a delicious corn salsa.

BIG VEGGIE CRUNCH:



WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY!

On this day, people with **Down syndrome** and those who live and work with them throughout the world organise and participate in activities and events to raise public awareness and create a single global voice advocating for the rights, inclusion and well being of people with **Down syndrome**. Students wore fun socks that we all noticed and made a gold coin donation.



STEWART HOUSE - Donation Drive 2021

Don't forget to send in your Stewart House envelope with a \$2.00 coin to school by 14th May 2021 for you to get in the draw to win a \$4,000 holiday/gift voucher



MUSIC TUITION

We have 2 music tutors coming to the school to give any students interested private tuition.

Bridget Bolliger has flute, voice or piano lessons on a Tuesday at the school. Phone 0407420817 for more information.

Josh McGovern has guitar, bass or drum lessons on a Thursday at the school. Phone 0431088761 for more information.

Easter Raffle

Easter is just around the corner! As is our yearly tradition, we will be holding an Easter raffle to raise funds to support programs at Repton Public School. To make this raffle a success, we are requesting donations of Easter eggs or other Easter related gifts to help with our Easter raffles. All donations can be left at the front office. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 1st April.

Raffle tickets are also on sale.



Easter hat parade

We encourage students to decorate their own Easter hat to parade in the morning. We usually have 100% participation and look forward to welcoming visitors back into school to watch.

Please remember to follow COVID safe practices and sign in when you enter the school - QR code available on the office door.



Did you know there is a private Facebook group Repton Public School P and C? This is a closed group for parents, carers and teachers of children at Repton Public School. Members of the group must have a child currently at the school. The site is intended for sharing news and events happening at the school into your news feed while remaining private!

CANTEEN this Friday 26th March
**Place your order on a paper bag with, name,
order and money.**

**Volunteers are desperately needed for canteen duty any Friday, lunch and/or recess.
Please, please, please, get in touch with Toni 0412630457**



NAPLAN 2021 – Practice Tests

In preparation for NAPLAN Online 2021 students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in practice tests on Thursday 25th March.

The online practice tests include an omnibus test (combination of reading, conventions of language and numeracy questions) for Years 3 and 5 as well as a writing test for Year 5.

Practice testing provides students with an opportunity to become familiar with the types of questions they will experience in NAPLAN Online as well as the functionality and tools within the NAPLAN Online browser.

The official 2021 NAPLAN Online test window runs from the 11th to 21st May 2021 (Term 2, Weeks 4 & 5). More information, including a test timetable, will be provided to students in Years 3 and 5 early in Term 2.

“Share Our Space these holidays! Our grounds are open to the public. Come and enjoy.



Share our Space!

School playgrounds, basketball courts, ovals and gardens are open to the community these school holidays. Come and play at our place!

Find a school near you. Search “Share Our Space” at education.nsw.gov.au



Don't forget coming up in a few weeks is the

BELLINGEN SHOW

MAY 8 & 9

**AT BELLINGEN
SHOWGROUND**

- COLOURING IN COMPETITION
- PAVILION ENTERIES
- CHILDREN'S PASSPORT
- MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT IN THE TENT
- FACE PAINTING
- ROCK CLIMBING
- HORSE AND CATTLE EVENTS
- GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE BULL
- SIDESHOW ALLEY, RIDES AND FOOD
- MONGREL DOG SHOW
- FOOD EVERYWHERE
- WOOD CHOP