



# Repton Public School

Newsletter – Term 2 Week 6

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## Principal's Message

Sorry day: Today we remember and commemorate the mistreatment of Aboriginal People with National Sorry Day. We would like to acknowledge the Gumbaynggirr people as the traditional custodians of the land where we teach, learn and grow each day. We would like to pay our respects to Elders past and present and value the contributions of our students here today.

Participation: Active participation allows our students to experience opportunities across a range of areas and build their understanding with new experiences. We are focused on increasing our students' confidence in attempting new skills and activities to build resilience and reduce anxiety. We provide a supportive and understanding attitude that recognises the strength involved in overcoming these anxieties. Sometimes, it is overwhelming and that's ok, but we are here to give them confidence to try.

Student Voice: Research shows student voice has the potential to benefit students, schools and the broader community. The benefits of listening to and acting on student voice include increasing student's engagement in learning, encouraging collaboration between students and their teachers, creating and maintaining a positive environment and culture, building respectful relationships, connections and belonging and developing personal and social capabilities. We are using our student voice to ensure we are making the best possible decisions for our students.

Respectful behaviour: It was lovely to witness our students out in the community representing our school values. We encourage full uniform daily and when we are out and about it is particularly noticeable how much we take pride in our appearance. I also appreciate how our students can respect the space they are in and encourage all to be vulnerable and take risks to talk to presenters and answer questions. Well done.

Thanks for your support,  
Mrs Kristy Glyde,  
Principal

**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**  
**MYLESTOM OVAL – FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 9am-2:50pm**  
Covid safety plan for parents & spectators  
There will be a Sign on Register at the desk

## REPTON 2021

### JUNE

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Athletics Carnival – School
- 4<sup>th</sup> Athletics Carnival – Mylestom Oval
- 9<sup>th</sup> Reader Writer Festival
- 10<sup>th</sup> Small Schools Athletics Carnival
- 14<sup>th</sup> Queen's Birthday P/H
- 15<sup>th</sup> Student Reports home
- 25<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 2

### JULY

- 12<sup>th</sup> Staff Development Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> Term 3 – Students Return

### AUGUST

- 7<sup>th</sup> Bunnings BBQ – P&C
- 20<sup>th</sup> Wake Up & Read On-Incursion

### SEPTEMBER

- 15<sup>TH</sup> "The River" Musical Production
- 17<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 3

### OCTOBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> Labour Day Holiday
- 5<sup>th</sup> World Teachers Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> Students return Term 4

### NOVEMBER

- 8<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Swimming Scheme
- 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Canberra Excursion Years 4/5/6

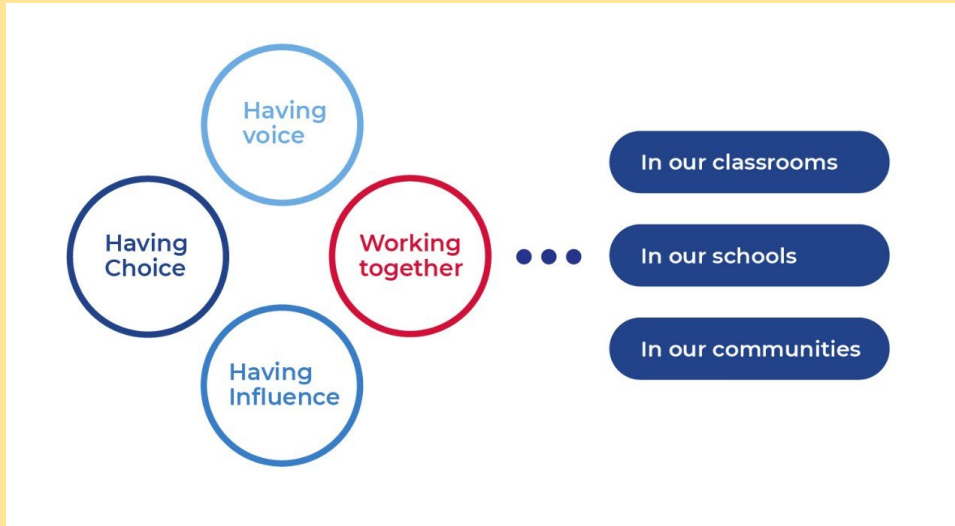
### DECEMBER

- 16<sup>th</sup> End Term 4 for students

## Thought of the Week

The more active participation we achieve, the more accurate and relevant decision making can be.

# Student Voice



## K/1



K/1 had a lovely time at the Coffs Harbour Botanical Garden. For many it was their very first excursion and outing on a bus! We had a lovely walk through the park noticing different plants and listening to the different bird sounds. Well done K/1!

## 2/3/4



2/3/4 had a wonderful time at the Coffs Harbour Botanical Gardens on Tuesday. They spent the morning exploring and learning with their friends. Back in the classroom they enjoyed the opportunity to be botanists, by recording their favourite plant feature, through a memory drawing. Well done 2/3/4!

## 5/6



5/6 learnt about what it means to be a botanist in their Botanical Gardens excursion. We had a close look and feel of several banksia species, noting the minor differences in leaves, seeds and flowers. What a fabulous place to visit, observe and learn about our natural world. Well done 5/6!



**Student of the week**



K/1 Bowie, Chloe & Leo



2/3/4 Kale & Azalia



5/6 Ryder & Eedie



Classiest Class Award K/1



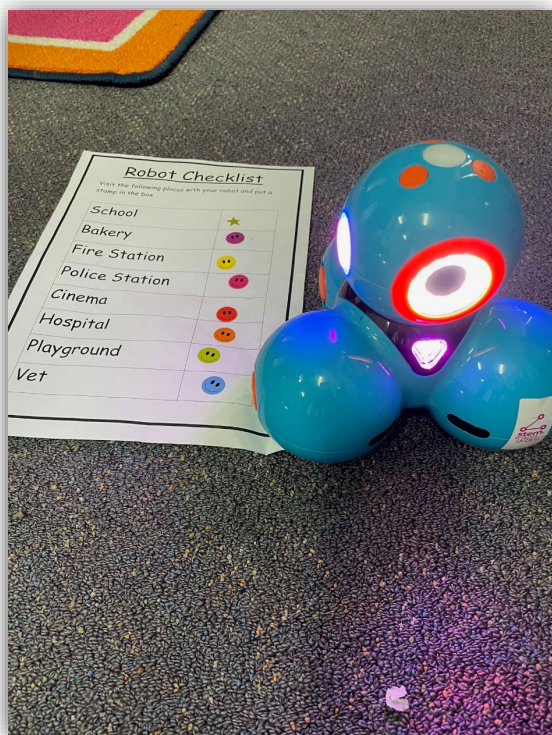
Awards back – Harlen, Alisha & Riley  
Front – Sofia, Indi & Ollie



Win Bin Awards – Jai, Molly & Jose



**Stem:** K1 and 2/3/4 students took their robots on an adventure to visit a range of places around the library. They were not allowed to use their hands just the ipads and robots. Great job navigating!



## CAPA



### Garden:

Students enjoyed doing some botanical illustrations in preparation for our excursion to the Coffs Botanical Gardens. We learned about why botanical drawings were so important in the olden days. After that we spent some lovely time weeding and watering in the sun.



### Music:

ICHI, NI, SO RE!! One, two, let's go! So started our Japanese Taiko drumming lesson in music. Big drums, little drums, bells and shouts were all part of the fun this week in music. Excellent counting and focusing Platypuses!



### Kitchen:

One of the best parts of the kitchen rotation is the tasting! This week the pumpkin tart was just so delicious that all students were asking for the recipe so they can create it at home. Well done, Emus, you did an amazing job and were exceptionally responsible!



# CANTEEN will be available this week

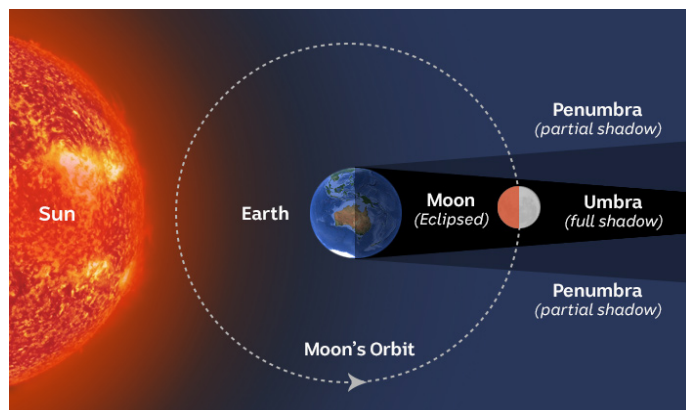
Volunteers are desperately needed for canteen duty any Friday, lunch and/or recess.  
Please, please, please, get in touch with Toni 0412630457

## School Performance Tours - Circular Circus



## TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE TONIGHT!

Time	Phase	Event
6:47 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Penumbral Eclipse begins</b> The Earth's penumbra start touching the Moon's face.
7:44 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Partial Eclipse begins</b> Partial moon eclipse starts - moon is getting red.
9:11 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Total Eclipse begins</b> Total moon eclipse starts - completely red moon.
9:18 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Maximum Eclipse</b> Moon is closest to the center of the shadow.
9:25 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Total Eclipse ends</b> Total moon eclipse ends.
10:52 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Partial Eclipse ends</b> Partial moon eclipse ends.
11:49 pm Wed, 26 May		<b>Penumbral Eclipse ends</b> The Earth's penumbra ends.



Don't miss out on the Total Lunar Eclipse tonight! The table to the left gives you an indication of the time of each phase of the special event. The image on the right (thanks ABC) shows the alignment of the sun, Earth and moon during the event. Get your cameras ready and cross your fingers for clear skies!



# Botanical Gardens Visit





## Week 6 of Term – 24 May

### Keep it fresh!

When you and your kids are packing lunch, think about how to keep it fresh until lunchtime. There are lots of easy, waste-free storage options around including ice packs, bento boxes, flasks, bees wax wraps for sandwiches etc.

Using up leftovers for lunch can also be a great way to avoid food waste and very popular with kids – great examples from the Healthy Kids Association can be found [here](#)!

Good lunchbox options have been reviewed by the Healthy Kids Association [here](#).

### Top tips for getting the kids involved!

**Snack box/bowl** - at the start of the week, put a variety of healthy packet snacks into a box/bowl and the children choose 1 item for their lunchbox each day. Your child gets to choose, but you are in control of how many and what they can choose from. Some good options are popcorn, rice wheels, potato straws and muesli bars.

**Crunch sticks** - at the start of the week, cut up thick vegie sticks and store in containers in the fridge. Your child can easily add these to their lunchbox each morning. Kids love munching on these - capsicum, beans, cucumber, carrot and cherry tomatoes.

**A helping hand** – for younger kids, it can help to prepare the ingredients and lay them out on chopping board. Then your child can choose from what's on offer and assemble their wrap/sandwich to their liking.

**Weekend baking** - schedule in some time together on the weekend to bake some fruit muffins (whatever is in season) for the week ahead. Watch how proud your child will be packing these into their lunchbox!

**Seasonal fruit snacking** – chat with your child about what fruit is in season and find out their favourites. Make sure these are always on hand during the season and the kids will keep going back for more! Fruit and veg is cheaper and tastier when in season too!

### P&C RAFFLE

Roll up, roll up and get your tickets now!

The Repton P&C are holding their annual Rebel sport raffle to raise money for a multi-purpose sports wall. Our lucky children will be able to enjoy an even wider range of sporting activities during their day. Prizes include: oil slick scooter, footballs, Zoingo Boingo pogos, darts board and snorkelling equipment to name a few. Tickets are \$1 , prizes will be drawn Wednesday 16th June week 9 (if you would like more tickets, they are available from the office).

Tickets attached.



**Bellingen Shire Council have a new Community Directory available by visiting**  
[www.mycommunitydirectory.com.au/nsw/bellingen](http://www.mycommunitydirectory.com.au/nsw/bellingen)  
**The directory can be downloaded to print and is available as an App by texting BELLINGEN to 0488 884 151**  
**It is a one-stop-shop for community information, can be used to promote events and recruit volunteers.**  
**Its a great resource for community members and visitors who would like to know what is happening locally.**  
**There is NO COST for groups and services to list in the directory.**  
**This can be done in 3 ways:-**  
**1) Visit the directory and click 'List for Free' at the top of the home page**  
**2) Call the support team on 1300 762 515**  
**3) Email the support team on [support@mycommunitydirectory.com.au](mailto:support@mycommunitydirectory.com.au)**

**Connecting Your Community**


**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ANNA JOY ON 66557378**  
[www.mycommunitydirectory.com.au/nsw/bellingen](http://www.mycommunitydirectory.com.au/nsw/bellingen)


## BEGINNER GROUP CELLO LESSONS

A fun and affordable introduction to music learning on one of the world's most beautiful instruments

*Music is a more potent instrument for education than any other ~ Plato*

\$18 per lesson  
 Tuesday afternoons from 5 & 5:30  
 Ages 7-10  
 30 minute lessons  
 Free cello hire for the first term







**INVITATION TO ENTER STUDENT ART COMPETITION FOR THE OCEAN**

Primary and high school students are invited to participate in the 2021 'Litterarty' Waste-Art competition to win prizes and a chance to exhibit at the annual Volvo Ocean Lovers Festival, set to be staged at Bondi Beach from November 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> this year.

Works can be entered for free from Early Stage/ Stage 1 to Stage 6 categories in mediums including sculpture, 2D, assemblage, mixed media and collage using litter saved from entering the ocean. Free entry opens from Term 2, 2021, with concepts and digital online submissions due by the end of Term 3.

Selected entries will be invited to submit physical works for exhibition in Term 4 by October 29<sup>th</sup>. A judging panel including award-winning environmental artists Marina Debris and John Dahlsen will judge finalists works to be exhibited in Bondi for the Volvo Ocean Lovers Festival of Ideas, Art + Music and Actions for the ocean.

Go to <https://www.oceanloversfestival.com/litterarty> to fill in the easy entry form and view competition guidelines plus an [online exhibit of past finalists and winners](#). Register your interest to have your class attend free ocean science workshops at the festival and receive educational materials about ocean literacy and waste impacts from the Australian National Maritime Museum. Email request to [hello@oceanloversfestival.com](mailto:hello@oceanloversfestival.com).

The Bondi Volvo Ocean Lovers Festival is supported by Waverley Council and schools will be able to showcase their environmental credentials, get teaching resources, win prizes and involve students in excursions to the festival where they can use underwater drones, join tailored age-appropriate workshop modules, view artworks and a science installation created by Volvo and the Sydney Institute of Marine Science at the famous Bondi Icebergs Pool.

Find out more about the Ocean Lovers Festival here: [www.oceanloversfestival.com](http://www.oceanloversfestival.com)

