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Repton Public School

Newsletter – Term 3 Week 2

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Principal's Message

COVID updates: I want to give you an overview of how we are continuing to ensure our school remains COVID-safe throughout this term. As we continue to prioritise student and staff wellbeing while at school, our layered COVID-smart measures will give our learners a consistent and productive learning environment this term. Please see baseline measures outlined in this newsletter below.

NAIDOC Celebrations: I would like to thank Miss Aleisha Alford for a great job organising her first NAIDOC day at Repton Public School. We welcomed families to join our celebration including lunch with Kristian Benton from Yidaki Vibes Didgeridoos, and thanks to Bellingen High School staff and students for their dance performance and workshop. We made Jonny Cakes (Thanks Mick), weaving sticks, and engaged in interpretive dancing. We all contributed to our combined artwork and backdrop painting which will be finished with classes this term. It looks wonderful and we can't wait to have it hung in our playground.

Social Media: New permission to publish notes have gone home and we wish for them all to be returned ASAP so we can build our social media profile once again. If you wish to call the office for further information, please call 66554201. Thanks to those who already returned theirs.

Education Week: Next week is Education Week and the theme is Creating Futures. We would like to open our learning spaces to our families from 2pm on Thursday 4th August. We will look at ideas about what our students want to do in the future and what that may look like. Hope you can join us.

Have a great day,
Mrs Kristy Glyde
Principal

REPTON 2022

JULY 2022

28th Paul Kelly Cup
29th District Athletics

AUGUST 2022

1st-5th Education Week
4th Aug- Open classrooms 2pm
10th - P&C Meeting 5pm
22nd-24th Book Fair
16th Book Character Parade

SEPTEMBER 2022

23rd Last Day Term 3

OCTOBER 2022

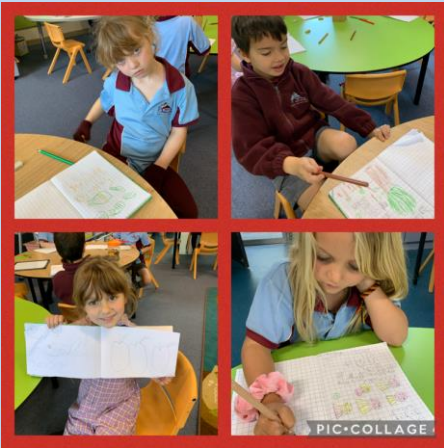
10th First Day Term 4

Thought of the Week

Great achievements require
time and effort.



Gaagal



K/1 Gaagal have been learning how to share and make equal groups this week in maths. We have been solving and posing problems and using counters and drawing pictures to solve them. "If we made 12 cupcakes and shared them equally between 4 friends, how many would they get each?"

Bindarray



Learning mathematics is so much fun when we incorporate games into our lessons. This week we played a favourite which encourages mental addition skills. All students were laughing and learning with their peers and were able to move on to more complex calculations during the session. Well done, Bindarray!

Winda



Winda are learning about living things and what adaptations are needed to help survival in different environments. We are learning about plants and animals and their unique characteristics. We are growing our own mushrooms. We are finding the best conditions to support their growth. Good luck!

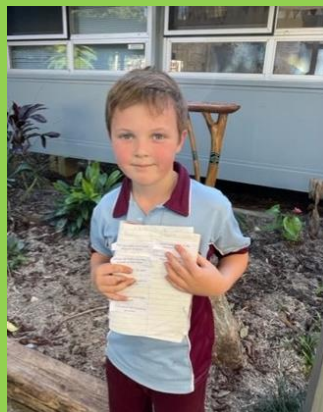
WRITER OF THE WEEK

Gaagal



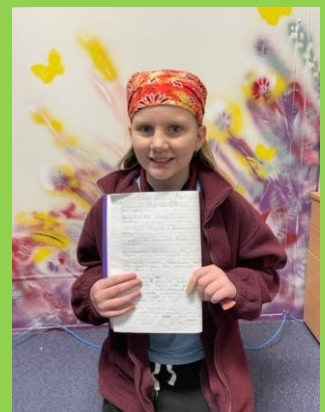
Max

Bindarray



Oliver

Winda



Evie

EDUCATION WEEK 2022

“CREATING FUTURES”

THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST

OPEN CLASSROOMS

2PM



Completing Absentee Notes and Notices

Information for parents and carers

It is important to tell the school if your child has to be absent from school and to provide a reason for the absence.

Principals are legally responsible for keeping accurate records of student attendance.

Principals are also responsible for deciding if the reason given for an absence is justified.

Wherever possible, parents and carers are encouraged to provide an explanation for absences before the absences occur.

The Principal of the school has the right to question parents' requests for their child to be absent from school. The Principal also has the right to question an explanation given for a child's absence from school.

To explain an absence parents and carers may:

- send a note, fax or email to the school
- telephone the school, or
- visit the school.

Bilingual Absentee Notes

Three bilingual absentee notes are available to assist you to inform the school of your child's absence.

Absentee note 1 should be used when a child is absent for 1 whole day.

Absentee note 2 should be used when a child is absent for more than 1 day.

Absentee note 3 should be used when a child is absent for part of the day.

Absentee Notices

If the school has not received an explanation for a child's absence they may send you an Absentee Notice.

Principals use the Absentee Notice to contact parents within two days of an unexplained absence.

The Absentee Notice must be completed in English and returned to the school within seven school days, giving a reason for the absence.

Completing details of absences

Sections of the Absentee Notes and the Absentee Notice ask you to provide details for your child's absence or partial absence.

For the school to be able to understand the reasons given, these sections should be completed in English. Possible reasons are provided in this leaflet and have been translated into English for you to copy onto the forms, if applicable.

If you have difficulty understanding the Absentee Notes or Absentee Notice or with completing the details you may telephone the school to explain the reason for your child's absence. If you telephone the school you do not need to fill in a written note as well.

Telephone Interpreter Service

If you need an interpreter to assist you to contact your child's school, please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The interpreter will call the school and stay on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

Students of the Week



Gaagal: **Indi, Max, Coco**



Bindarray: **Jake, Florence, Sofia**



Winda: **Molly, Alira, Azalia**



Classiest Class Award – **Gaagal**



Leader Awards:
Sofia, Benji, Cash, Jamie, Maple, Lily, Reef



Win Bin Wednesday:
Evie, Chloe, Leon

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS:





Holiday BINGO!



KITCHEN GARDEN STALL



There is currently lots to buy from the garden stall. There is a great selection of succulents that the students have potted up, turmeric and mandarins from the garden, worm 'wee' - to get your own garden growing as spring approaches, second hand garden magazines and more. Prices are cheap so pop in and check out what is available.



CANTEEN NEWS
Don't forget,
Canteen is on this Friday!

**NO
HOT?**
Play in the
shade

Cancer Council NSW Cancer Institute NSW SUNSMART

Build Your Own Healthy Lunchbox

Vegetables

Fruits

yoghurt

Cream Cheese

Water

Dairy and Alternatives

Grain and Cereal Food

Meat and Protein Alternatives

COVID Baseline Measures:

These 'baseline measures' are aligned to the NSW Government's general community settings and include:

- staying home and getting tested if unwell, and only attending school when symptom free
- strongly encouraging mask-wearing for all staff and students, particularly in the first 4 weeks of term
- rapid antigen testing for symptomatic students and staff, and close contacts attending school to learn and work
- strongly encouraging COVID-19 vaccinations for students, staff and their families, including a booster shot (when eligible)
- strongly encouraging students, staff and their families to get a flu vaccination
- good hygiene practices
- maximising natural ventilation
- boosted cleaning during the day, with particular attention given to high touch surface areas
- responding to local COVID-19 conditions when necessary, by working with the department's Health, Safety and Staff Wellbeing team.



ICAS returns in 2022

We're delighted to inform you that we will be participating in ICAS again this year, to recognise and reward students' academic achievement. The assessments are now fully online and sitting dates will commence in Term 3. Learn more by visiting [icasassessments.com](https://www.icasassessments.com). Payment for assessments to be received by the office by the 1st August with completed table below of your assessment choices.

Student Name :		
Subject	Australia (AU\$, inc. GST)	Tick below
Digital Technologies	\$19.25	
Science	\$19.25	
English	\$19.25	
Mathematics	\$19.25	
Spelling Bee	\$19.25	
Writing	\$23.65	
Total Payment (to be received by the 1 st August, 2022)		