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Repton Public School

Newsletter - Term 1 Week 9

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Principal's Message

Easter: We would like to wish our students and their families a great Easter long weekend. We will be holding our annual hat parade on Thursday with our mega Easter raffle draw to follow. Thanks for all the kind donations and final selling of tickets. We hope to see you all at the parade. 9:15 start.

Inclusivity: We promote an inclusive culture in classes and within our school environment. We are all different and we all belong is a common message. So on April 2nd we will celebrate World Autism Day with a silent disco!!! K/1/2 will participate first followed by 3-6. Each student will get headphones and have a dance to the beat! We look forward to including this in our annual activities.

Fitness: After eating all that chocolate, why not encourage your child to go for a run! Maybe you could join them too? Take the dog? We have two activities before the end of term that require fitness and stamina. The cross country and colour fun run will require a little practice so try and get moving as much as you can to prepare for these events.

Attendance: Consistent attendance improves student outcomes, increases career options, and helps students build relationships and confidence. With holidays approaching, we have lots of activities to keep our students engaged at school. We understand with the excitement building we can need more rest breaks and we will maintain high expectations on learning during these weeks also.

Uniforms: We have sent home a few spare uniforms, and our 2nd hand rack is looking very slim. If you have any outgrown clothes, your donations would be greatly appreciated. Bring them into the office.

Hats: Please make sure your child has a hat every day for school. Thanks.

Have a great week,
Mrs Kristy Glyde,
Principal

MARCH 2024

28TH Easter Hat Parade
29th Good Friday

APRIL 2024

1st Easter Monday
2nd World Autism Day- silent disco
11th Cross Country
12th **COLOUR FUN RUN**
Last Day Term 1
FUN DAY !
30th First day Term 2

Thought of the Week

Easter is a time for new beginnings and fresh starts. May this be the start of something great!



GAAGAL Kindy



Happy Easter everyone! Gaagal are making great strides in their learning. It is wonderful to hear them sounding out, reading and writing words using their known sounds. In mathematics, Gaagal have been investigating mass - heavy and light objects. They are practicing writing numbers to 10 and learning to solve simple addition problems. The week will finish with some Easter fun, can't wait to see all the Easter Hats!

1/2 JULUUM



Juluum have really enjoyed the last week of learning and sharing. We have had a mathematical focus on measurement. This resulted in fun, hands-on experiences measuring the length and area of our shoes. We had a delightful day on Harmony Day. We read the book, I'm Australian Too, made friendship suncatchers and learnt more about our family origins which are very diverse in Juluum. We found this fascinating! Fantastic work boys and girls!

3/4 BINDARRAY



I was so proud of Bindarray's involvement in our Harmony Day celebrations. Our students were captivated in their learning of different cultures, in particular when hearing about Leo H.L.'s life in Austria. Leo also gave us a quick lesson in German and Arlo a lesson in Spanish – how lucky we are to have such diversity within our classroom! Our students have also been thoroughly enjoying our new English texts, allowing them to explore the nature and environment of Antarctica – such a fascinating topic. Fantastic learning, Bindarray!

5/6 WINDA



This week Winda have been completing some practical work to make connections between our learning in the classroom and out of the classroom. Our new maths unit has a measurement focus which allowed us to use trundle wheels to go outside and measure various lengths. We used our measurements to build on our understanding of metres and kilometres. In science we completed a school rust audit to look at a real-life example of an irreversible change. We will use our findings to come up with different ways to help prevent rust from occurring.

WRITER OF THE WEEK

Gaagal



Juluum



Bindarray



Winda



Carter

Lily

Leo H-L

Asha

CAPA



Garden

In gardening last week Emus experimented with planting coriander seedlings and seeds into the garden bed to see which will grow stronger.

We had to do a rerun of planting pea seeds as the furry friends thought last week's punnets were delicious when they snacked in the evenings of our shade house!

Emus reinvigorated the worm farms and were able to spread the vermicompost amongst the garden beds and mounded it around seedling plugs for the perfect start."

Well done, Emus!

CAPA

This week our focus in Creative Arts was art. As Easter is just around the corner our aim was for everyone to create an Easter wreath decoration using egg shapes. The Kookaburras created eight different designs for each of their eggs using pencils, textas, watercolours, fine line markers and paints. We had some creative designs such as emojis, pastel patterns and different shape outlines. Our eggs were assembled into a wreath shape and finished off with the addition of bunny ears on top. Well done Kookaburras for making such creative Easter wreaths!

Kitchen

Our Platypus group were joined by Mrs. Brownlee in the kitchen this week as they showed off their design and creation skills in our final Master Chef fruit platter challenge. The Platypus group brought their best to the table as they arranged watermelon, strawberries, plums and citrus fruits in designs that mimicked mandala arrangements. Completing this task allows our students to practice their skills in safe knife handling in the kitchen as well as to learn about the importance in planning and design when presenting a dish.

Students of the Week



GAAGAL: Noah & Sophia



JULUUM: Reef & Didi



BINDARRAY: Oliver & Bowie



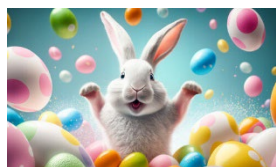
WINDA: Maple & Elwood



LEADER AWARDS:
Alira, Reef, Leo, Axel, Oliver Hayley & Lewis



CLASSIEST CLASS:
Juluum



EASTER HAT PARADE & RAFFLE ***Tomorrow !!!!!!!***

*Come along & watch the parade – & last chance to
purchase Easter raffle tickets!*

We will begin the Parade in the morning at 9.15am.



EXCITING GARDEN PROJECT

Our gardeners are planning a giant hot compost heap to turn our scraps into a rich and fertile layer of soil for our Veggie beds.

The bigger the heap the better!

(This saves us buying plastic bags full of fertilizer and teaches a lifetime skill of compost making)



How you can help?

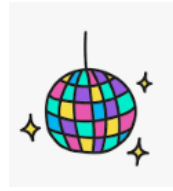
We would love your collections of newspaper, cardboard, egg cartons, sawdust in bags, seaweed (wet or dry) hair from the salon, eggshells, lawn clippings, or even a bale of hay. The students will moisten and layer all the ingredients, cover the heap and let the microorganisms get to work!

We plan this for Friday April 5 in Week 10 (after Easter).

Please leave all donations at the fence near the green bins.

Thank you from Mrs Lizzie.





To celebrate

World Autism Understanding Day - 2nd of April

our school will be hosting a 'Silent Disco', courtesy of Blue Sky Connection Services.

During a silent disco, students are provided with headphones and can choose from 3 available channels of music to dance and listen to. Children with autism and other sensory needs can sometimes struggle when it comes to traditional parties. Loud noises and lots of jumping around can become overwhelming. At a silent disco, it's easier for them to take some time out by turning down or taking off their headphones.



We would also like our students to wear blue in honour of World Autism Understanding Day, and we look forward to enjoying this inclusive event!

HARMONY DAY



WIN BIN WEDNESDAY

congratulations

Reef, Noah, Wren & Coco



Interschool River Fun Day



REPTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

LAST DAY FUN DAY

FRIDAY 12 APRIL

1PM START

\$5 ENTRY

**WE INVITE FAMILY TO JOIN
US FOR THE AFTERNOON OF FUN**

**BRING ALONG YOUR OWN WATER
THROWING DEVICES TO JOIN IN THE FUN**

THIS EVENT IS PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY THE P&C

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