



The Fledgling Flyer

Ayr State School Newsletter

Week 6 - Term 4

From the Principal's Pen

As we move toward the end of term, classrooms are focused on final assessment across all year levels. While this is a routine part of schooling, we acknowledge that it can add pressure and occasional feelings of stress or anxiety for some students. Families can support their children by maintaining consistent routines, encouraging regular and manageable revision, creating a calm study space, and promoting a positive mindset around effort and learning. Taking a moment each day to check in on how children are feeling can also make a meaningful difference.

Last week's PBL Reward Afternoon was a wonderful celebration of students' positive behaviour and commitment to our school expectations. The school-wide scavenger hunt brought great excitement, followed by wet play fun that students thoroughly enjoyed. It was a well-deserved reward for their hard work throughout the term.

We also extend our appreciation to Healthy Harold and the Life Education team for visiting with the van. Students took part in engaging sessions focused on health and wellbeing, and their enthusiasm for Harold's visit was clear on Wednesday.

This weekend marks the opening of the People Country Connection Wearable Arts Exhibition, a celebration of creativity and connection to place. Further details appear later in this newsletter for families wishing to attend or learn more.

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Kind regards

Nikki Schell



Step Up to Prep



Step Up to Prep lessons are continuing throughout Term 4, with the last lesson being on Friday 4th December. Come and join in the fun in the classroom and out in the playground each Friday. The lessons start at 10am and finish at 12pm.

Coming each time gets your child used to the routine of school and attendance every day is important to assist them in learning their schoolwork and to allow them to socialise with other children.

Every day counts

ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY



*Based on historical data.

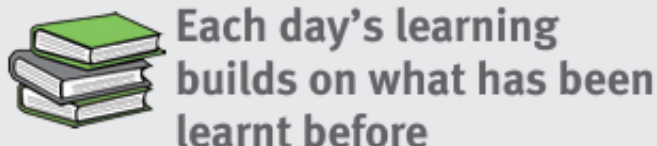
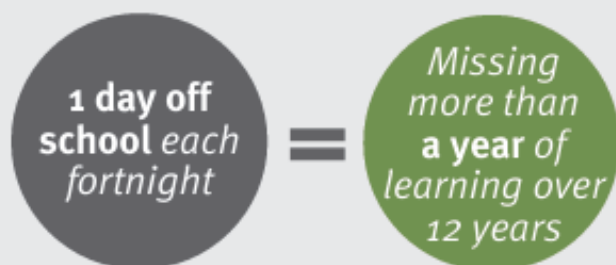
What parents can do



Get involved in your child's school

EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference



Good attendance begins in Prep



It's where good habits begin

Every Day Counts

MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day



OK reasons to stay home from school



sick



natural disasters



It's **NOT OK** to skip school to shop, sleep in, finish an assignment, go on holidays

The best way to help your child to succeed at school is to have them attend every day possible. Not only do they complete schoolwork and learning tasks, they also get to play with their friends. Socialising and playing with their friends helps to build strong friendships and bonds that will last for all their schooling, and sometimes for their entire life.

PBL Mid-Term Reward



Look at all the fun we had with 4 buckets of water. The school had planned a wet play afternoon for students who were eligible for the PBL Rewards afternoon.



Due to town water restrictions we were unable to turn our sprinklers on for the students. But we found another way to have fun together.



Students took part in a scavenger hunt for 100 little frogs and 100 little ducks. Each time they placed one on the board they had to get past a staff member with a mini water pistol or mini blaster, so they could start to search again. Not only did we make sure we conserved water but we had so many laughs.

Interschool Sports



Year 4, 5 and 6 have been competing in games of soccer for Interschool Sports each Friday. They have been having a lot of fun playing against the other schools. I wonder if there are any future Premier League players in our ranks.



Thungaroo News

What a busy and exciting couple weeks it's been in Thungaroo! In Maths, we've been exploring number and place value using MAB blocks for hands-on learning experiences. The students have been building, trading, and exploring numbers in creative ways that make learning both fun and meaningful.

Friday afternoons have become our special time to unwind, with board games and building activities encouraging creativity, problem-solving, and connection.



Our Year 2 and 3 students have also been working on social skills and teamwork in their transition time for what classes might look like coming into next year. They have been participating in a range of cooperative games and challenges, the marshmallow and spaghetti towers were a huge hit!



A highlight this week was when some of the Thungaroo girls taught Mrs Young a new clapping game and rhyme, there were plenty of laughs and smiles all around!

We're also incredibly proud of all our Thungaroo students for meeting their Magpie Points goals! Their consistent effort, positive behaviour, and teamwork have truly paid off. To celebrate, we've been enjoying Friday reward time last week's favourite was free pick from the prize box! It's fantastic to see everyone working hard to earn their rewards and showing that "Respect is heard in every word."

Lunchtime Shenanigans



Students have been enjoying some time out of the heat and spending their lunchtimes in the Social Club or the STEM room. The students let their imaginations run wild and create some awesome things.





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TERM 4 - 2025

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Carnival	Playgroup in the Hall 9am - 11am		Step up to Prep - 10.00am -12.00pm
8		Webber Shield	Playgroup in the Hall 9am - 11am		Step up to Prep - 10.00am -12.00pm
9			P&C Meeting 3.20pm in the School Library	Year 6 Transition to ASHS	Year 6 Transition to ASHS
10	Christmas Concert	PBL Rewards Day	Year 6 Graduation	Student Christmas Lunch Colour Run	Last School Day of 2025
	Christmas	Holidays		Christmas	Holidays
	2026	Term 1			
WK 1	Australia Day Public Holiday	First Day of Term 1			



JUNIORS 'Fast Four'

TOUCH FOOTBALL CARNIVAL

Ayr, Saturday, 22nd November 2025

Divisions-

Boys U10, U12, U14, U16

Girls U10, U12, U14, U16

Fast Four- Teams of 6 players

with 4 players v 4 players

on half a Touch field.

Four touches per set +

normal Touch rules.

Game time 10 minutes.

Team nomination fee \$20.

\$ \$ \$

Cash

Prizes

\$100 per division

Nominate teams by emailing this completed form to burdekintouch4807@gmail.com or by returning it to the Burdekin Touch canteen - team fee payable by cash or EFTPOS. Nominations close 17th November.

Direct Debit Payment Burdekin Touch Association BSB: 654 000 Acc. No.: 64258541
Reference: Team name + division + your name

For more information, contact Bec Watson 0400 705 205 or Peter Knapton 0437 710 500

Team name _____ Division/s _____

Contact person _____ Mob. No _____ Email _____