



Gerringong Public School Term 4 Week 7



Fortnightly Newsletter Term 4 Week 7
2022

21st November

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families

It was so lovely to see so many students and their families up at Cronin Oval on Saturday the 12th, for the community Kite Festival. The kites looked so colourful up in the sky, and the student kites looked amazing and flew well. It was the perfect weather conditions for flying. The band Hot Potato were very entertaining and engaged all the families - a lot of fun had by all. Thank you for participating.



Maths Enrichment Program

Kindergarten Maths Enrichment has been running this term and you can hear their brains whirring from the moon. They start each session with a brain warm up game. This focuses their minds and builds their relationship with their classmates. The students discuss their learning intention for the lesson then they get into fun activities and games where the students play each other, race the clock or practice the skill. After all that fun, Kindy discusses the different ways they worked out the answers with each other. Finally, Kindy discusses what they learnt in the day's lesson.

Kindergarten started the term with a focus on number 10 and how we can use the number combinations. Subtraction followed and learning about the 'difference' and all the strategies we can use

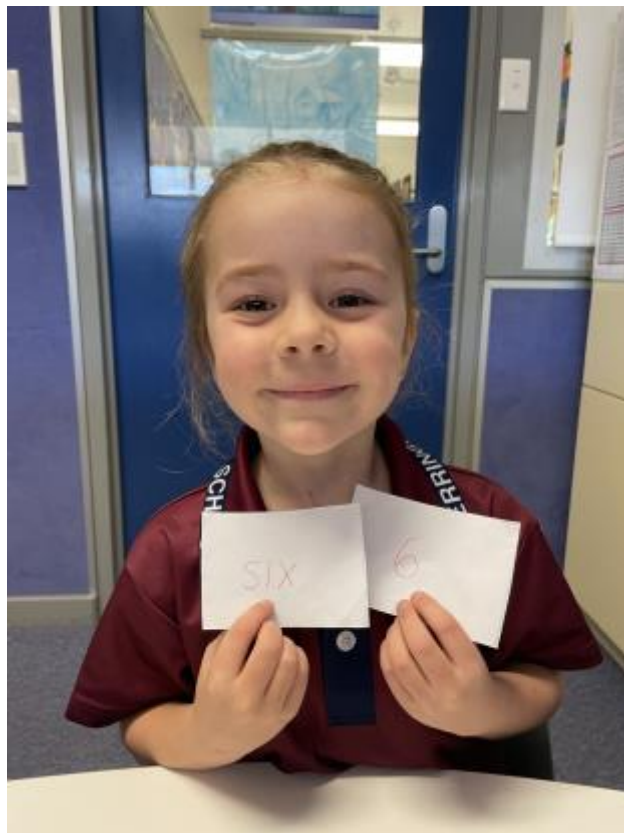
to subtract. We're partitioning numbers now and, as we head into the end of term, we're going to use this and our friends of 10 to work with 2 and 3 digit addition and subtraction. Well done Kindergarten Enrichment students!



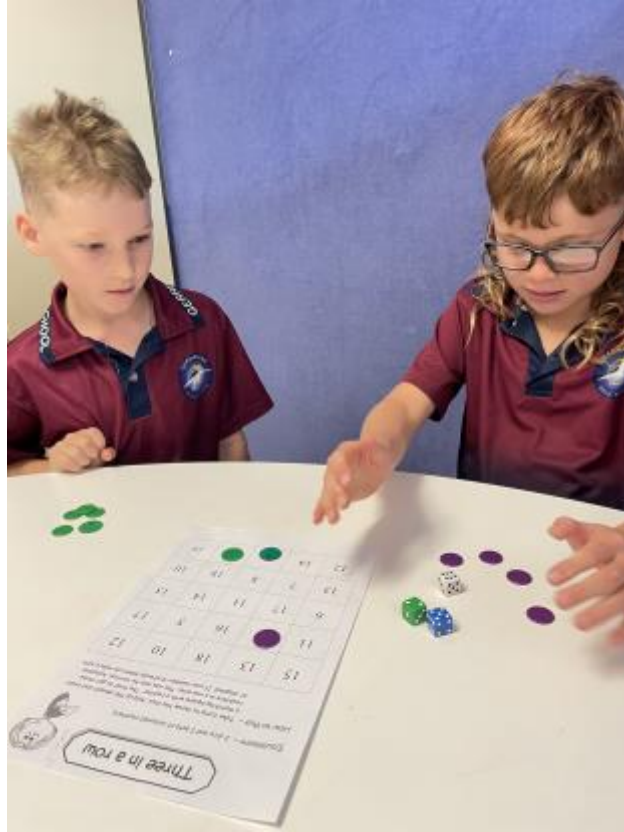


This semester, Mrs Coulston has been working with students in the numeracy hub. Students have made pleasing progress with number recognition and identification, grouping and counting items, addition and subtraction and understanding time. Students have gained a greater confidence in their numeracy abilities through the Targeted Numeracy Intervention Program. Well done to all students.













Kiama Municipal Council Pedestrian Crossing Update:

Council advises that the works to upgrade the pedestrian crossing refuge in Belinda Street, Gerringong will commence at the start of this week with new footpath sections first. The next activity will be to remove the centre island and form new pedestrian islands. Traffic management for the installation will occur for the safety of the work crew and school students.

Wellbeing:

Two weeks ago students were rewarded for reaching a milestone with their Waves rewards. A whole school fun activity afternoon occurred with every class. Thank you to the staff who made it such a great fun afternoon for the students, rewarding positive behaviour.













































At GPS, we address student wellbeing through our Living Ripples program, PDH lessons and regular resilience-building activities and discussions in the classroom. As part of this, we are continuing to develop a shared understanding on what constitutes bullying with the students and are hoping that this message can be further supported at home.

Bullying is:

1. Repeated
2. Deliberately hurtful
3. Makes the person feel scared or weak.

We encourage you to discuss this with your child at home and please reach out or contact your classroom teacher if you would like any further clarification and support.

There have also been recent reports regarding cyberbullying. Social networks can be hugely benefitting and serve a wonderful purpose but they can also cause harm and distress. Primary students often don't have the self regulation or maturity to understand the impact of their comments and to have unsupervised time on social media can be dangerous. Please read the two advice sheets regarding getting started with social media and cyberbullying. The eSafety website is a wonderful source of information for families and educators. Please take time to read these articles.

I have recently spoken to some students from stage 1- stage 3 regarding kindness, respectful and responsible use of apps. Please talk with your child regarding any experiences they may have had. I am also happy to discuss any concerns with you.

Getting help when your child is being bullied online

Online bullying – or cyberbullying – is when someone online is mean or makes someone feel bad or upset, or even threatens them. It can happen to children on a social media site, online game, app, or other online services.

Someone could make your child feel bad or upset by:

- sending hurtful messages about them
- sharing embarrassing photos or videos of them
- spreading nasty online gossip about them
- leaving them out of an online group chat
- making racist comments about them or their culture.

Online bullying can happen to anyone. It's important that your child knows they can come to you or an adult they trust for help, and not get in trouble.

Helping your child if they are bullied online

If your child seems worried or anxious around their phone, computer or device, ask them about what is happening.

Tell your child that no one deserves to be hurt online and that it is OK to feel upset. If they can't solve the issue on their own, you can help them.

Children often go online to find support when things go wrong, so it is not always a good idea to take away their device to try to fix things.

Reporting cyberbullying

1. Collect evidence. Screenshot the harmful content, webpage address (URL), and account username.
2. Report to the online service. [The eSafety Guide](#) can help you do this. If the service doesn't respond within 48 hours, go to esafety.gov.au and click the red '[report abuse](#)' button.
3. Prevent further contact. Use settings to ignore, mute or block the other person and check your privacy settings.
4. Get more help. Talk to a trusted adult or a counsellor at [Kids Helpline](#) (1800 55 1800) or [headspace](#).



For more information about how to keep your family safe online, search for [eSafety Parents](#) on our website.



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Getting started with social media

Social media platforms (like Facebook, Tik Tok and Instagram) are great for connecting with family and friends through messages, images and even videos. But there are also risks, like seeing harmful content, being treated badly, or being sent inappropriate messages.

Three questions to ask

Most platforms need you to be at least 13 years old to join. But a child also needs to be able to manage the risks. Three questions to ask your child are:

- What would you do if you saw something harmful online?
- How can you tell if an online message or person is safe?
- Who would you go to if something bad happened to you online?

Help your child

The [eSafety Guide](#) on the eSafety website can help you make your child's account safe.

It is also a good idea to supervise your child when they use social media because children are more likely to ask for help when adults are interested and nearby.

Using social media safely

Talk to your child about how they want to use their account. Encourage them to:

- be kind to themselves and respectful of others
- avoid sharing details that could make it easy for someone to find them (like their school uniform or home address)

- use app features to set limits on how much time they spend on social media
- learn more about being safe online using eSafety's information for [young people](#).

Dealing with issues on social media

It is never okay for someone to be pressured, bullied or harassed online. Use The eSafety Guide to find out how to report any problems to the social media platform. If the platform doesn't help, [contact eSafety](#) to help find the right support.



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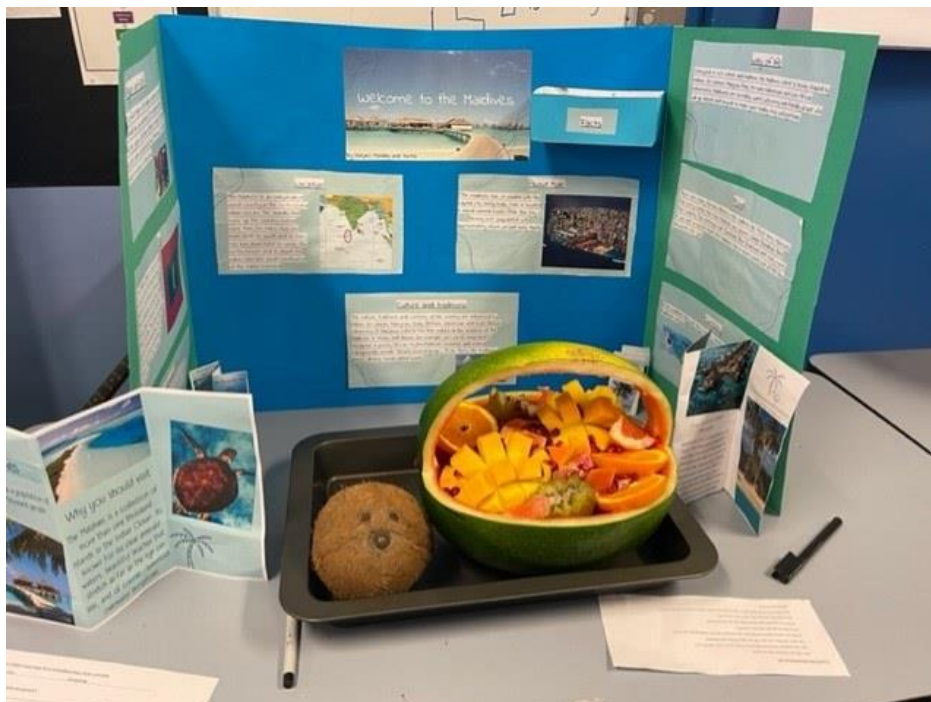
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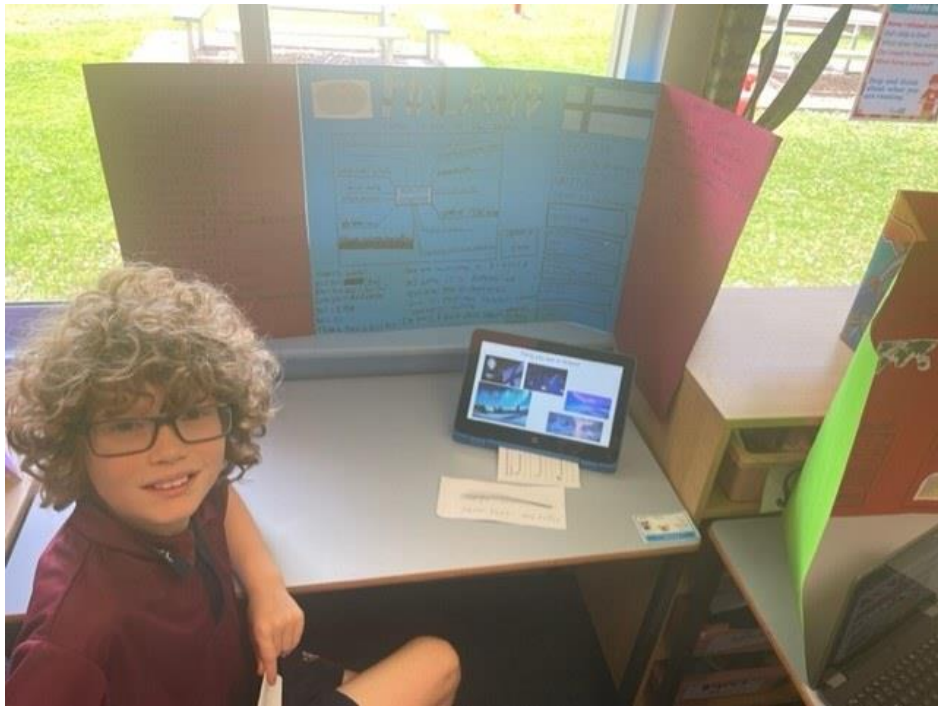
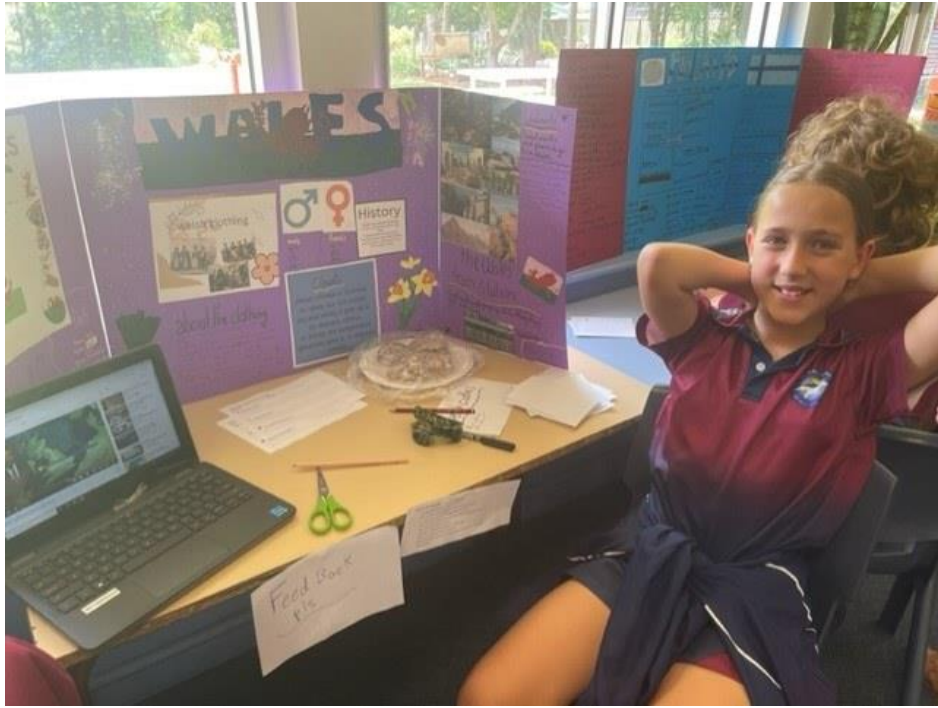
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Thank you to our Year 6 leaders who represented GPS at the recent Remembrance ceremony at the headland on November 11 2022.



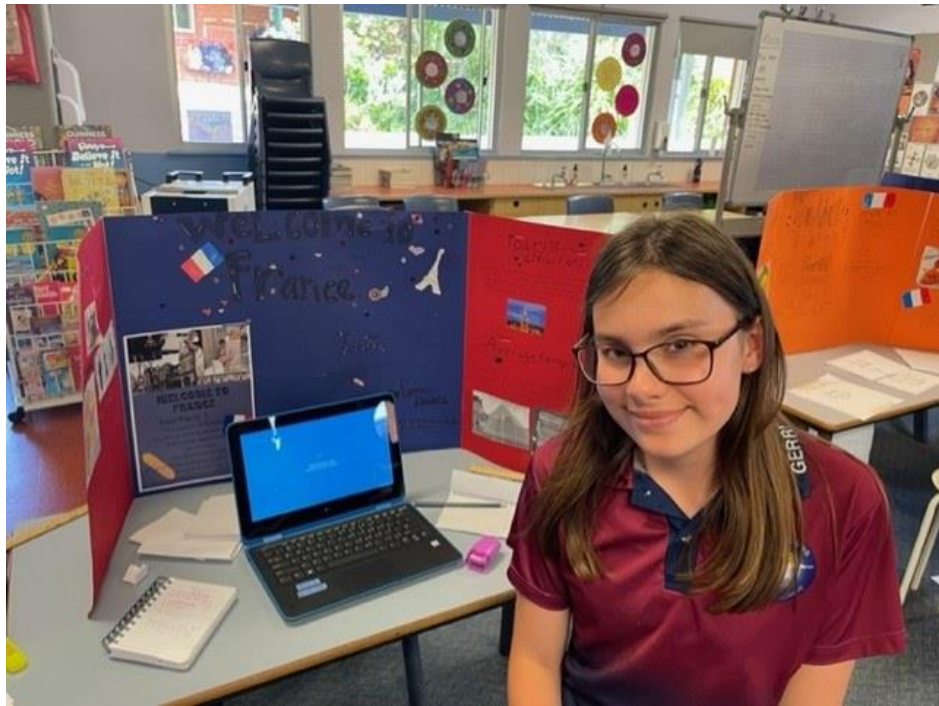
Last week, students in Stage 3 took part in a Travel Expo where they shared their learning with peers from Years 5 and 6. They were asked to choose a 'lesser-known' country from around the world and persuade their classmates to visit. Students were excited to share their work, with many going above and beyond by wearing traditional clothing, sharing popular food and recreating famous monuments as miniature models. An important part of the Travel Expo was providing our students the opportunity to observe and share feedback to help each other identify strengths as well as most importantly, how they can improve!









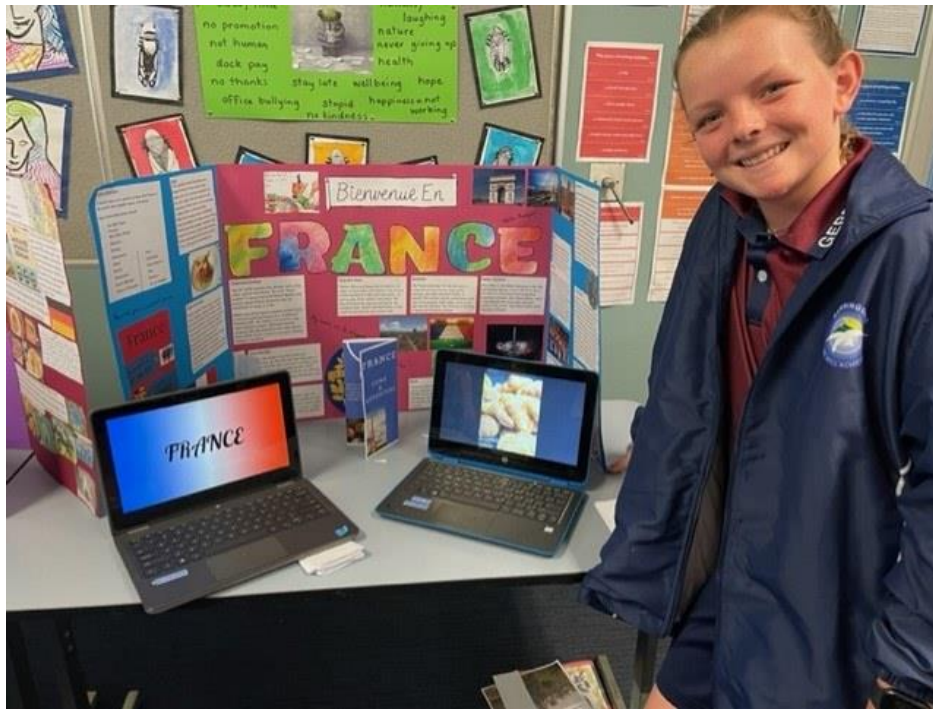


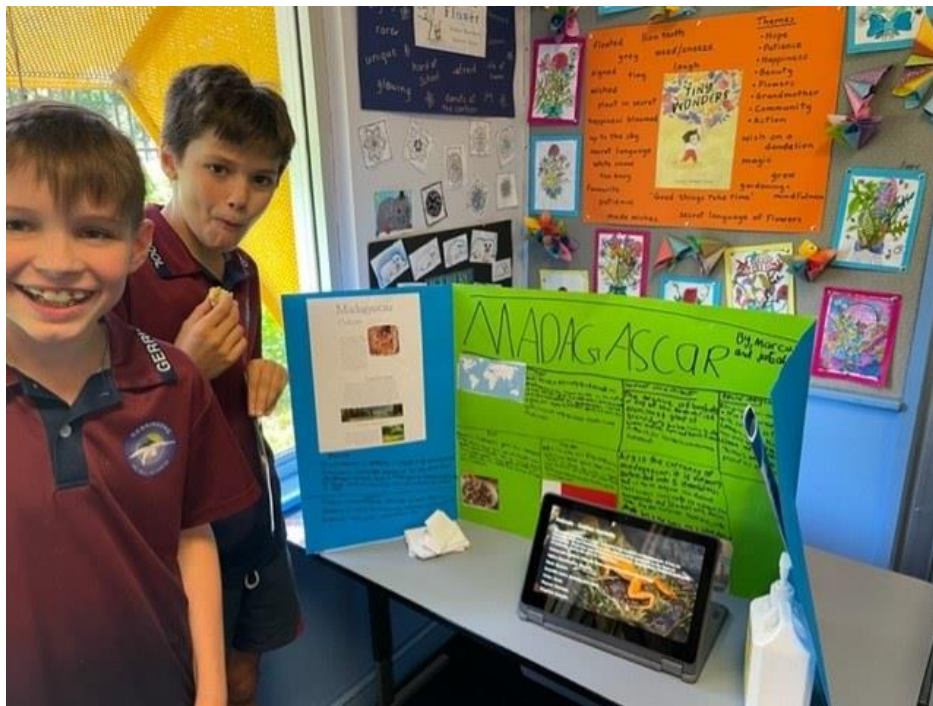




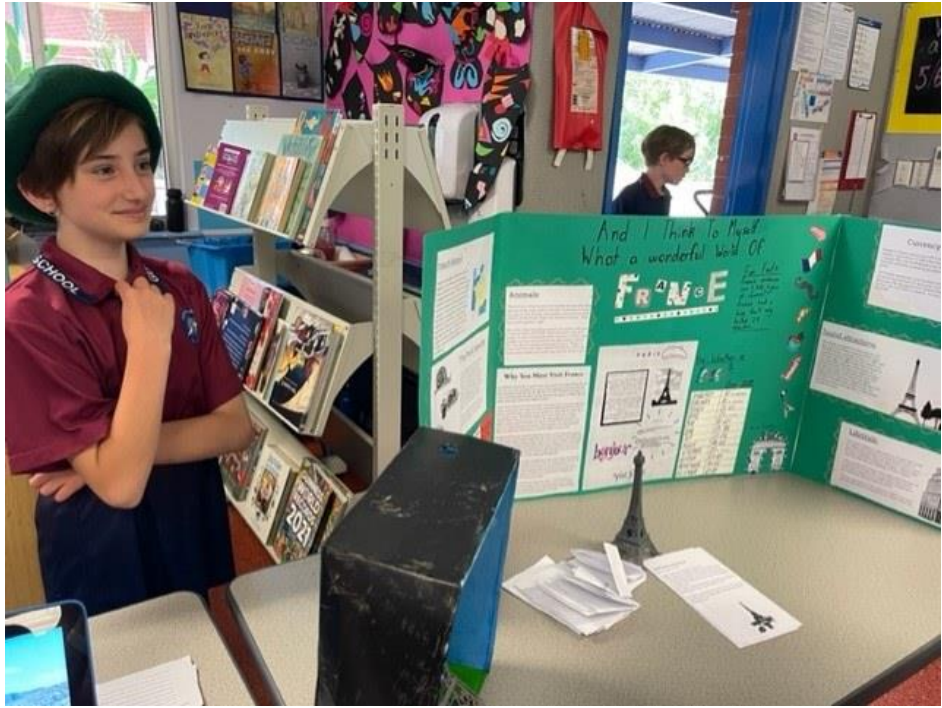


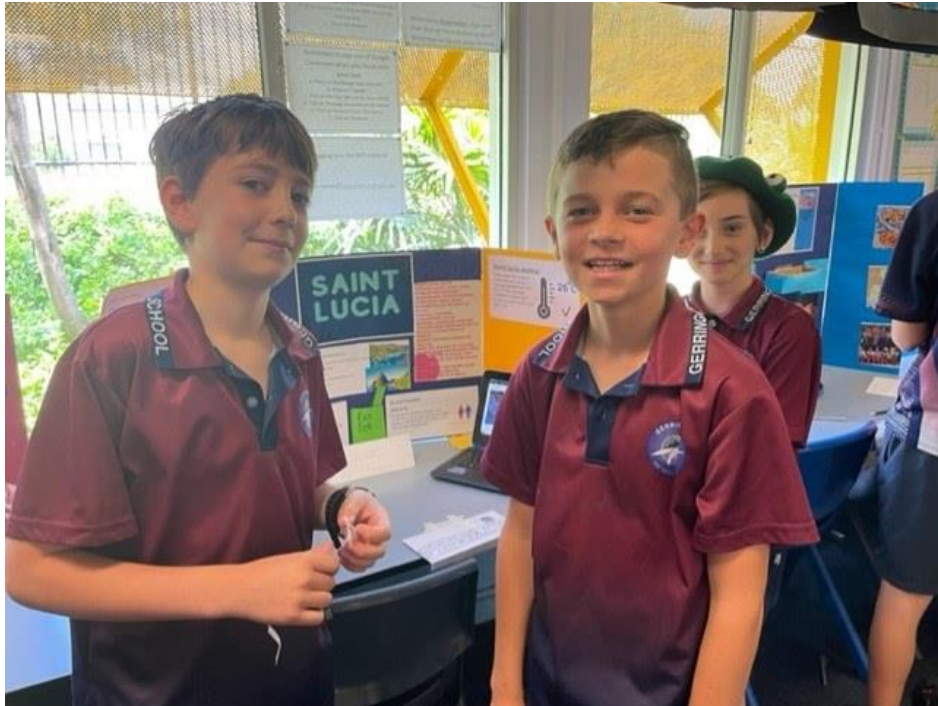


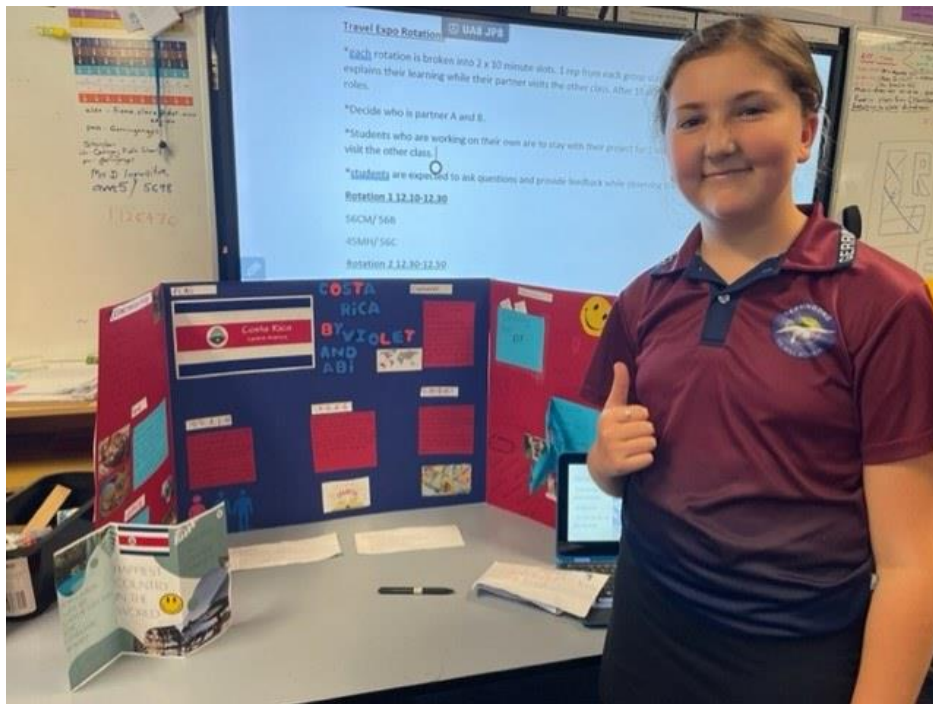
















AFL Paul Kelly Cup State Finals

Now that the photos have been shared by NSW AFL, I am very proud to present our amazing AFL girls, who recently competed in the Paul Kelly Cup State Final – an amazing feat when you consider none of them are AFL players! The Paul Kelly Cup is the largest AFL primary school competition in New South Wales and the ACT. In this competition a pool of 400 teams from more than 50 local tournaments was gradually whittled down throughout the year to 12 girls' teams and 12 boys' teams for the State Finals. The girls had won two tournaments to get there and were Regional Finalists for the South Coast.

On a brilliant day of competition at the Giants Stadium in Sydney Olympic Park, Gerringong won two out of three games in their pool and missed out on the semi-final by one place, coming 5th in the state!

I would like to congratulate the girls on this wonderful achievement and thank the many parents and grandparents who travelled up on the day.

Mrs Miller











School Dates:

First Day of Term 4: Monday 10th October 2022

Last Day of the Year: Friday 16th December 2022

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our presentation assemblies and our end of year Celebration Picnic Concert. Everyone should have received an email last week regarding dates.

Everyone have a great week!

Kind regards

Mrs Kristie Goldthorp OAMJP

Principal



Library News

Library borrowing has now finished. Please encourage your child/children to return their books asap so stocktake can begin. Your child may receive an overdue notice next week. If you think the book was already returned, please return the notice with details and I will check the shelves. Over 14,000 books have been loaned this year - if everyone has been read we are on target to be the best readers on the south coast! Thank you parents for your encouragement, support and for your time spent discussing and reading/sharing books with your children.

If you have an avid reader in your home, we are having a 'new to me' books sale this week. Children can purchase 5 books for \$1. Children can bring their gold coin in on any day.

Great books, great prices and recycling!

Gerringong Library and Museum

Gerringong Library and Museum are celebrating their 1st birthday on Saturday 3rd December. Our boys and girls have been busy drawing, painting and creating art works connected to books and stories. The children's creative works will be exhibited in their gallery.

It will be such a fun day, so please put the date in your diary.

Thanks Marg



Calendar Term 4



Gerringong Public School – Term 4 Calendar 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	10/10 First Day of Term 4	11/10 Whole School assembly	12/10 Scripture	13/10	14/10 K-2 assembly
2	17/10 Music program 3-6 School Band P & C Meeting 7pm Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	18/10 Whole School assembly Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	19/10 Scripture Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme Boat Safety Awareness	20/10 Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme Boat Safety Awareness	21/10 3-6 assembly Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme
3	24/10 Music program K-2 School Band Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	25/10 Whole School assembly Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	26/10 Scripture Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	27/10 Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme	28/10 K-2 assembly Years 2 & 3 Swim Scheme
4	31/10 Music program 3-6 School Band	1/11 Whole School assembly	2/11 Scripture	3/11 School Disco Kindy Orientation #1	4/11 3-6 assembly Last day to purchase Gerringong Passport for kids
5	7/11 Music program K-2 School Band	8/11 Whole School assembly Kindy Orientation #2 Kiama High School Open Night (Y4,5&6)	9/11 Scripture	10/11 ES1 Science Centre Excursion	11/11 K-2 assembly Remembrance Day
6	14/11 Music program 3-6 School Band Kindy Orientation #3	15/11 Whole School assembly Kiama High School Information Night	16/11 Scripture 2024 Selective High School Application website closes	17/11	18/11 3-6 assembly
7	21/11 Music program K-2 School Band	22/11 Whole School assembly	23/11 Scripture Year 5 & 6 Interrelate	24/11	25/11 K-2 assembly

8	28/11 Music program 3-6 School Band	29/11 Whole School assembly	30/11 Last Day of Scripture Year 5 & 6 Interrelate	01/12	02/12 3-6 assembly
	05/12 Music program K-2 School Band Stage 1 Science Centre Excursion P & C Meeting	06/12 Whole School assembly Year 6 Jamboree	07/12 Year 5 & 6 Interrelate	08/12	09/12 K-2 assembly
10	12/12 Music program 3-6 School Band	13/12 Whole School assembly K-2 Presentation Day	14/12 K-6 GPS Holiday Evening Concert Year 5 & 6 Interrelate Year 3-5 Presentation Day	15/12 Year 6 Graduation Assembly and Farewell	16/12 Last Day of Term 4 for Students

OFFICE NEWS

Kindergarten 2023

Gerringong Public School are now accepting applications for enrolment into Kindergarten 2023. If you wish to enrol your child please head to our website and enrol online.

<https://gerringong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment>

School bytes– Online Permission Note

As you would be aware we are now using the online permission notes through the School Bytes system. The feedback we are receiving has been positive and we do understand that for some it may take a bit of getting used to. A great suggestion would be to add the particular event to your electronic calendar and mark the email received as important so you are able to retrieve the event information easily. Alternatively the permission note can be printed. **Please be sure to respond even if your child is not attending/participating.**

We value any feedback, please contact the office with any questions or suggestions.

Payments

Online payments are Gerringong Public School's preferred method of payment. Other payment options include: cash, cheque and eftpos (at the front office). Just a reminder that over the phone eftpos payments can no longer be taken and please ensure all cash payments are clearly labelled.

School News

K-2 Awards Term 4 Week 5

K - 2 Assembly Awards Term 4, Week 5			
Congratulations to:			
K6	<p>Isabelle R- For showing attention to detail and contributing to class</p> <p>Austin U- For creative and skillful story telling</p> <p>Mercy D- For being a kind and compassionate friend</p> <p>Teddy T- For great efforts in reading fluently</p>	1S	<p>Tai M- For persevering and experimenting with different mathematical strategies</p> <p>Curtis B- For awesome commitment during the Year 1 end of year concert practice</p> <p>Emmi A- For analysing and recording data in Maths this week</p> <p>Hazel A- For HUGE improvements in her reading! WOW!</p>
KL	<p>Roxy P- For her outstanding growth shown when writing high frequency words</p> <p>Pranav J- For showing her wonderful teamwork in the boat making challenge at the excursion</p> <p>Rae E- For showing resilience and responsibility at the Space Science Excursion</p> <p>Marty F- For consistently contributing to class discussions</p>	1/2MD	<p>Eden R- For being a kind and considerate class member</p> <p>Harrison R- For persistence with his measurement assessment</p> <p>Bronte O- For always participating and working well</p> <p>Tyson P- For great work with measurement concepts</p>
KT	<p>Indigo P- For being a resilient learner</p> <p>Spencer W- For excellent teamwork in the boat challenge</p> <p>Jasper S- For his contributions during class discussions</p> <p>Jean V- For excellent teamwork in the boat challenge</p>	2C	<p>Tully A- For an amazing alliteration sentence!</p> <p>Abby D- For a big improvement in reading with expression!</p> <p>Rory W- For an incredible improvement in reading & comprehending!</p> <p>Leroy B- For fantastic comprehension skills!</p>
1K	<p>Spencer P - For trying his best in handwriting and bookwork.</p> <p>Madison Hughes - For sharing creative ideas in Poetry Writing Sessions.</p> <p>Nitro D - For a great effort in Reading.</p> <p>Leni B - For working consistently in Maths activities.</p>	2M	<p>Hallie D- For always being a respectful, caring, and hardworking class member</p> <p>Oliver C- For writing a poetic haiku about trees in Autumn</p> <p>Harmony F- For working hard to improve her fluency in reading</p> <p>Samuel A- For persevering and writing a interesting poem about trees</p>

Term 4 Week Wave Winners 6



Term 4 Canteen Menu

GERRINGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL



CANTEEN

SANDWICHES

Vegemite, Honey, Jam	\$2.00
Cheese	\$2.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$2.50
Baked Beans	\$2.50
Spaghetti	\$2.50
Lean Ham	\$2.50
Lean Ham & Cheese	\$3.00
Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$3.50
Lean Ham & Salad	\$4.00
Egg, lettuce & mayo	\$3.50
Salad	\$3.50

Toasted	add \$0.50
Wrap	add \$0.50
Gluten Free Bread	add \$1.00

SALADS

Seasonal salad	\$3.50
Seasonal salad & egg	\$4.50
Seasonal salad & chicken strip	\$5.00
Seasonal salad & lean ham	\$4.50

HOT FOOD

Crumbed chicken strip	\$2.00
Hot chicken wrap	\$4.00
Flame grilled chicken burger	\$4.50
Mac 'n' Cheese	\$4.00
Beef lasagne	\$4.00
Penne bolognese	\$4.00
GF Penne bolognese	\$4.00
Spinach & ricotta roll (Mon/Fri only)	\$3.50
Sausage roll (Mon/Fri only)	\$3.50
Traveller pie (Mon/Fri only)	\$4.00
Albion park pie (Mon/Fri only)	\$4.00
Chicken nuggets (Tues only)	\$3.50

THURSDAY SPECIAL

13th Oct Sushi Bowl	\$4.50
20th Oct Sausage on a hot dog roll	\$3.50
27th Oct Toasted Turkish roll	\$3.50
3rd Nov Mini hot dog sub	\$2.50
10th Nov Munch and crunch box	\$4.50
17th Nov Beef or Fish Burger	\$4.50
24th Nov Pita bread pizza	\$4.50
1st Dec Croissant	\$4.00
8th Dec Pasta Bento	\$5.00
Asian Bento	\$5.00

SNACKS

Seasonal fruit	\$1.00
Veggie sticks	\$1.00
Pikelet	\$0.50
Banana bread	\$0.50
Crackers, cheese & veggie sticks	\$2.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Sea salt red rock deli chips	\$1.50
Mixed cereal bag	\$0.50

FROZEN SNACKS

Half quech stick	\$0.50
Quech stick	\$1.00
Frozen fruit & yoghurt	\$1.00
Frozen milk	\$0.50
Frozen juice	\$0.50
Frozen Bevco black current juice	\$1.00
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$2.50

DRINKS

Water	\$1.00
Plain milk	\$1.00
Strawberry milk	\$2.00
Chocolate milk	\$2.00
Orange juice	\$1.50
Apple juice	\$1.50

2022 P&C Annual General Meeting

Monday 5th December @ 7.00pm

Gerroa Fishermans Club.

Come and join us at the 2022 P&C AGM.

We would love to see some new members for the 2023 P&C.
All positions will be declared vacant.

There are many different ways to being involved with Gerringong PS P&C;
including coming up with new ideas, organising fundraisers, gardening
support, uniform shop, president, treasurer, secretary and more...

Current committee members happy to train you up and assist you in your role.
So please come along and get involved!



Our P&C AGM is only 2 weeks away. We would love to see a large number of attendees to this important meeting. The current President, Secretary and Fundraising Team will be stepping back from their roles and we look forward to seeing new people step into these positions. We are also looking for a team of people to become our school gardening team. Please have a look at the various role statements

and contact the P&C at gerringongpandc@gmail.com¹ if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing you at the Gerroa Fisherman's Club on Monday 5th December.

¹<mailto:gerringongpandc@gmail.com>

P&C Role Statements

President

The role requires a time commitment on average of 1-2 hours a week. The President is responsible for:

- Successful functioning and chairing of P&C meetings
- Ensuring adherence to the P&C constitution
- Acting as P&C spokesperson when public statements are required
- Fostering fair participation of all members
- Overseeing of sub-committees
- Ensuring open lines of communication with Principal
- Being signatory to P&C bank accounts

Secretary

The role requires a time commitment on average of 1-2 hours a week. The secretary is responsible for:

- Preparation of meeting agendas
- Taking minutes at P&C meetings and distributing to members
- Receiving and tabling of correspondence
- Maintaining official records of the P&C
- Writing and dispatching of outgoing correspondence.

Treasurer

The role requires a time commitment on average of 1-2 hours a week. The treasurer is responsible for:

- Ensuring that all funds held and handled by P&C are properly and openly accounted for.
- Being a signatory to P&C bank accounts
- Ensuring fortnightly pay is paid to P&C employees
- Ensuring yearly auditing takes place

Fundraising Team

These roles requires a time commitment on average of 3-4 hours per fundraising event. The fundraising team is responsible for:

- Liaising with Principal to organise a variety of fundraising opportunities for the school community.

Gardening Team

The Gardening Team is responsible for:

- Developing ideas for school grounds enhancements with parent, student and school input
- Organising parent & community working bees
- Working alongside school GA to support maintenance of school orchard and bush tucker gardens.
- Promotion of school gardening activities

Community News



Disclaimer: Gerringong Public School advertises in this column as a service to parents. Gerringong Public School does not endorse or accept responsibility for the management or organisation of the advertised events or services. Please note: The community deadline is 12 noon on Friday. Items received after this time will not be published until the following week.



NOW HIRING

Casual Educators

School Holidays

Peak Sports & Learning

REQUIREMENTS

Working with children check

Ability to work as part of a team

Most of all you will need to be passionate about working with children and having FUN!

THE POSITION

We are looking for casual staff for the school holidays who are passionate about providing a quality education experience for primary school aged children and engaging them the fun experiences we have planned!

Shifts available between 6:00am - 6:30pm (max 8hr shifts) during school holidays. Flexible rostering - you can enter your availability and you will be rostered accordingly. We also have shifts available during school terms if you were also interested in working Before School and After School Care.

Peak Sports & Learning is a child safe organisation. Children's health, safety and wellbeing is at the forefront of everything we do and what we are about. We champion Child Safe values and embed them into all aspects of our organisation.

**SEND YOUR CV TO HR@THEPEAKGROUP.COM.AU OR
CALL 0499544891**

Nutrition Snippet

SILLY SEASON FUN

Get the kids to design their own festive season creation!



Have fun and get fruit and fibre into the day!

Our super easy banana pikelet recipe is perfect for the kids to get creative in the kitchen!

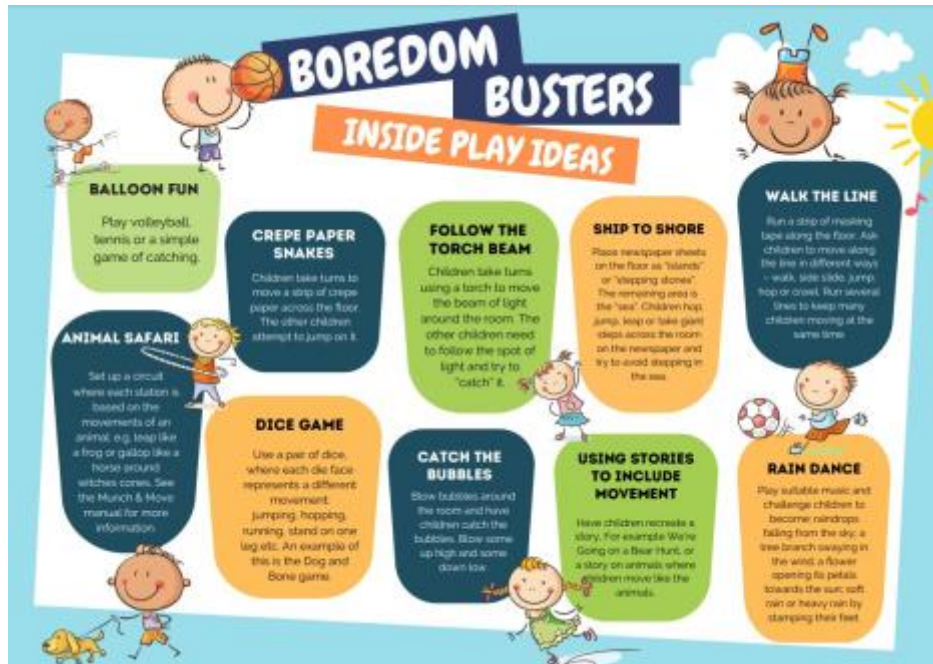


Get this pikelet recipe from:

[www.healthylunchbox.com.au/
recipes/banana-pikelets/](http://www.healthylunchbox.com.au/recipes/banana-pikelets/)



Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box



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THE ANTHONY BENNETT CHILDREN'S PET SHOW (SECTION 31)

CHILDREN'S PET SHOW - SECTION 11

Friday, 3rd February 2012
Shorelands Rescue Network, (The Strath)
Entry fee: \$1 per child, which covers admission to the show and first aid covered.
All children will receive a ribbon if possible Sponsored by: **SEVRY VETERINARY CARE**
ALL ANIMALS MUST BE KEPT UNDER CONTROL
Get here before 10.00am. Subject to confirmation at 4.15pm

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WEEKEND RENA Reg 2 - JUNIOR RACE DE SENIOR 6 MONTHS

- Elite 11.19 Best seat jumper
 Elite 11.20 Most costly cousin
 Elite 11.21 Pasty with the most spine
 Elite 11.22 Pasty with the ugliest hat
 Elite 11.23 Pasty with the ugliest hat
 Elite 11.24 Cutest cousin
 Elite 11.25 Pasty's hat looks most like it's owner - Cakes, \$200 to \$205
Best in Ring 2 Puppies - Cakes, \$200 to \$205 Sponsored by **BERRY VETERINARIAN CONC**

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