

NEWSLETTER



| Week 3 | Term 3

DATES TO REMEMBER

August

- 5 Book week incursion
- 5 Bike Ed
- 7 Cricket clinic
- 11 Science Week begins
- 11 Bullying No Way Week
- 12 Bike Ed
- 14 Science Week Rotations
- 18 PUPIL FREE DAY
- 19 Book Week begins/Bike Ed
- 19 SSO Week
- 21 Book Week parade
- 26 Bike Ed
- 29 PJ Day

September

- 1-22 Triskills
 - 4 Assembly (rm 3 hosting)
 - 4 School Disco
 - 5 SCHOOL CLOSURE
 - 18 SACA Cricket Clinic
 - 23 Aboriginal STEM congress
 - 26 Early Finish 2.10pm
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DEAR COMMUNITY,

Term 3!

A warm **welcome** to our new families who have joined the Flinders Park Primary School Community this term, in particular our 10 new Foundation families! Our new students have settled into school life impeccably, being very well supported and welcomed by our junior primary team and students. To our staffing team, we welcome Rebecca Bath in Science and Vanessa Toogood alongside Nat Wilksch in Rm 7 on a Wednesday. Our new leadership group have also had a really positive and cohesive start to the term and have been so impressed with the solid start to the term! Thank you to the community for so kindly welcoming me into the Principal position, I really cherish this community and am so grateful to have the opportunity to continue to lead teaching and learning at Flinders Park.

This term is shaping up to be very eventful! It has already been packed full of great learning activities for our students. To mention only a few, we have seen some great riding progress for our year 4-6 students who are completing the **Bike Education program** every Tuesday. Next week, if confident, they hit the local streets to put into practice the road rules that they have been learning. For our Foundation – Year 3 students, our **Book Week Incursion** on Tuesday kept us very well entertained with our guest performer, 'Mickster the Trickster'. Our **Cricket Clinics**, run by SA Sports School have also been a real hit amongst all students.

Over the next few weeks, we celebrate **Science Week**, **Bullying No Way week** and in week 5, **Book Week**. Staff and School Ambassadors have been hard at work planning some fun learning around the key themes. Don't forget to come along to our **Book Week Parade (9.10am on Thursday 21st August)** where students can dress up as a character from a Book, always a fun event. Please refer to the term calendar, sent out in week 1, for an overview of all our important dates this term.

Last week you received a **Class Newsletter and Term Overview** from all teachers, this offers a great talking point for you at home, outlining all the key learning that will be happening this term. I do encourage you to ask questions and talk with your children about what they have been learning at school, the overview can be a good starting point for this. Remember also, that teachers are available to answer your questions and clarify any information, you are able to connect through Seesaw, phone or in person.

On the 30th July we acknowledged our amazing OSHC (out of school hours care) educators for **OSHC Educators Day**. This is a valued service that we are able to offer our school community and are so thankful for our kind staff. If you would like to book in for our upcoming **Pupil Free Day (Mon 18th Aug)** this needs to happen by next **Mon 11th Aug** so that we can confirm if we have enough numbers to go ahead.

We are looking forward to a full term of wonderful learning opportunities.

Kind regards,

Cassie McCaffrey
Principal



MATHEMATICS IN RM 8!

Year 5/6 with Leah Katavatis

This term in Room 8, we've been learning all about Patterns and Algebra. We've been using BIDMAS – Brackets, Indices, Division, Multiplication, Addition and Subtraction to help us build and solve number sentences.

We've also been using multiplication, division, addition and subtraction to work out different rules in number patterns. One of our favourite activities was using different objects to make growing patterns. Then we rotated around the room and tried to figure out each other's rules. It was fun to test our problem solving skills and explain our thinking to our classmates!

We've also started learning about algebraic expressions and how to use letters to represent numbers. It was a bit tricky at first, but now we're getting the hang of writing and solving expressions using symbols like n , x and y . Algebra is helping us understand how to describe patterns in a smarter way!



RAKHI

Rakhi, also known as Raksha Bandhan, is a cherished festival celebrated predominantly in India and among Indian communities worldwide. This vibrant festival symbolises the bond of love, care, and protection between brothers and sisters. Anu Sharma, our First Language Maintenance Hindi and Punjabi teacher, has been working with her students to understand and appreciate this beautiful tradition.

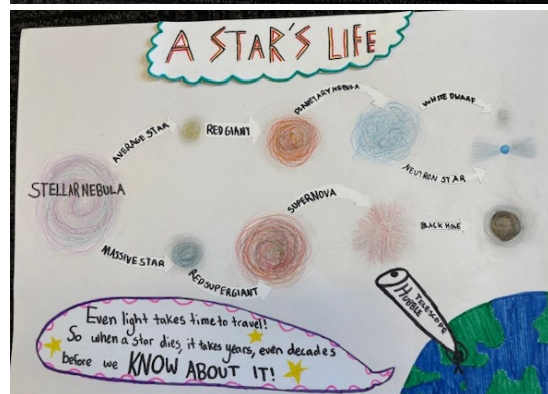
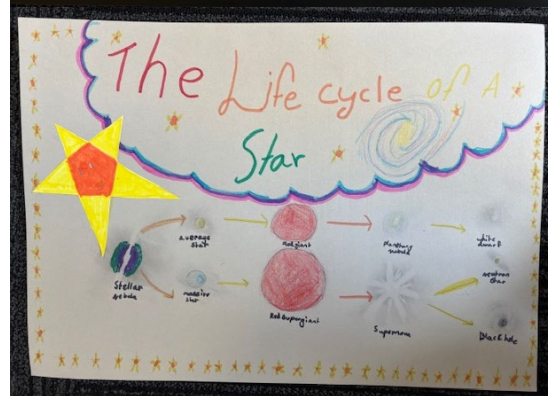
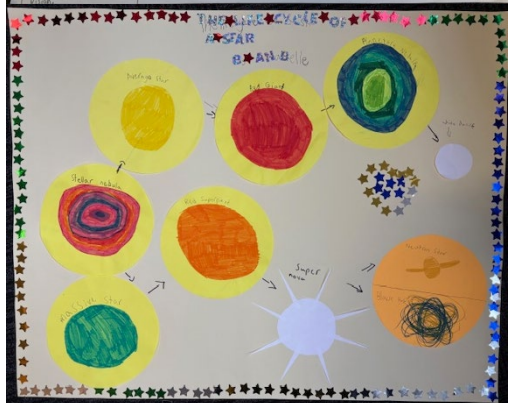
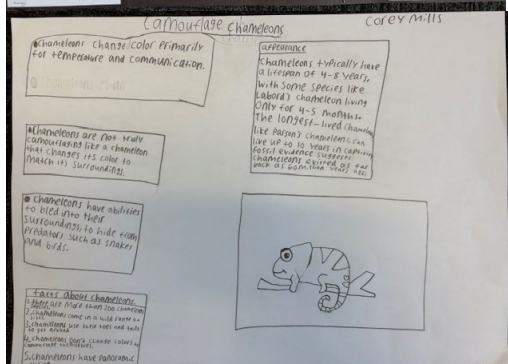
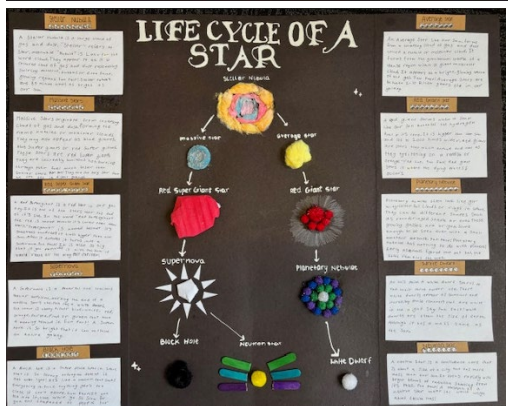
Wishing those who celebrate, a wonderful Rakhi!



UNIFORM SALE

With new stock on order, uniforms with the old logo (polos and jumpers) are now half price! Both logos will continue to be accepted as part of the school uniform and our colours remain the same, navy blue and white.





MARK OLIPHANT SCIENCE COMP

A huge congratulations to some of our year 5/6 students who volunteered their time to enter the Mark Oliphant Science Competition last week. Mark Oliphant was an Australian physicist who made many discoveries in the Science industry. Our students worked in their own time to illustrate their Science knowledge. Over 150 schools entered the competition with winners work displayed as part of the Science Alive Science show last weekend.

Well done to our budding scientists!



Bike Education & Cricket Clinics

Term 3 2025 - Community Calendar

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th
		Bike Ed Year 4-6 (includes RAA free bike check)			
2	28 th	29 th	30 th	31 st	1 st August
	Class newsletters & term overviews home	Bike Ed Year 4-6	OSHC Educators Day	Cricket clinics	
3	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
		Bike Ed Year 4-6 Book Week Incursion F-3	Rm 1&12 Variety excursion	Cricket clinics	Assembly – Rm 16 hosting
		Governing council			Whole school newsletter – Rm 8
4 Science Week	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th
	Science Week Bullying No Way week	Bike Ed Year 4-6 Science Week Bullying No Way week	Science Week Bullying No Way week	Science Week Activities / Rotations Bullying No Way week	Science Week Bullying No Way week
5 Book Week SSO Week	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd
	PUPIL FREE DAY	Bike Ed Year 4-6 Year 5/6 Knockout Basketball (selected students) Book Week SSO Week	Book Week SSO Week	Book Week – Parade (Dress up as a book character) SSO Week	Book Week SSO Week
6	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th	29 th
	District Athletics Day for selected students	Bike Ed Year 4-6			Pyjama Day
7 Royal Show	1 st September	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
	Triskills		Indigenous Literacy Day	Assembly – Rm 3	SCHOOL CLOSURE
		Governing council		Whole school newsletter – Rm 1&12 School Disco	
8	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
	Triskills			RUOK? Day Futsal Year 5/6	
9 Learning Conversations	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th
	Triskills			SACA Cricket Clinic F-4	
10 Learning Conversations	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th
	Triskills	Aboriginal STEM Congress			Early Finish 2.10pm
					Whole School Newsletter – Music/Japanese