

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

July 29th 2026



Growth.
Respect.
Inclusiveness
Fun.

AUGUST

Monday 10th

School Council meeting
5:30pm
District Athletics

Tuesday 11th

Education Support Staff
attending Autism
Conference in Melbourne

Friday 21st

Daffodil Day

Monday 24th

Book Week Parade after
assembly

Thursday 27th

Mad About Science
Incursion

Athletics Day Success

Our students had a fantastic day representing Nicholson Primary School at the Cluster Athletics Carnival. It was wonderful to see students demonstrating our school values by encouraging one another, showing determination and displaying excellent sportsmanship throughout the day.

Whether they were competing on the track, in field events or cheering on their teammates, every student should be proud of the way they participated and represented our school. A special thank you to our staff, parent volunteer and families who attended to support our students and help make the day such a success. Congratulations to all competitors, and we wish the students progressing to the next level of competition every success.

Foundation Students Celebrate 100 Days of School

Our Foundation students recently celebrated an exciting milestone—100 Days of School!

The day was filled with fun, hands-on learning activities centred around the number 100, giving students the opportunity to reflect on just how much they have learned and achieved since beginning their school journey.

Students enjoyed dressing up and participating in a range of engaging classroom activities. It was wonderful to celebrate the incredible growth our Foundation students have made in their first 100 days at school. We are so proud of their enthusiasm, resilience and the confidence they have developed as learners. Congratulations to our Foundation class on this special achievement!

Book Week will be celebrated later this term, with this year's theme, *Book an Adventure*. Our annual Book Week Parade is always a highlight of the school calendar, and we encourage students to start thinking about a costume inspired by their favourite book character. We look forward to seeing the creativity and enthusiasm of our students as we celebrate the joy of reading together.



Kind regards,

Sue Clague

We acknowledge the Gunai-Kurnai people the traditional owners for the land our school is built on. We pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



RECURRING EVENTS:

Breakfast Club:

Monday to Friday 8:30 – 9:00am

Lunch Orders:

Orders and payment into school or Nicholson General Store by Thursday morning.
Friday is lunch order day

Milo Club

Milo is available every day during Breakfast Club for \$1.00 per cup.

All money raised goes to the Kmart Wishing Tree at the end of the year.



Reading Awards

Happy Birthday!

Willow, Cruz, Will, Macie & Jack



Classroom News

Foundation

It has been a fantastic start to Term 3! We have hit the ground running with our new learning.

In phonics we have been learning our new sounds, Hh, Bb, Ff, Ll, Jj and Vv.

In writing we have been learning how to write a recount. We know that a recount is something that has already happened and not a made-up story.

In Maths we are learning about place value and numbers to 120. We are exploring how to build towers or ten and record our numbers in tens and ones.

Congratulations to everyone who came dressed up for our 100 days of school! It was a fantastic day, full of fun, learning and celebration for our hard work. Thank you to parents/carers for your ongoing support and effort in your child's learning journey.

Grade 1/2

We have started the *39 Storey treehouse* this week and continue to enjoy making links back to the *26 and 13 Storey treehouse* books, as well as looking out for any other reminders of The Faraway Tree along the way! It still amazes me just how many students in both Grades 1 and 2 want to read a chapter or a few pages each day in front of the group-very exciting to see! Our narrative writing has also flourished with students more enthusiastic about writing their own stories. We have learnt a little trick about clocks that make it easier to remember which hands are which. The longer word 'minute' only fits on the longer hand, and the shorter word 'hour' only fits on the shorter hand. This has enabled us to explore where the hands are for o'clock and half past with more accuracy.

Grade 3/4

We are continuing to enjoy reading our class novel, *Matilda*. As we read, we are learning more about the characters, adding interesting new words from the story to our vocabularies, and practising summarising the important events from each chapter. We have also been using sentences from the novel to learn about independent and dependent clauses, helping us to strengthen our understanding of sentence structure.

In Maths, we have been strengthening our understanding of time. We have been practising reading analogue clocks to the nearest minute and linking these times to how they are displayed on digital clocks. We are becoming more confident in switching between the two formats and using the correct time vocabulary.

Grade 5/6

In grade 5/6 we are learning about history through our class novel, "War Horse". We studied the morpheme "spect" meaning "to look or examine" and this week we are looking at the /k/ sound with graphemes "ch" and "que". We continue our work on summarising and making sure we include all key information into succinct sentences.

In Maths we are revising the box method in multiplication and working with identifying factors and multiples. We have also been studying patterns in times tables.

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100 Days of School







BOOK WEEK

PARADE 2026

24
AUGUST



MONDAY 24 AUGUST



9:00 AM



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AREA

Come along and celebrate **Book Week 2026** as our students bring their favourite book characters to life! ♥

A FEW REMINDERS:

- ★ Choose a costume inspired by a favourite book character.
- ★ Costumes can be simple, homemade or borrowed—there is no need to purchase anything special.
- ★ Please ensure students can move comfortably and safely in their costumes.

We look forward to seeing everyone at this fun community event and celebrating the joy of reading together! 🌟

BOOK WEEK PARADE

MONDAY 24 AUGUST | 9:00 AM | SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AREA



