## Megalong Public School



# NEWSLETTER 29th May 2020

Term 2, Week 5

Dear Megalong Families,

Welcome Back!

It is great to have students and families back at school after eight weeks! We have made a positive start this week with our new outdoor classroom lessons. It has been inspiring to watch teachers adapt their literacy and numeracy lessons for the outdoors. This term we will still have restrictions of excursions and visitors to our school. We are missing our community members who would regularily be visiting us. Our thoughts go out to members of the community which would be effected by the Covid19 in so many ways.

Staff have been busy over the last few weeks with professional learning. Mr Wolffs has attended the Robotics Conference. He has enjoyed learning about SPks and Sphero's programming. We have adopted strategies from attending Mount Victoria's learning day for Effective Reading in the classroom. In addition, I have implemented and completed the ARCO training. (Anti-Racism, Contact Officer).

This term we will continue to plan wonderful learning experiences for our students at Megalong Public School.

#### Kindergarten 2021!

We are currently in the process of finalising our 2021 Kindergarten Transition Program and have our Pre-school visits and Kinder Orientation dates are ready to go! Our Transition Program includes a planned Information afternoon, and Kindergarten Orientation, which will be held in Term 4. If you know of any families with a child looking to start Kinder in 2021, please encourage them to call in to the school and pick up an enrolment pack. We also offer personalised school tours to all prospective families and are happy to answer any questions parents may have about their child starting Megalong Public School. If you would like to book a school tour, please call the office on (02) 47879159.

Stephanie

Principal

## NOTE ROAD CLOSURE-

#### **3rd JUNE**

The Megalong Road will be closed between 8:30am-2:00pm on the 3rd June

School times for that day will be-8:30-2:30 (supervision from 8am)

Please allow travel time



## Dates to watch for ...

1st June— National Reconciliation Day

**5th June**— World Environment Day

- Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal

"RED DAY"

8th June— Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

**11th June**— Heritage Day—come dressed in

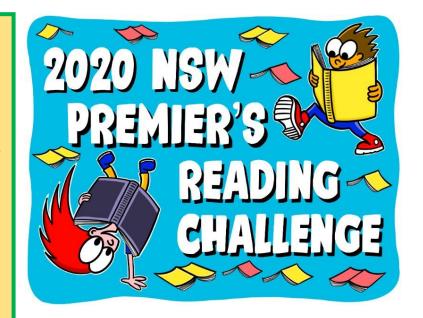
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2nd July— Naidoc Day

3rd July— Last day of Term 2



- ⇒ Apply for school drive subsidiary at Transport NSW
- ⇒ Return all Remote Learning books and reources
- ⇒ Schoolastic Bookclub orders due—19th June





# nExpo 2020

Community information sharing & networking

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24 2020

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# Outdoor Classroom Learning

### Megalong Outdoor Classroom Excites Returning Students

Students have enjoyed their return to school over the last few days. The school is excelling at implementing the curriculum in an outdoor classroom setting. The Megalong Valley Public School outdoor classroom is perfect for creative learning in literacy and numeracy. Teachers eagerly took the students on a nature quest, sharing stories, descriptive poetry and using the bush eucalypt setting as inspiration for writing. The outdoor learning space set amongst a bush habitat of tall standing eucalypts and home to various bird species. The school participates in various unique eco learning experiences. The children last year won the State Junior Landcare Team Award and have been excited to now strive for the National Award. Students are really enjoying spending class time every day outside in the fresh air, and the chance to learn in an outdoor classroom enriches their day.







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