



# ANDAMOOKA PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Where Hidden Gems Are Unearthed'

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To the families of Andamooka students

Firstly, I would like to extend a huge thank you to all our wonderful SSO workers at our school. Book Week is also SSO Week and one can overshadow the other at times. This year Miss Leesa assisted the students to create a lovely morning tea for our SSOs on Friday, where the children also presented handmade cards to show their appreciation of all the amazing effort and extra time that our SSOs invest in our students.

What a wonderful idea the Book Fair was! Well done Mel, for thinking of such a practical way to involve the local community and visitors, while upgrading our library resources.

I am writing this piece in Bronte's place as he is away at Partnership meetings and Professional Development. Bronte represented our school at two events locally when Chris Picton, Minister for Health and Wellbeing, visited Andamooka recently.

Thank you everyone for your support of our events recently, your participation adds excitement and enthusiasm for our students.

**Cheers, Fiona Wilson, Junior Primary Teacher**

Well, that's a wrap on Book Week and what a Book Week it was! Leading up to Book Week the students and staff all participated in the mammoth task of a collaborative colour-in picture, which was 32 A4 pages. The Library had a makeover a huge thank you to Fiona for coming in on your days off to help me, I wouldn't have gotten it done without you. The kids enjoyed after-school activities all week with scavenger hunts, book making, puzzles, arts, and crafts.

Wednesday was the start of our book fair with more than 1000 books up for grabs. We also had our parade to the cafe on Wednesday. What AMAZING costumes we had this year! Well done and thank you to the parents for your support in this. Thank you to all those that came and bought some books and gave them a new home. We were also lucky to have some amazing community members purchase some new resources for our library. On Friday, the Upper Primary buddied up with the Junior Primary to complete a book review on our new books. A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported our Book Week festivities.

**A special message from Miss Mel in the Library**



## News from our Upper Primary Class

**Term 3 has started amazingly in Upper Primary with many fun learning experiences.**

### Geography

In Upper Primary we often use construction projects to represent our learning. This term is no different as the students begin making paper mache world globes to represent their learning about states, capitals, continents, oceans and lines of longitude and latitude.



### Maths

This term in Maths is all about measurement. The students have started with telling the time (Year 3/4) and converting between 12 and 24 hour time (Year 5/6). It is great to see hands on learning happen as students explore these concepts. Up next students will be looking at measuring



angles, before moving on to length, capacity, mass and temperature.

### English

Students have produced some wonderful writing so far this term as they focus on “bumping up” their sentences by choosing harder words, writing more complex sentences, and editing their work carefully. Feel free to visit our classroom for a closer look!



### Food Technology

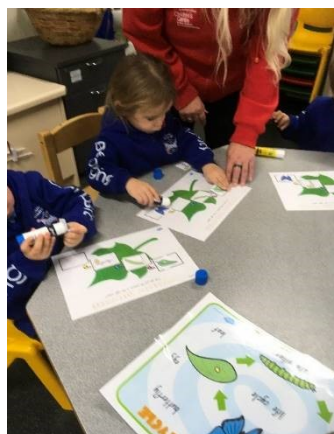
Last Friday the Upper Primary made fried rice. Sorry that none made it home, but it was just too delicious to save! It was great to see their enthusiasm for cooking (and eating!) and the way their skills in the kitchen have developed over the course of this year.





# News from our Occasional Care Program

## Occasional Care News



This term we have been learning about the life cycle of the caterpillar. The early learners have shown a great deal of enthusiasm for this subject, while continuing to develop their cutting, pasting, numeracy and creativity skills. Everyone was super excited to be able to take part in the book week costume parade this year. We had a Dinosaur, a Big Bad Wolf from The Three Little Pigs, a Blues Brother and myself as Where's Wally.



## Book Week & Science Week



We are loving our new reading space in the School Community Library (Thanks Miss Mel).

Dressing as our favourite book characters for Book Week and parading to the café was heaps of fun!

We also got to learn about plants and talk with Scientists from ARC (Aust Research Centre) - they visited our school to talk about their project Plants for Space. We've made our own terrariums to learn how plants grow and what environment they need to grow and thrive. (maybe for a trip to Mars!).



## Important Dates

**Tues, 26th Aug**

Term 3 Week 6  
Sports Day Woomera

**Fri, 5th Sept**

Term 3 Week 7  
School Closure

**Thurs, 11th Sept**

Term 3 Week 8  
Pupil Free Day

**Mon, 15th Sept**

Term 3 Week 9  
1/2 Pupil Free Day  
School End 12 Noon