



Newsletter

WEEK 8 TERM 2

16 JUNE 2016

CALENDAR DATES

6 JUNE—3 JULY

Community of Small Schools Art Exhibition Opens at the Grafton Gallery

21 JUNE

School Athletics carnival at Tucabia

23 JUNE

Small School's Spelling Bee

28 JUNE

Mobile Library

20 JULY

Small Schools Athletics—Junction Hill

12 AUGUST

Rescue Day
Red & Yellow Mufti Day

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

CARNIVAL —TUCABIA

Our combined athletics carnival is next Tuesday, 21 June 2016 at Tucabia Sportsground. Students will be travelling by bus to Tucabia and return to school in time to catch the bus home as usual. Parents are welcome to attend the carnival which is a fun day for all. Cowper PS is running a canteen on the day, if your child/children have not pre-ordered lunch they will need to bring their own. Please return the permission note and \$5 to cover transport as soon as possible.

BUCKET FILLERS

This year we are continuing our character development program called Bucket Filling.

Bucket filling is an easy-to-understand concept: Everyone carries an invisible

bucket that holds our good thoughts and feelings. When our buckets are full, we feel happy and when our buckets are empty, we feel sad.

Children quickly understand that they can fill buckets when they do and say things that are kind, considerate, caring, and respectful. They also learn that when they are mean, inconsiderate, uncaring, or disrespectful, they dip into buckets and remove those good feelings. Even the youngest child understands that actions and words can either fill a bucket or dip into it.

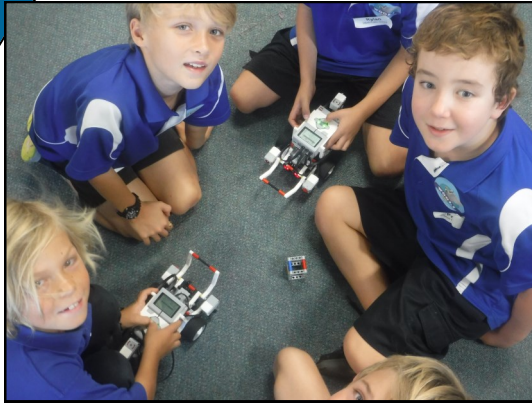
During this school year we are encouraging, reminding, and recognising everyone's efforts to be bucket fillers at home, at school, and everywhere they go. At school students have cards that contain 12 buckets. Each time a child fills a card they work towards a bucket filling award. 1 card = bronze award, 3 cards = silver award and 5 cards = gold award.

We are excited about this program and look forward to your support.

Mrs Hummelstad.



Yr 3 BOYS MASTER ROBOTIC POWER



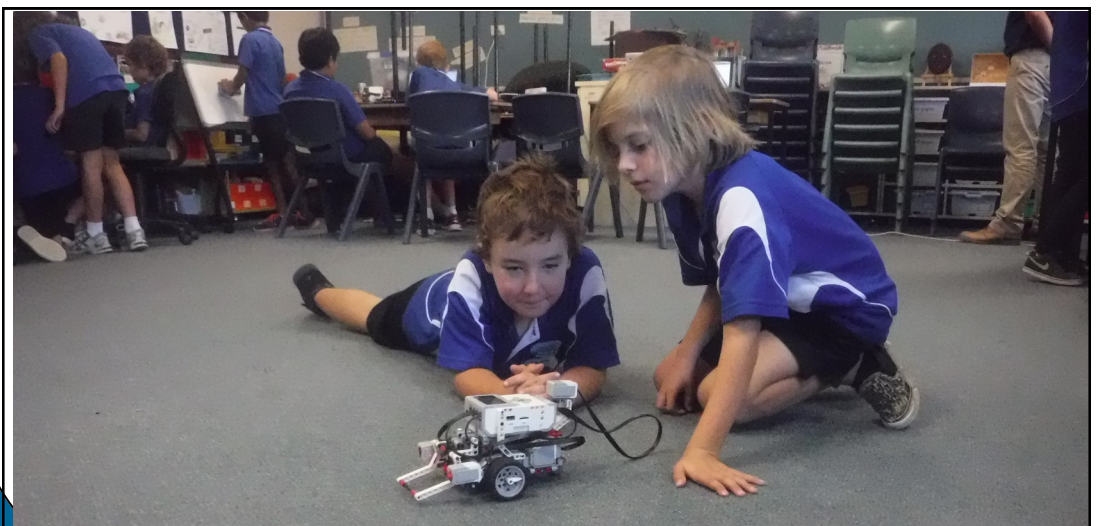
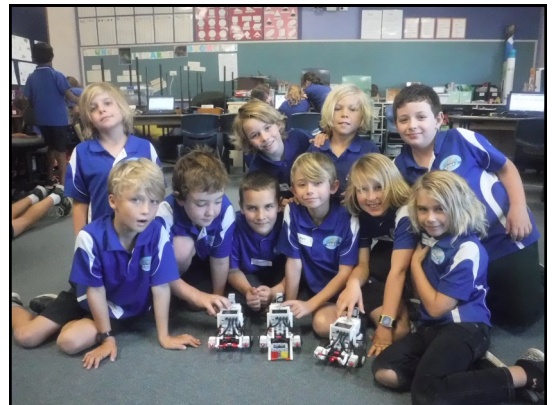
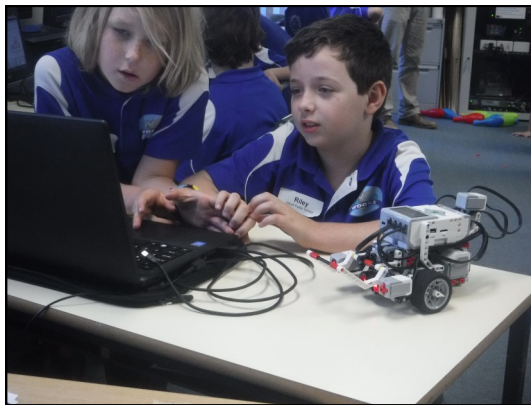
ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Last Thursday students from Year 3 travelled by Minibus to Empire Vale Public School to participate in a Robotics Workshop.

During the day we learnt how to program robots, we could move objects and control the robots speed. We learnt how to program our robots to turn in different directions, we could spin and do one wheel turns just like a tank.

Some of the challenges we participated in included moving objects, ten pin bowling with robots and a game called the ridiculous race.

Our favourite activity was the synchronized dance, we programmed three robots to perform a complicated dance. We are now going to add music to our robot dance video.



4/5/6 CLASS NEWS

We have begun reading for 10 minutes before every session. Students have chosen a novel that they are reading in class. We have begun reading conferences to find out what each child thinks about reading in general and more specifically the books they are reading. These conferences help students to identify genre they prefer and reading strategies needed in our class.

Students have already indicated a positive shift towards reading. I have attached a brochure on how to help your child with reading at home.



FRIDAY LUNCHES - 24 JUNE 2016

My child/children_____ would like to order Bolognese Beef & Vege Pasta. I have included \$2.50 payment per serve with the order.

ORDERS NEED TO BE IN BY TUESDAY FOR CATERING PURPOSES.

THANK YOU :)

Join us for a free rainforest walk on Susan Island



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SUNDAY 3 JULY 2016 HOURLY BOAT TRIPS 9 AM TO 12 NOON

Join us for a guided walk through this rare lowland rainforest remnant. Learn about its importance and the efforts underway to protect this jewel of the Clarence. Following each tour, there will be an opportunity to meet the 'Friends of Susan Island' who volunteer their time to look after both Susan Island and Elizabeth Island. Meet at the Prince Street boat ramp where the SES boat will ferry participants to Susan Island.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. PHONE: 02 6641 1500 OR

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