Student of the Week
This week’s Student of the Week award goes to Felicity Macauley. Felicity has been noticed for her huge writing improvements and application to all class tasks. Felicity is displaying more concentration and focused work habits in the classroom and she consistently shows a caring nature towards her peers in class. Congratulations Felicity on your excellent efforts at school, both academically and socially.

Art Spectacular
Our incredible, annual Art Spectacular will be held this year on Monday 25th October. Please reserve this date on your calendar – you will not want to miss it!

All students will need to be in attendance for the evening presentation. Invitations for your family and friends will be sent home this week, so you can spread the word during the holidays.

Naplan
Due to the small number of students sitting the exam, I cannot really discuss the results due to privacy issues, but all parents have now received their reports and would be very proud of their children’s efforts. Writing was identified as our students’ strength which is pleasing as our Learning Community’s focus this year has been writing. Staff have attended a number of professional learning workshops on writing and the students have had author visits and video conferences to enhance their writing. Once again strong academic results can be attributed to the individual attention our students receive with high staff/student ratios for the Key Learning Areas. Currently this is made possible by our National Partnerships funding, which will continue for another three years.

K-2 News topics
This week’s topic is ‘places I’ve visited’. Holiday photos may be a help or just a reminder of some events that happened while you were away.

Canteen Duty
Next term our first lucky parent is K Macauley
Thank You’s

A big thank you to Doug, Poppy and Corey for a speedy response to my appeal in erecting our amazing new Table Tennis table. It was quite a team effort and the assembly took close to two hours, but the result was very impressive. The students have had lots of fun playing Table Tennis this week and are sharing the equipment very well. Perhaps we could organise a parent/student/staff challenge day next term? Let me know if you are interested!!

Another big thank you to Merv for attaching the Poppy art piece to our new library, I think you will agree that it looks very attractive in that spot. Thanks also Merv for the other odd jobs you helped out with last week.

Finally, thank you to those who have heard my request for extra help in the mornings to hear children read before school. We have seen a couple of new faces this week and it really helps. Please encourage friends or family to help out if they can spare the time.
Thursday Masterchef Challenge
This Thursday after our pre-schoolers have had their visit, we will hold a Junior Masterchef Challenge as a reward for the students' hard work this term. Could all students please bring in $3 each to contribute to the ingredients used. The challenge will remain a secret until Thursday! Thanks.

The Latest In Magpie Swooping Protection

The Scientwists
Helicopters and Borers
What are Munchies, Wind Blowers, Hitchhikers, Floaters and Exploders? Mother Nature has been incredibly creative in her seed designs. Children discovered amazing seed antics and dispersal mechanisms and then made and flew their own helicopter seed.

Mighty Murray Mural
Children created a fantastic river ecosystems mural, highlighting our human impacts and using recycled materials