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■ 2019 ■ Term 2 ■ Weeks 3 and 4

Calendar	
Term 2, Week 3	NAPLAN WEEK (Years 3 and 5)
Tuesday 14 May	NAPLAN Language and Writing
Wednesday 15 May	NAPLAN Reading
Thursday 16 May	NAPLAN Numeracy and first Assembly at 2:45pm
Friday 17 May	Small Schools' Athletics Carnival at Nangus PS, Illabo Melodrama
Saturday 18 May	Last night of Melodrama and Federal Election – don't forget to vote!
Term 2, Week 4	
Wednesday 22 May	PSC Leadership Day at JHS – Years 5 and 6
Friday 24 May	First Basketball lesson 1:45pm
Term 2, Week 5	
Thursday 30 May	Connection Country Schools WiFi installed, Assembly 2:45pm and Principal's Network Meeting
Friday 31 May	Cross Country Carnival at Murrumburrah and Basketball for remaining students
Term 2, Week 6	
Thursday 6 June	Riverina Touch Trials in Griffith and P&C Meeting, 6:30pm
Friday 7 June	Basketball continues
Term 2, Week 7	
Monday 10 June	Public Holiday – Queen's B/Day
Thursday 13 June	Riverina Cross Country Carnival
Friday 14 June	Basketball continues

Feature Photo



Maeve in the playground - Imagine, Believe, Achieve

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A message from Meg

I hope all mothers and grandmothers had a wonderful day on Sunday and hope you enjoyed the chocolate balls the children lovingly made for you.

Today saw the start of The National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Year 3 and Year 5. The students completed Language Conventions and Writing assessments today. Tomorrow is Reading and Thursday is Numeracy. NAPLAN is a useful tool for schools to measure student learning progress and provide information for parents on how their child is progressing through school.

Our learning habit for this week is **Making Links.** When we make links we seek connections, coherence, relevance and meaning between new ideas and things we already know.

Next week we will focus on **Open-mindedness** and learn the importance of being open and considerate of the opinions and actions of others and how being interested in other people and their perspectives can help us learn.

On Thursday, after school, I am attending a professional learning workshop in Wagga from 4:00-7:00pm. The workshop is called "A closer look at guided reading" and is presented by highly experienced and sought after educators from New Zealand.

Thursday Assembly

Our first fortnightly Assembly will commence on **Thursday, 16 May** at **2:45pm**. All very welcome.

The following assembly will be on Thursday, 30 May.

Athletics Carnival at Nangus

Our Junee District Small Schools' Athletics Carnival is being held on **Friday 17 May** at the **Nangus Hall Recreation Grounds** please be there before **9:00am**. The day commences officially at 9:15am with the March Past.

Please return outstanding permission notes.

Premier's Sporting Challenge (PSC) Learning to Lead Day

The PSC Primary Schools' Learning to Lead day at Junee HS is on **Wednesday, 22 May** for our **Year 5 and 6** students. Transport will be by school bus (thanks

Ronnie!), leaving school at 9:10am and returning for the bus run in the afternoon. Please return outstanding permission notes.

Professional Learning

On Thursday, Miss Callow and Mrs Reynolds will be working with Nada Pokoney who is a Regional L3 Trainer. We will be looking at the K-1-2 literacy session and in particular guided reading, spelling and writing.

Sporting Schools – Basketball

The Sporting School's basketball program, to be held on Fridays at 1:45pm for six weeks, starts in week 4 on **Friday 24 May**.

CDPSSA Cross Country

On **Friday, 31 May** selected students will be competing in the District Cross Country Carnival, being held at the **Murrumburrah Showground** with students needing to be there by **9:15am**. A walk the track will be held at approximately 9:30am with races starting at 10:15am. Canteen facilities will be available on the day. A permission note is attached for attendees. Riverina notes will be handed out on the day for the first 5 placegetters in each age group.

Woolworths Earn and Learn 2019

A reminder that we are collecting stickers until **Tuesday 25 June.** They can be given to your children to collect on a supplied



sticker sheet. Once it's completed, bring the sticker sheet to school or alternatively, drop stickers into our collection box at the following Woolworth stores: The Market Place, Gurwood Street or Cootamundra.

Riverina Touch Trials

Congratulations Sadie and Asha who have both been selected to be part of the CDPSSA touch football team travelling to Griffith on **Thursday 6 June** for the Riverina trials. Good luck girls!



P&C News

Thank you to everyone who helped with catering at the Melodrama last weekend. Feedback from the weekend was that the food was delicious and the catering very successful!

The next meeting is to be held on **Thursday 6 June**, 6:30pm at the Illabo Hotel. All welcome!





A Quick Bite...

Autumn Play

Before the weather gets too cold and wet, why not make the most of the autumn weather.

- Go for a colour walk find different objects of the same colour or collect a rainbow of colours
- Build an obstacle course outside using things from nature



- Act out a favourite children's book such as "Going on a Bear Hunt"
- Go for an early morning walk and look at spider webs shining with dew
- Play with bubbles on a windy day, watch the bubbles fly
- · Go for a bike ride
- · Paint an autumn canvas
- Make some wind chimes from nature

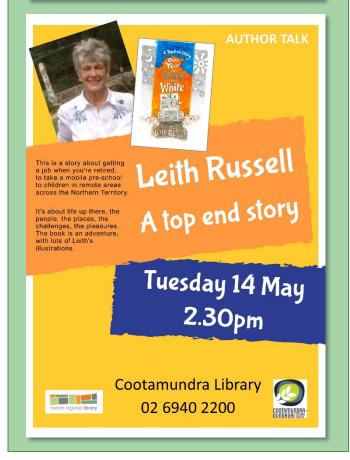
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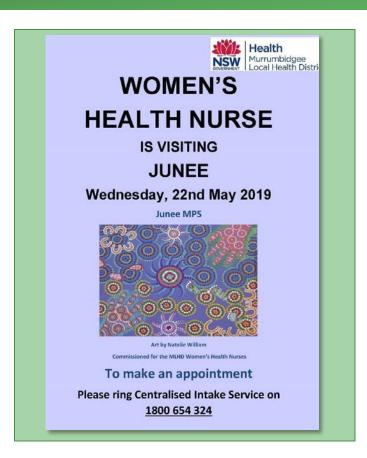
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Live Life Well @ School











Octopuses have three hearts, nine brains, and blue blood

Two of the hearts work exclusively to move blood beyond the animal's gills, while the third keeps circulation flowing for the organs. When the octopus swims, the organ heart stops beating, which explains why these creatures prefer to crawl rather than swim (it exhausts them).

An octopus also has nine brains — well, sort of. There's one 'main' brain where all the analysis and decision making takes place and eight ancillary brains — one at the base of each arm — that function as preprocessors for all the information obtained by that arm. Two-thirds of an octopus' neurons reside in its arms, which can independently figure out how to open a shellfish, for instance, while the main brain is busy doing something else.

Our blood is red due to the fact that it contains ironbased hemoglobin to transport oxygen to cells. Octopuses, on the other hand, use the copper-based cyanoglobin, which performs the same function, albeit less efficiently — this makes octopuses have less stamina than you might expect.



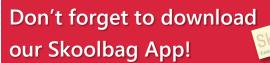












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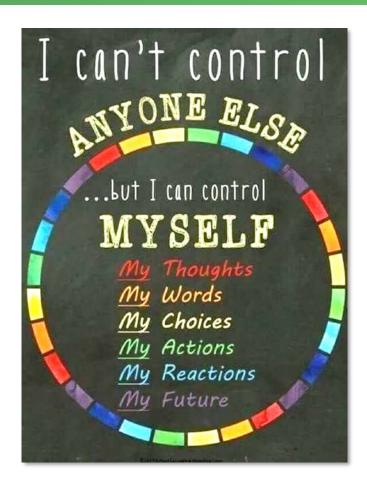




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Kinder Transition Program for students starting in 2020

At Illabo Public School we understand that a child's first year at school is an important one for both the child and our families. Our school works closely with our local preschools to ensure a smooth transition to school.

Kinder Transition days are an ideal opportunity for your child to explore our wonderful school and begin their "Life Long Learning". The program will be on the following days:

- Two half days in Term 3 Friday of Weeks 8 and 9 (13 and 20 September) from 9:05am to 12:05pm.
- In Term 4, the full day transition program will begin, running every Friday from Week 3 to Week 7 (1 to 29 November) from 9:05am to 3:05pm.

Further information please phone the school on (02) 6924 5475.