



**SOUTH PADBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Pursuit of Knowledge and Friendship

10 August 2023 Edition #7

Kookaburra Chronicles

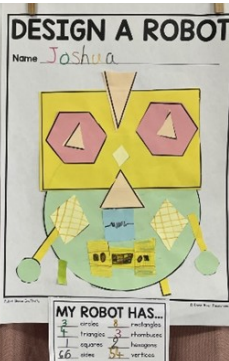
Year 2 Robots and Science

The children in TA3 and TA4 have been reading and writing about robots. They have read robot poems and learnt a story called "No-Bot- The Robot With No Bottom!" for Talk 4 Writing.

The children are also reading "The Iron Man" by Ted Hughes.



My Robot
I told my robot to do as I say.
He sighed and said, "No you have to pay!"
I told my robot to sit on the mat.
He said, "Okay fine" I'll do that!"
I told my robot to give me money.
He said, "Stop being so funny!"
I told my robot to do my homework.
He said, "Hey stop being a jerk!"



My Robot
By Jasper
I told my robot to do as I say.
He sighed and said "Sorry, you'll have to pay!"
I told my robot to do my shopping.
He said "No, I'm meeting the King!"
I told my robot to do his job.
He said "No, I will sob!"
I told my robot to get in the queue.
He said "No I've got other things to do!"
I told my robot 'cause he's rude!
Which put him in a worse mood!

In Science the children are learning about the forces of Push and Pull. They have learnt about Rube Goldberg machines. Rube Goldberg was a scientist who invented very complicated machines to perform very simple tasks.

We have also made rockets which can be launched by pushing air through a straw and robots which can move by pulling a string.





Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 3. We have unfortunately started the term with a wave of illness and absence amongst our students, (up to 40 students a day) which has included COVID, Influenza A and B, and some gastro like symptoms. We ask families to please be vigilant with hygiene and monitor your child if they are starting to feel unwell.

Swimming lessons were a huge success, and the students proudly maintained their enthusiasm despite the weather. Craigie Leisure Centre staff and the swimming instructors have told the school that our students were the best behaved and most well-mannered school they have had all year. They loved teaching our students, which was great to hear.

Open Night was a successful evening despite the weather. I thought the night had a real student focus feel, as there were no competing distractions for families, so it was all about children and their classrooms. There was so many smiling, proud and excited young faces. The Book fair was a huge success, with more money raised than previous years. Congratulations to Mel Moffet, Mrs De Luca our librarian, and the band of merry volunteers who offered to 'be involved' and helped bring books into our students lives on the night.

Our Tiny Forest which is part of the Miyawaki Forest Outreach Program that Dr Grey Coupland undertakes with our students is one of three finalists in the Innovation in Citizen Science category of the National Australian Museum Eureka Prizes. The Eureka Prizes are awarded annually by the Australian Museum, Sydney, to recognise individuals and organisations who have contributed to science and the understanding of science in Australia. The award winners will be announced on the 23rd of August.

Our School Community Charter focus area this term is 'Be Involved'. For parents this may look like volunteering at school in any small way, working in partnership with staff and each other, supporting the P and C, attending school functions or encouraging your children to have a go at something new, or help out others in getting a job done. This is particularly relevant as we head towards our Faction carnivals, which requires both students and parents to be involved. Keep an eye out for Connect notices or Facebook posts asking for volunteers to do something small or pitch in to make the day a success for our students.

As previously mentioned, the school was successful in gaining some project funding to promote reconciliation in schools. Mrs Tye has engaged an indigenous artist who has created panels of the 6 Noongar seasons for the school. He will be bringing the panels into school this week and each class will be helping the artist finish off the panels with their own small addition. The panels will be mounted on the wall above the bike racks.

Congratulations to Grace H from TA 13 on winning the school's 'Be the Change' Award at last week's assembly. What a remarkable and empathetic student who truly impacted another student with her empathy and kindness.

The school would very much appreciate if community members could keep an eagle eye on the school if passing by, over weekends and of evenings. We do have a group of local children who frequent the site and leave behind drug and smoking paraphernalia and rubbish many weekends which are having to be cleaned up by others. If you see anyone on the school site and you are suspicious of their behaviour, please call Education Security on 1800 177 777.

Don't forget to check out our school website. We are regularly updating information on the site, and there is some great educational information for parents under the 'Learning at Home' tab. We have added information about Triple P Positive Parenting courses, which are free and online. We encourage any families looking for extra information or support with parenting to check out these highly regarded courses. Please click on the link to our school website: <http://southpadburyprimaryschool.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home/parenting-support/>

Finally, congratulations to the P and C on what was a very successful Quiz Night earlier in the term. What a wonderful opportunity for parents to get together socially in the spirit of having fun, 'being involved', and supporting the school, which is much appreciated.

Happy parenting!

Cass Disisto
Principal



Merit Certificates

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★ Congratulations to the following students ★
★ who received merit awards at our assembly ★
★ on Thursday 3 August 2023 ★

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PP1: Alexander A
Layla U
Cody T
Emily H

PP2: Regina L
Poppy L
Felix F

TA1: Bodhi M
Harriet B

TA2: Roisin O
Chloe S
Alice J

TA3: Harper W
Savannah M
Harper E

TA4: Ariella Z
Lola B
Daniel O

TA6: Zara P
Riley S
Harlen N

TA7: Jai B

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TA8: Ayyan S
Saskia S
Rounak R
Jack C

TA9: Emma S
Martha L
Jaxon O

TA12: Lily K
Kelia K
Flynn P
Scarlett D

TA13: Olivia D
Amaya H
Luke E
Ryan A

TA10: Cody K
Ashton V
Lily G
Kyrach G

TA11: Charley B
Kai H

Music: Lily G
Cas A

Indonesian: Jack C

Health: Felicity H

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Friday 4 August was Principal's Day. Our Year 6 leaders made a presentation to each of our fantastic Principals at our Community Assembly last Thursday.

Our school and community extend our thanks to each of you for all that you do in leading our school.

Special Thanks to Mrs Williams for her work in making the canvas, bouquets and treats presented.



Interschool Cross Country

Congratulations to our South Padbury Team who came a very creditable 2nd behind Hillarys at the Whitfords District Cross Country. All year group teams performed well.

Year 3 Girls – 2nd

Year 3 Boys - 3rd

Year 4 Girls – 3rd

Year 4 Boys – 1st

Year 5 Girls – 4th

Year 5 Boys - 1st (with Hillarys)

Year 6 girls – 3rd

Year 6 Boys 5th

Best performances

Stevie V, Lachlan S, Olive P, Harry Frost, Vann S, Hector W, Scilla B, Kaley D

The Captains were Scilla B and Mason C

Many thanks to Mel Frost and Alison Stanley for being officials at the Carnival and to Mike Maxted for taking, erecting and taking down the school tent at McDonald Reserve.



WEEK 7

ATHLETICS FACTION CARNIVAL 2023

Jumps and Throws – Wednesday 30th August
Time TBC

Athletics Friday 1st September 09.00 -2.30pm

Parent help would be much appreciated. Please contact Sue Wiener by email if you are able to assist. Susan.Wiener@education.wa.edu.au

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Education Security: 9264 4771 or
9264 4632



Dates to put in your diary....

Friday 18 August	YR5/6 Choir One Big Voice Excursion
Thursday 24 August	Book Week Parade
Friday 25 August	YR3 Zoo Excursion
Monday 28 August	KA Incursion West OZ Wildlife
Wed 30 August	Faction Jumps/Throws
Wed 30 August	Father's Day Stall (Whole school)
Thursday 31 August	Father's Day Stall KB
Thursday 31 August	KB West OZ Wildlife Incursion
Friday 1 September	Faction Athletics Carnival

Students Departing SPPS 2024

If you do not intend for your child to continue at South Padbury for 2024, for our forward planning could you please let the front office know. You can contact us via phone on 6206 2250, in person or by email, southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au

If you have a potential work transfer or house move, please let us know so we are aware of this possibility.

Wanted - Cross Walk Attendant Warburton Ave

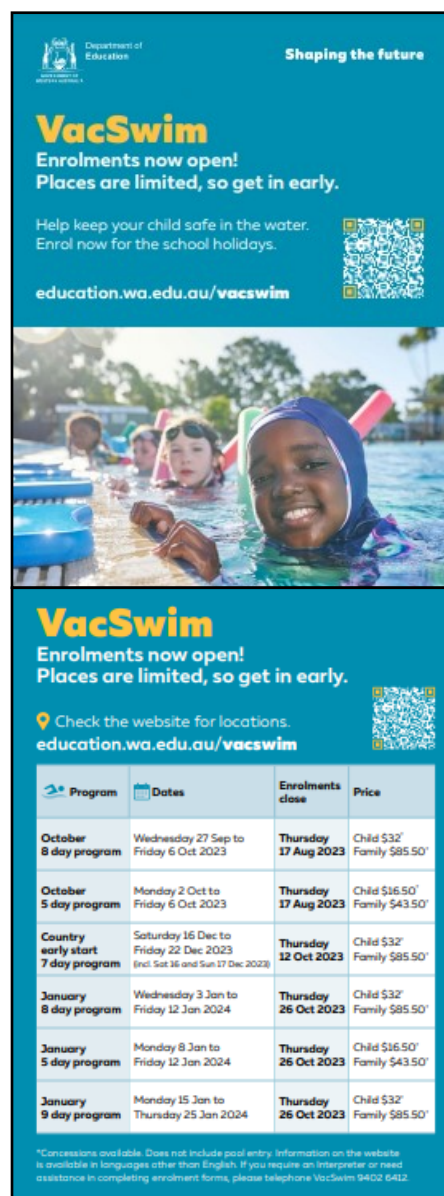
Following the recent retirement of our long time cross walk attendant on Warburton Avenue, the Police Department have been unable to get a replacement. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this position, please let them know.



THE WA POLICE FORCE WANT YOU!

Your school crossing is in need of traffic warden.

If you or someone you know who lives in the local area is interested in assisting your school community, call the children's crossings unit on 6274 8731 or go to <http://www.police.wa.gov.au/Traffic/Childrens-Crossings-Unit/Traffic-Wardens> for more information and apply now.



VacSwim
Enrolments now open!
Places are limited, so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water.
Enrol now for the school holidays.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

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Program	Dates	Enrolments close	Price
October 8 day program	Wednesday 27 Sep to Friday 6 Oct 2023	Thursday 17 Aug 2023	Child \$32' Family \$85.50'
October 5 day program	Monday 2 Oct to Friday 6 Oct 2023	Thursday 17 Aug 2023	Child \$16.50' Family \$43.50'
Country early start 7 day program	Saturday 16 Dec to Friday 22 Dec 2023 (incl Sat 16 and Sun 17 Dec 2023)	Thursday 12 Oct 2023	Child \$32' Family \$85.50'
January 8 day program	Wednesday 3 Jan to Friday 12 Jan 2024	Thursday 26 Oct 2023	Child \$32' Family \$85.50'
January 5 day program	Monday 8 Jan to Friday 12 Jan 2024	Thursday 26 Oct 2023	Child \$16.50' Family \$43.50'
January 9 day program	Monday 15 Jan to Thursday 25 Jan 2024	Thursday 26 Oct 2023	Child \$32' Family \$85.50'

*Concessions available. Does not include pool entry. Information on the website is available in languages other than English. If you require an interpreter or need assistance in completing enrolment forms, please telephone VacSwim 9402 6412.