



Dillbadin

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Growing through learning



INSIDE, YOU WILL FIND:

Nights of Reading

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Award winners

Important Dates

From Our Principal

Penelope Harris

Welcome back to another great week at Dillbadin Primary School!

It has been wonderful to see our students enthusiastically participating in **Gecko Sport** sessions with Coach Megan. The smiles, teamwork and willingness to have a go have been fantastic to see, and we're looking forward to more fun next week as we move into our gymnastics program.

Next week we also welcome **Mr Jones** back to school. I'm sure many students will be keen to hear all about his trip to America, and we look forward to having him back as part of the Dillbadin team.

2027 Foundation Enrolments

Planning for our 2027 Foundation enrolments is already underway! If you have a child starting school in 2027, or know a family looking for a caring, inclusive and high-quality primary school, we'd love to welcome them to **Dillbadin Primary School**.

The best way to experience our school is by booking a personalised tour. Families can visit our classrooms, meet our staff and students, and see what makes Dillbadin such a special place to learn.

To book a tour, please contact the school office.



Home Reading Challenge!

One of our students has now reached an incredible **150 nights of home reading**—what a fantastic achievement! If one student can do it, we know everyone can. Come on, families, let's make home reading part of the nightly routine!

Attendance Matters

As we settle into the new term, we've noticed an increase in students arriving after the start of the school day. A reminder that our school day now begins with **Morning Movement at 8:55 am**, so students should be at school and ready to participate by this time. Morning Movement is an important part of our daily routine, helping students prepare for a positive and productive day of learning.

While we understand that appointments and unexpected events do happen, regular late arrivals and early departures mean students miss valuable learning time and important classroom routines. Being at school every day and arriving on time helps children feel settled, connected and ready to learn. It also supports friendships, confidence and academic progress.

Did you know?

Attendance below 85% places students at risk of not meeting expected learning outcomes and can impact their ability to build and maintain friendships.

Attendance between 85% and 89% means students are missing a significant amount of learning and may find it difficult to keep up with classroom learning.

Thank you for supporting your child's education by making attendance and punctuality a priority. If your family is experiencing challenges that are affecting your child's attendance, please don't hesitate to reach out; we're here to support you.

School Uniform

At **Dillbadin Primary School**, wearing the correct school uniform every day is an expectation for all students.

Our school uniform consists of:

- Navy shorts or pants or skirt
- A Dillbadin Primary School logo polo shirt
- A Dillbadin Primary School hoodie or bomber jacket
- The Dillbadin Primary School summer dress

We have noticed an increasing number of students attending school out of uniform. While we understand there may occasionally be exceptional circumstances, students are expected to wear the full school uniform each day.

Wearing the school uniform is about much more than clothing. It promotes a sense of belonging, school pride and connectedness, helping students feel part of the Dillbadin community. It also supports an inclusive environment by reducing differences between students and making it easy to identify members of our school when on excursions and participating in community events.

We appreciate the support of our families in ensuring students arrive at school each day wearing the correct uniform. If your family is experiencing difficulties obtaining uniform items, please contact the school office so we can work with you to provide support.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of our school. I hope you enjoy this week's newsletter.

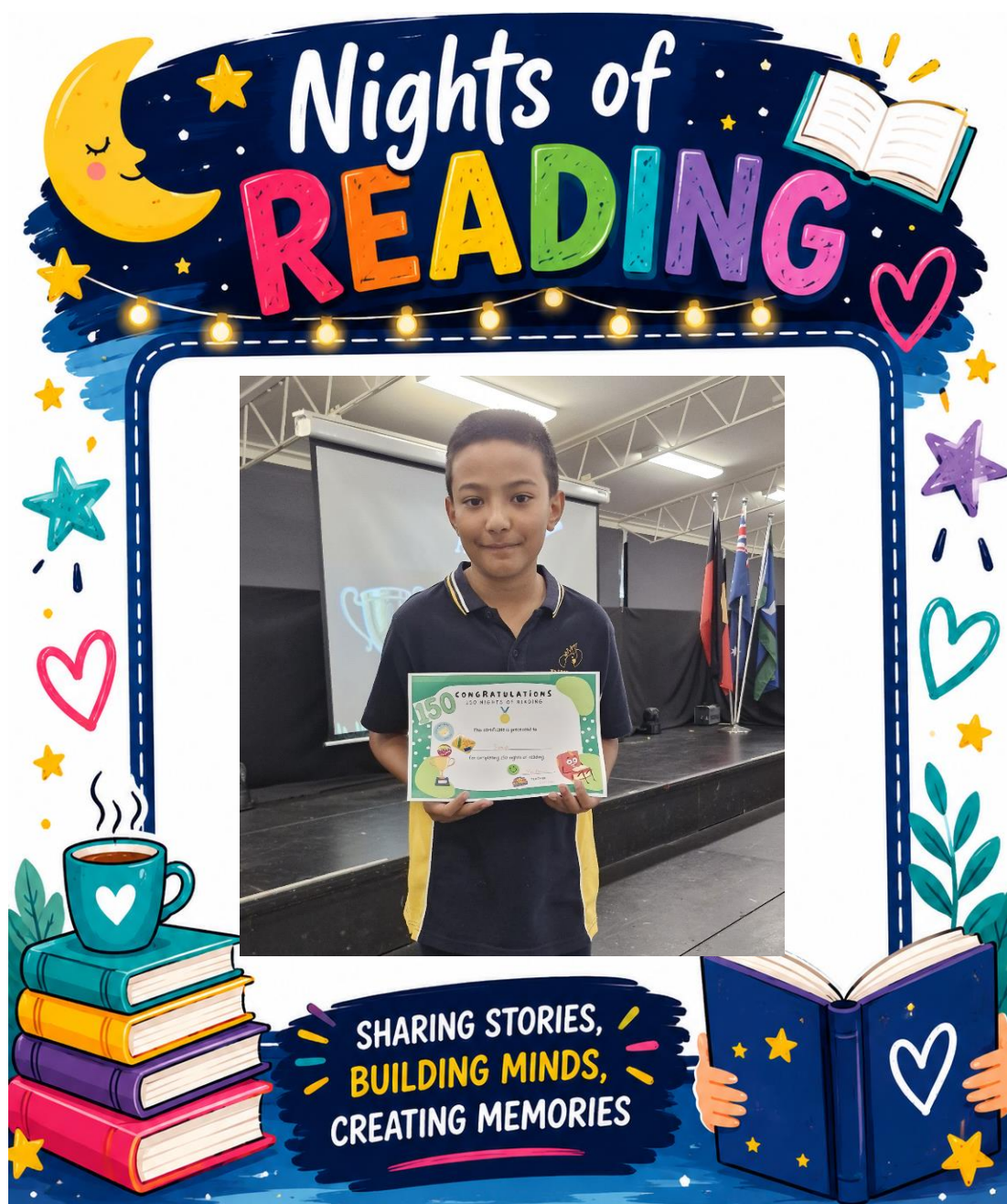
Penelope



Nights of Reading Awards

150 Nights

Samip



The Importance of READING Every Day

Just
15 MINUTES
each day
can make a
BIG
difference!



Reading at home builds confidence, curiosity and success — **at school and in life.**



WHY DAILY READING MATTERS



**Builds
Vocabulary**



**Improves
Fluency**



**Strengthens
Comprehension**



**Develops
Imagination**



**Supports Success
Across All Areas**

TIPS FOR READING AT HOME



Find a quiet,
comfortable space



Set a regular
time each day



Let your child
choose books
they enjoy



Ask questions
and chat about
the story



Celebrate their
effort and
progress!



Thank you for supporting
your child's reading journey.
*Together, we can help every
child thrive!*



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DILLBADIN WINTER WALK TO SCHOOL!

FRIDAY
17TH JULY

FRIDAY
31ST JULY

FRIDAY
14TH AUGUST

FRIDAY
28TH AUGUST

≡ Fresh air. Friendly chats. Start the day strong. ≡



MEET US AT

Genista Reserve

8:20AM

Let's walk together!

MEET US AT

Woolworths

8:30AM

Join us for the rest of the walk!

MEET US AGAIN AT

Genista Reserve

8:40AM

See you on the way back!



Walk to school, get **stamps** and earn a **prize**!



HEALTHY KIDS,
HAPPY KIDS!

Growing through learning

MILO MONKEY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY!

A Wild Celebration in Juniors

Last week our Junior classroom was transformed into a jungle of fun as we celebrated **Milo Monkey's Birthday Party!**

Students arrived dressed in a range of creative animal-themed accessories and costumes, helping to create a vibrant and exciting atmosphere.

The day was filled with laughter, teamwork and memorable learning experiences.



LEARNING THROUGH CELEBRATION

Students worked together to create a giant birthday banner, practising letter recognition, handwriting and collaboration skills.

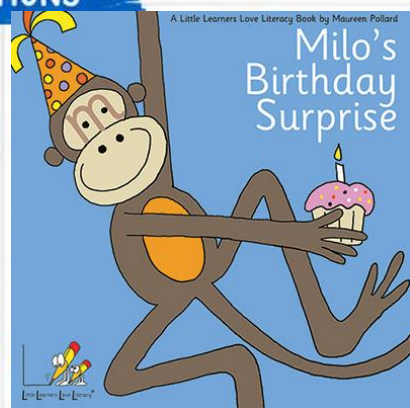
By combining literacy learning with a real-life celebration, students were highly engaged and eager to contribute.



BUILDING CONNECTIONS

The celebration encouraged students to communicate, cooperate and celebrate together as a classroom community.

The smiles throughout the day showed just how much everyone enjoyed the experience.



Thank you to all our families for helping make Milo Monkey's birthday such a wonderful success!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MILO MONKEY!

Wellbeing Wrap Up

Nick Jones – Assistant Principal

Bouncing Forwards

Helping children cope, recover and have another go

What resilience really means

Resilience is not about toughness or pushing through anything. It is the capacity to manage life's ups and downs, recover from setbacks, and keep going when things are difficult. Every child meets bumps along the way: a friendship wobble, a tricky piece of work, a disappointment. Resilience helps them move through these moments and come out a little more confident each time. Importantly, resilience is not something children are born with or without. It is a skill that grows with practice and support.

A SIMPLE APPROACH FOR HOME

Name the feeling.

Help your child put words to what they are experiencing. "It sounds like you are feeling really frustrated." Naming emotions helps children feel understood and begins to calm big feelings.

Sit with it.

Resist the urge to rush in or talk them out of how they feel. A calm, steady presence shows your child that difficult feelings are normal and manageable.

Work it out together.

Once your child is calmer, gently explore what might help. "What could we try?" Inviting their ideas builds problem-solving and a sense of control.

Encourage another go.

Setbacks are part of learning. Praising effort and persistence matters far more than praising the outcome.

Everyday ways to build resilience at home

- Let your child solve small problems themselves where it is safe to do so.
- Notice and name your child's effort, not just results.
- Keep routines predictable so children feel secure.

THE WORDS WE USE

Instead of: "Don't worry, you're fine." Try: "I can see this feels hard. I'm right here with you."

Instead of: "It's not a big deal." Try: "This matters to you, so it matters to me."

Instead of: "Just try harder." Try: "What is one small step we could try next?"

Instead of: "You're so clever." Try: "I noticed how hard you worked on that."

Wellbeing Wrap Up

Nick Jones – Assistant Principal

Building resilience does not require grand gestures. It grows in ordinary moments. The way we respond to a spilled drink, a lost game, or a hard homework task. Letting children experience small, manageable challenges and supporting them through these, rather than removing every obstacle, helps them build genuine confidence in their own ability to cope. If your child or family need any support or guidance in this area please reach out to me, your classroom teacher or Penelope. We're always available and happy to try our best to help!

Nick Jones



EVERYDAY RESILIENCE

Simple steps that help children cope, recover and try again



NAME THE FEELING Start here



- "It sounds like you are feeling frustrated."



- Name the emotion out loud — this helps it feel smaller.



- That makes sense that you feel upset about that."



SIT WITH IT Hold steady



- Resist rushing in to fix the feeling.



- A calm, steady presence shows that difficult feelings are manageable.



- You do not need to have the answers right away.



WORK IT OUT TOGETHER Problem solve



- Once calmer, ask: "What could we try?"



- Invite their ideas — this builds problem solving skills.



- "Let's work out the tricky part together."



ENCOURAGE ANOTHER GO Praise effort



- Setbacks are part of learning — not a sign of failure.



- Praise persistence: "I noticed how hard you worked."



- "What is one small step we could try next?"



Big feelings are hard. Small steps build strong, resilient kids.





Star Student Awards

JUNIOR

Harper for showing confidence, kindness and a willingness to learn while settling into our classroom routines.

MIDDLE

Ivy for showing fantastic working out when solving subtraction problems!

SENIOR

Xavier for a great job balancing your high school applications and learning in the last two weeks.



Star Student

DILLBADIN PRIMARY SCHOOL



SHINING BRIGHT EVERY DAY!



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



RESILIENCE



TEAMWORK



EXCELLENCE



Specialist Star Awards

**MRS
BLAKE**

STEM:

Poppy for a fantastic effort in STEM creating your Claymation character. Well done!

MISS D

Performing Arts:

Alex B for participating respectfully and with great ideas during discussions in PA.

**MRS
BLAKE**

PE:

George for excellent participation in PE. Well done!



Specialist Star

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THANK YOU FOR

SHARING YOUR TALENTS

AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



VISUAL ARTS



PERFORMING ARTS



PE / SPORT



LANGUAGES



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES



STEM

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Way
to go!



TOGETHER, WE MAKE DILLBADIN A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN AND GROW!



Our students earned
2 COCKATOOS
over the past week, representing
200 acknowledgements
of positive behaviour.
Amazing work, everyone!



BE RESPECTFUL
We treat others
with kindness.



BE SAFE
We look after
ourselves and others.



BE A LEARNER
We try our best and
keep improving.

EVERY CHOICE COUNTS. EVERY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT MATTERS!

Birthdays

FOR THE

WEEK!



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*Happy Birthday to our amazing
students celebrating this week!*

*Wishing you all a fantastic day
filled with joy and laughter!*



You're all stars!



What's Coming Up?



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Important dates for your diary



**EVERY
FRIDAY**

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Every Friday

3:00pm in the School Hall.

Everyone is welcome!



**EVERY
THURSDAY**

SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS

Every Thursday

• 23 July • 6 August • 20 August

• 3 September • 17 September



**TUESDAY
28 JULY
&
1 SEPTEMBER
9:10AM**

SCHOOL COUNCIL

All welcome!



**WEDNESDAY
16 &
THURSDAY
17
SEPTEMBER**

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Wednesday 16th September &

Thursday 17th September

More details to come!



**FRIDAY
31 JULY
14 AUGUST
28 AUGUST**

WINTER WALK TO SCHOOL

*Let's rug up and get active
together!*



**THURSDAY
27
AUGUST**

FATHER'S DAY STALL & BBQ

Thursday 27th August

Stall during the day

BBQ from 5:00pm



**WEDNESDAY
9
SEPTEMBER**

MIDDLE CLASS CAMP

Wednesday 9th September to

Thursday 10th September

More details to come!



**FRIDAY
18
SEPTEMBER**

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Friday 18th September

Wear your favourite
footy team colours!



**FRIDAY
18
SEPTEMBER**

LAST DAY OF TERM 3

Friday 18th September

School finishes at 2:30pm.



Stay up to date!

Keep an eye on Compass,
class communications
and our school newsletter
for updates.



*Thank you for
supporting our
school and helping
our students shine!*