

NEWSLETTER

26TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

WEEK 10, TERM 3



FUN WITH FRANKIE... AND HER DPS FAMILY!

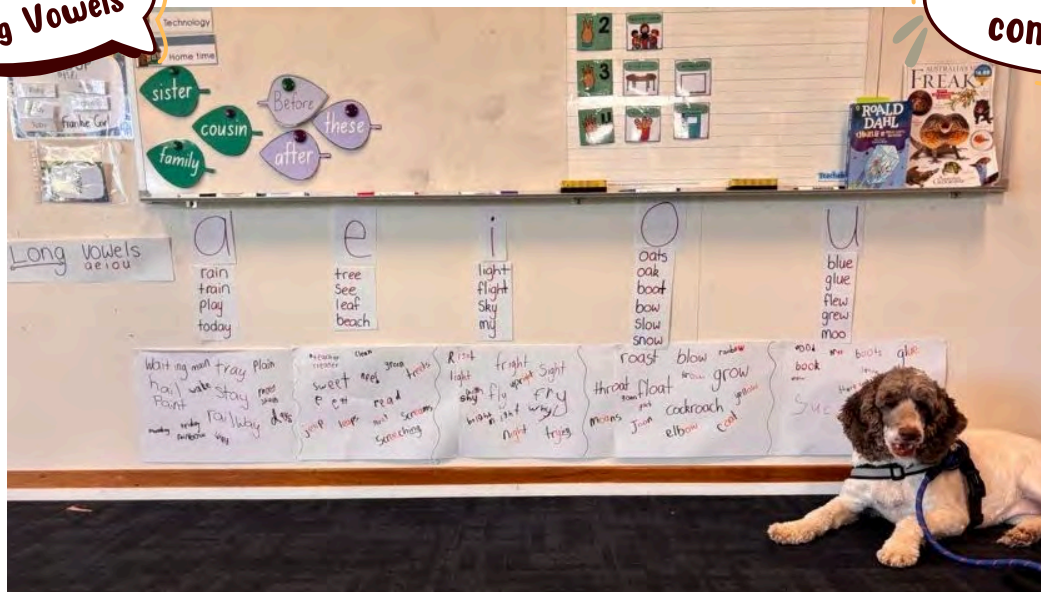
Frankie has certainly earned a well-deserved break and is excited about spending time outdoors next term as the weather begins to warm up. She has loved connecting with students, witnessing all the wonderful things they are accomplishing! She even managed to explore other classrooms, with a particular fondness for her time spent in the library.



Learning Long Vowels



Staring contest



A DAY IN THE LIFE OF FRANKIE @DPS

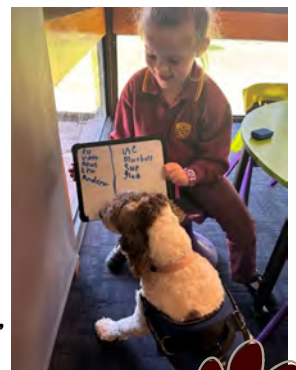
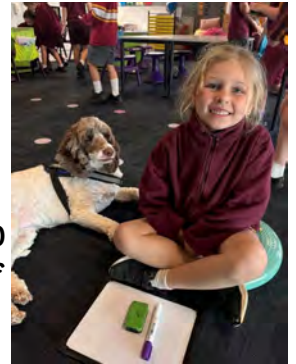
From the moment she bursts through the school doors, Frankie is like a furry burst of sunshine, spreading joy and comfort to every soul in sight! Her day kicks off in Year 1, where she's showered with belly rubs and ear scratches that would make any pup feel like a superstar.

As the morning rolls on, Frankie hops between classrooms, the office and the library, bringing her magic touch. A gentle nudge of her nose or the cozy weight of her head on a student's lap can turn frowns upside down and she somehow manages to sneak in a little snooze for herself a few times a day - talk about multitasking!

With her endless patience and love, Frankie creates a safe haven for our students to share their thoughts and tackle their learning hurdles. The bond she forms with the DPS students showcases just how 'pawsitively' amazing a therapy dog can be for mental and emotional wellbeing.

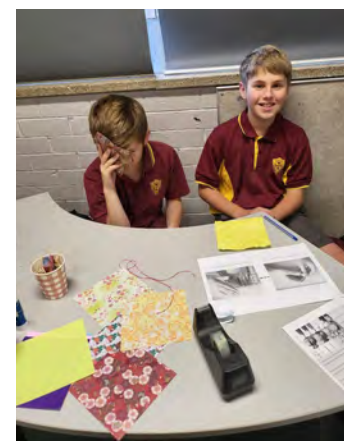
When the school day winds down, Frankie makes her rounds at the afternoon assembly to bid farewell. Students and staff shower her with one last round of love, thanking her for another day of support. With her tail wagging and heart brimming, Frankie heads home with Miss Gee, ready to recharge for another day of spreading joy.

Frankie doesn't just elevate a regular school day; she turns it into an unforgettable adventure, proving that sometimes the best therapy comes with four paws and a wagging tail!



MUSWELLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY

On Tuesday 18th September, 10 Year 5 students made their way to Muswellbrook High School for the annual Transition Day. Once at the school, they combined with Muswellbrook South Public School and split into groups for a day filled with fun high school lessons. Students got a taste of a fast-paced PE lesson, they visited the MHS Farm where they got to feed a sheep, made some scent sachets in Mandarin and finished the day by creating bookmark monsters in Textiles. Everyone had a great day and were impressed with all of the engaging activities they participated in, especially the prizes in PE! Thank you to Muswellbrook High for organising such an exciting day!



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Please be aware that from Term 4, school uniforms will be monitored to ensure consistency across the school.

THIS INCLUDES BLACK SHOES AND PLAIN WHITE SOCKS (MONDAY - THURSDAY).

BLACK JOGGERS AND PLAIN WHITE SOCKS (FRIDAY).

PLEASE FIND A FULL LIST OF UNIFORM OPTIONS BELOW.

MONDAY - THURSDAY



CHECKED DRESS



MAROON POLO



MAROON SHORT



MAROON SKORT



STOCKINGS



MAROON HAT



MAROON TRACKSUIT



MAROON FLEECE JUMPER



GREY PANTS

Black closed in shoes with plain white socks. Bucket hat!

Alternative options available from external providers:
grey dress pants, plain maroon tights & plain maroon trackpants.

FRIDAY & SPORTING EVENTS



MAROON SPORTS SHORT OR SKORT



MAROON SPORTS POLO



MAROON TRACKSUIT



Joggers predominately black if possible with plain white socks. Bucket hat!

Happy
HOLIDAYS

DPS STAFF WISH OUR FAMILIES A SAFE AND RESTFUL BREAK.
 SEE YOU ALL IN TERM 4.

TERM 3

Friday
27/9

Last day of term - Happy Holidays!

TERM 4 DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 17/12 - Presentation Day.
Wednesday 18/12 - Last Day of term.

TERM 4

Monday
14/10

Students & staff return

Tuesday
15/10

P&C Meeting - Denman RSL @5.30pm
Everyone welcome!

Tuesday
22/10

No Assembly (Commencing Week 3 - Kinder)

Wednesday
23/10

Stage 2 - Depart for Lake Keepit - Have Fun!

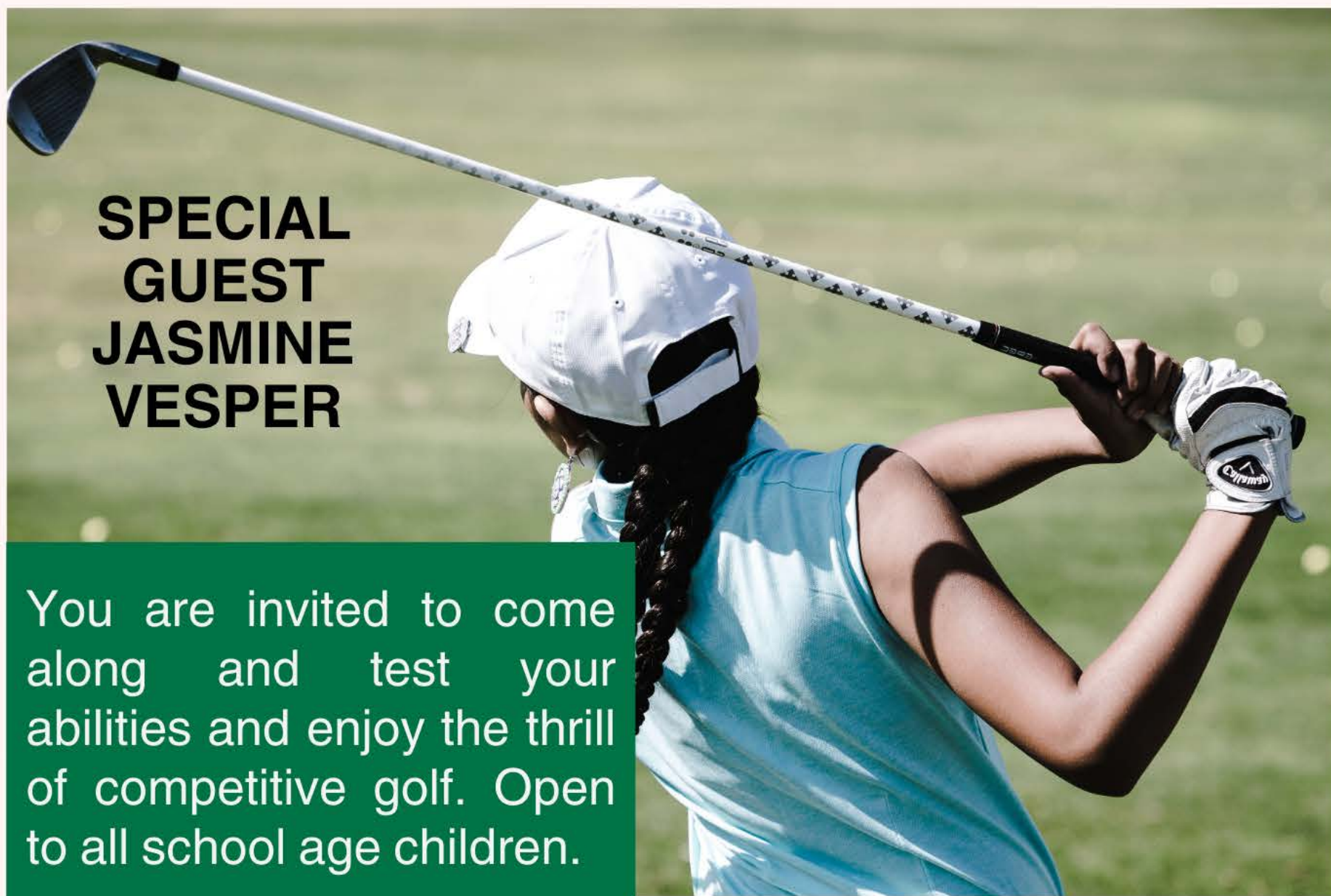
Friday
25/10

Stage 2 - Return from Lake Keepit.



SCONE GOLF ACADEMY

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JASMINE
VESPER**

You are invited to come along and test your abilities and enjoy the thrill of competitive golf. Open to all school age children.

**NO COST
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**REGISTER YOURSELF NOW!
CALL CHRIS ON 0419 239 375**

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - SAVE THE DATE!

**WEDNESDAY
2ND AND 9TH
OCTOBER 2024**

Time: 9am to 3pm

Numbers limited

CURIOSITY KIT LAUNCH DAY



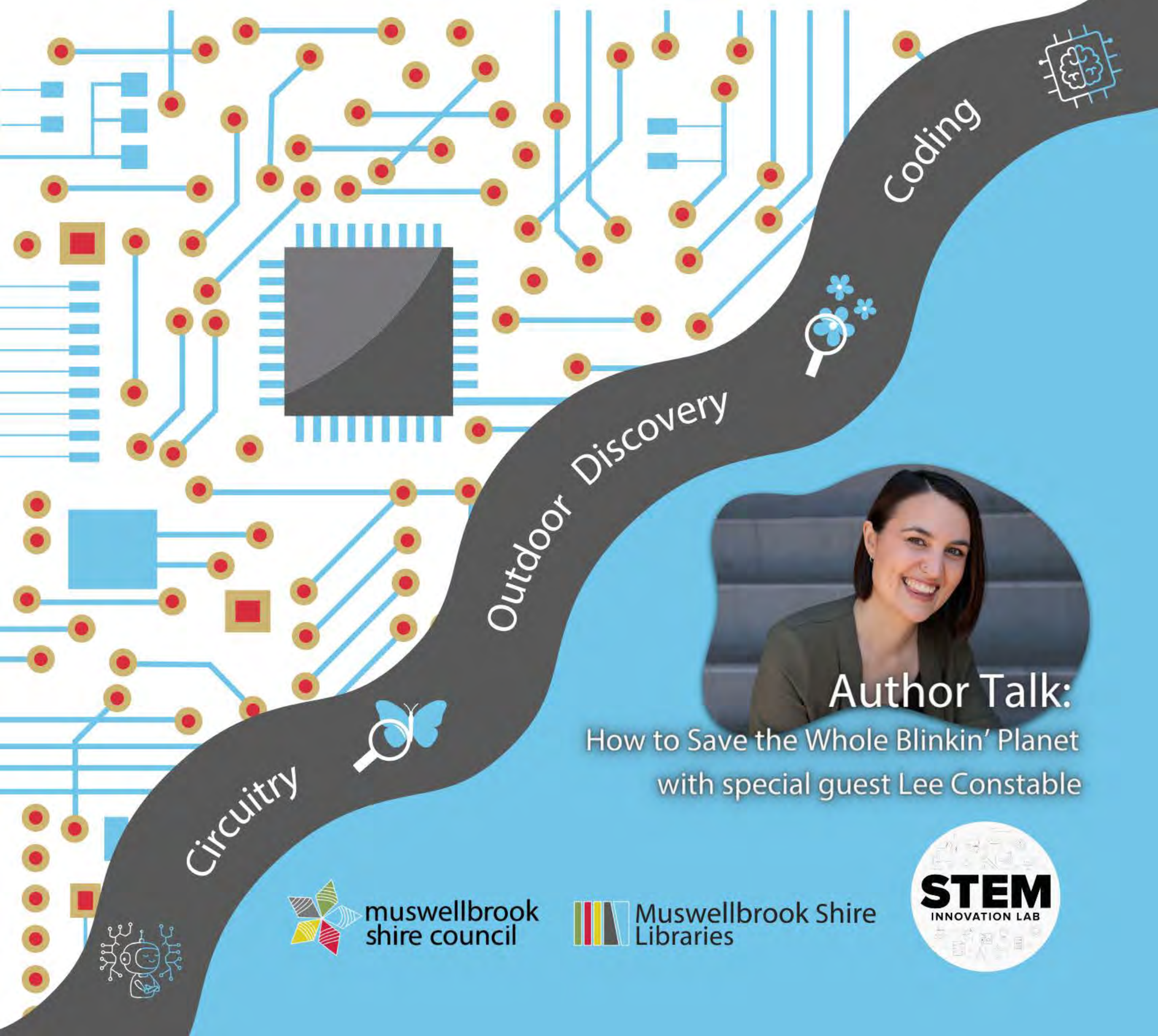
SATURDAY
12 OCTOBER
2024



OPEN AT
10:00AM-1:30PM



HUNTER INNOVATION PRECINCT
MUSWELLBROOK LIBRARY &
DONALD HORNE BUILDING



Circuitry

Outdoor Discovery

Coding



Author Talk:

How to Save the Whole Blinkin' Planet
with special guest Lee Constable



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Do the BAT Walk

Everyday of School Holidays

Learn about these amazing creatures. Make a bat, pop into our special 'bat cave', judge the Bat Beauty competition and lots more. **Cost: FREE with Entry**



Bat Talk & Craft

Monday 30th Sept & Tuesday 8th Oct at 10-11.30am

Are bats scary bloodsuckers OR are they cute, furry native animals that are important for our ecosystem? Find out with Anne from Hunter Wildlife Rescue!

Cost: FREE with Entry - but book a seat online!
Get Tickets: wetlands.org.au/upcoming-events



Reptile Encounters Cost: \$5pp plus Entry

Wed 2 Oct	11.00am	We've added EXTRA
Mon 7 Oct	11.00am	Reptile Encounters
Wed 9 Oct	11.00am	in the school holidays!

PLUS EVERY Sat & Sun 11am

PLUS

Dipnetting
Playgrounds
Walking Trails
Guided Walks
Bird Feeding
Animal House
Egret Tower

Wetlands Art & Writing Comp

Entries in our 40th Anniversary Primary School Students Art and Writing Competition will be on display from 30 September to 11 October 2024. Pop in and see the work of our talented students.

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Shortland
wetlands.org.au





TERM 4 CALENDAR 2024

Children's Mobile Playgroup

0-6 years of age

October 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	<u>14th</u> McCullys Gap	<u>15th</u> Denman	<u>16th</u> Gundy	<u>17th</u> Merriwa	<u>18th</u> Cassilis
2	<u>21st</u> Jerrys Plains	<u>22nd</u> Ellerston	<u>23rd</u> Rouchel	<u>24th</u> Hebden	<u>25th</u> Wingen
3	<u>28th</u> McCullys Gap	<u>29th</u> Denman	<u>30th</u> Gundy	<u>31st</u> Merriwa	<u>1st</u> Cassilis

November 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	<u>4th</u> Jerrys Plains	<u>5th</u> Ellerston	<u>6th</u> Rouchel	<u>7th</u> Hebden	<u>8th</u> Wingen
5	<u>11th</u> McCullys Gap	<u>12th</u> Denman	<u>13th</u> Gundy	<u>14th</u> Merriwa	<u>15th</u> Cassilis
6	<u>18th</u> Jerrys Plains	<u>19th</u> Ellerston	<u>20th</u> Rouchel	<u>21st</u> Hebden	<u>22nd</u> Wingen
7	<u>25th</u> McCullys Gap	<u>26th</u> Denman	<u>27th</u> Gundy	<u>28th</u> Merriwa	<u>29th</u> Cassilis

December 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8	<u>2nd</u> Jerrys Plains	<u>3rd</u> Ellerston	<u>4th</u> Rouchel	<u>5th</u> Hebden	<u>6th</u> Wingen
9	<u>9th</u> McCullys Gap	<u>10th</u> Denman	<u>11th</u> Gundy	<u>12th</u> Merriwa	<u>13th</u> Cassilis

9.30 am– 12 noon

Toy Box 6543 4877

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Stress-free fussy eating ideas

Fussy eating is common, but that still doesn't make it easy.

Does your child dislike foods because of their colour, texture or the way they are prepared?

Don't despair, SWAP IT will help with ideas on how to pack an everyday lunchbox for your fussy eater.

Try the 3:1 lunchbox rule everyday:

- Three items your child likes
- One new everyday item



For more ideas on fussy eating visit: www.swapit.net.au/fussyeating



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RIDE THE WELLBEING WAVE WITH US



What if, no matter what challenge or struggle you might face at work, you knew that you could move through it with confidence?

What if you could fully embrace the best that life has to offer, without fearing that the worst could be just around the corner?

What if you were able to accomplish this by experimenting with scientifically studied practices that are not only beneficial but are infused with playful energy.

What if you could **“Ride the wellbeing wave”**?



Scan the QR code to visit our
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Where there's a Will

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