



# A Community of Learners Growing Together



Newsletter- Week 6, Term 1, 2024

## Upcoming events/dates

- Week 7 - Monday- Adelaide Cup Public Holiday  
- Friday - Assembly @ 2:50 in library
- Week 8 - Thursday - Harmony Day
- Week 9 - School Photos

## Principal's Message

# Harmony



### Resilience

We teach and build skills in resilience in a variety of ways at NPS. **Resilience is the ability to cope with difficult times and 'bounce back' from adversity.**

Here are some ways that students have tested their resilience at our site this fortnight:

- Zooper Doopers – some children have been upset when they haven't been able to buy a Zooper Dooper.
- Some children are having difficulty playing tennis together.
- Losing in a game in PE is frustrating!
- Learning new skills in swimming can be scary.
- Not being able to sit where you want to in the classroom can be challenging.

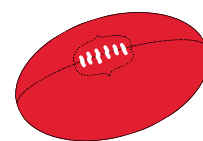


Staff are currently working on surveying children about their perception of their resilience. This will help us build their capacity to cope with difficult situations. The SRC are also helping to promote strong resilience. One strategy suggested was 'you can feel sad inside but think maybe you could get a Zooper Dooper next week' (Lucy, Yr 4)

It is important to remember that positive stress, eg. learning a new skill is essential in the development of healthy minds. How do you support your child's resilience at home?

### Sport

- It has been a busy week filled with learning new swimming skills and having fun! Thank you to all staff as this takes quite a bit of coordinating.
- The students have been very keen to use the tennis courts during break times. They have requested that we have more tennis lessons! We are hoping to schedule this for next term.
- The 5/6s have the opportunity to participate in a football and netball carnival in Week 11. This is run by the Pirie District SA sport group.



### Clean Up Australia

It was fantastic on the school's Clean Up Australia Day to notice that our school yard was incredibly clean. We mainly attribute this to eating inside at the end of play time.

This keeps up our Napperby pride!

### NAPLAN

Year 3s and 5s will begin their NAPLAN testing next week.

Please come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

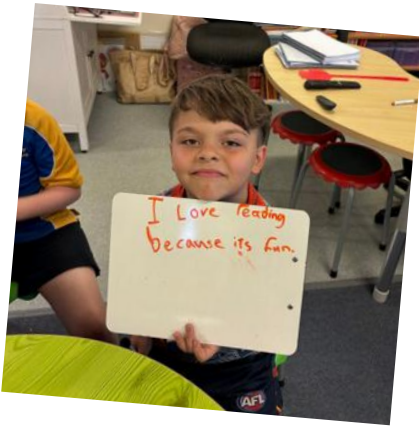
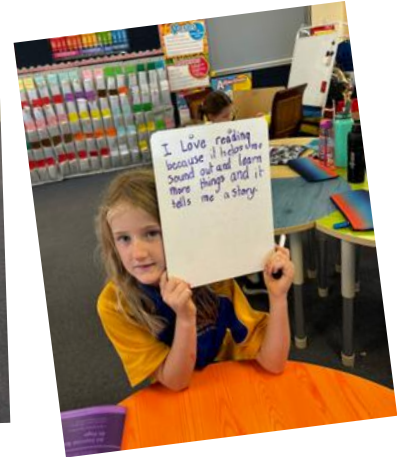
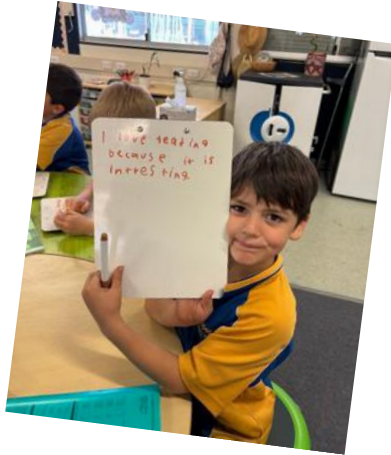
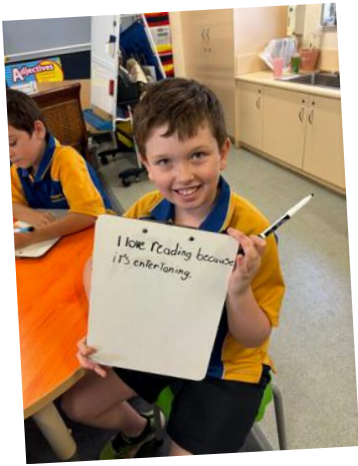


Robyn Staker  
Principal



Year 2/3 has been doing some incredible learning this term. We have discovered all about the continents and oceans; one of the biggest highlights was learning about the super continent Pangea. We have participated in Clean Up Australia, an amazing opportunity to learn about being global citizens. The mechanics of writing have been an important part of our curriculum so we that can develop a solid understanding of what makes a quality sentence, and ultimately paragraph. The students really enjoyed learning about conjunctions which are connecting or joining words. Students have all set a math goal and will be working on their reading and writing goals next week.

Another focus has been resilience. We have provided opportunities for the students to problem solve, negotiate, work within scenarios, identify emotions and reflect, all designed to build and strengthen resilience.



BE RESILIENT!



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# Staff Profile

## Miss AJ



### Hello!

My name is AJ, I am a local Nukunu women, living in Napperby which I absolutely love and feel very connected to my country. I am a married mum of three beautiful and somewhat cheeky children, 16, 9 and 7.

### Experience

You may have seen me around the school or out in the community welcoming everyone to country which is something I love doing and proud to welcome everyone, I am also trying to bring my language back to life.

I have been working at Napperby Primary for 4 years as the Aboriginal Community Education Officer 1 day a week, I have been involved in the beautiful mural you see on the toilet block, designed a top for all students and teachers to wear and also many other things around the school.

This year I am hoping to update tops and yarning circle, use the yarning circle and bring a lot more culture to Napperby, also try to get some parents involved more.

My Role as an Aboriginal Community Education Office is to support any Aboriginal students and families, weather it be learning or finding out some information for you. Also, to bring as much culture as I can into the school.

I look forward to working with students and families.

If you have any questions for me, please don't hesitate to call the school and ask for me.



# Notices

## Parking at Napperby Primary school

A reminder to families to please take note of the parking signs and line markings in and around the school when dropping off and picking up your children. The marked lines on the road and in the school parking area indicate areas of **No Parking**, and they need to be kept clear at all times for emergencies and deliveries only. The parking inspector will be coming to Napperby over the next couple of weeks. Please be aware and follow parking rules to avoid being fined.



## School grounds

As a school we pride ourselves on keeping our grounds tidy.

Napperby township is lucky that our school oval is available for town use during weekends.

However, it has come to our attention that people taking their dog(s) for a walk have not been picking up their dog's faeces.

Please remember to be responsible and pick up your dog's poop!

Thank you.

