



Upper Coopers Creek Public School

Respect, Understanding and Responsibility

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Term 1 Week 7

"We wish to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands."

Dear Families and Friends,

Parent Volunteers: Thank you so much to Steph for coming along to read with the younger children this week. Children love reading to and with adults so if anyone else can spare a half hour any week day morning, the children would love it.

Premier's Reading Challenge: All students from Upper Coopers are taking part in the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge which aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students. Please encourage your children to read and return the book that they borrowed from the library.

Cricket: After weeks of anticipation, we're happy to announce that our cricket coach will be coming to school every Monday afternoon for the rest of the term.

In the classroom: In English Years 2-6 children completed and published their exposition about a topic of their choice. They all wrote very persuasively but a special mention must go to Louie Perkins for his extremely convincing argument regarding banning single use plastic. In Maths this week we have been focused on area and multiplication and the Years 4-6 have shown incredible mathematical thinking when learning how to find the area of a triangle. In Science this week the younger students investigated gravity as a force while the older children tested which materials conduct electricity.

Big Scrub Interest Day: On Thursday 21 March, all students will travel to Rocky Creek Dam for a Big Scrub Interest Day hosted by the Dorrroughby Environmental Education Centre. Students will participate in environmental activities with local organisations including Lismore City Council, Rous Water and Envite. If you have not returned your permission note, please do so as soon as possible.

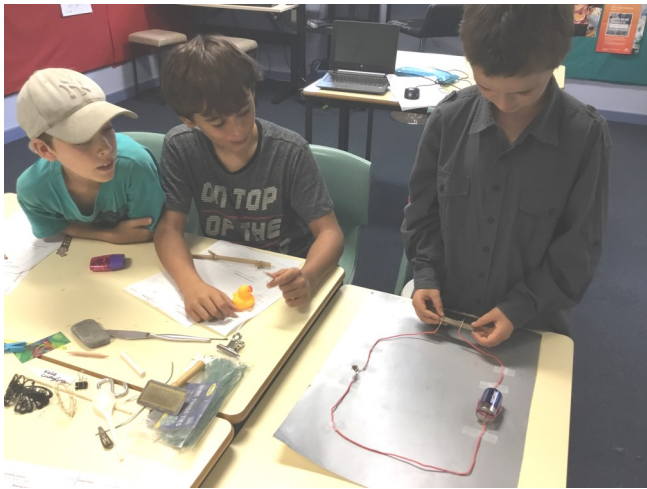
Ride To School Day: It has been wonderful having so many children choose to ride to school recently and the timing is perfect because next Friday March 22 is National Ride to School Day.



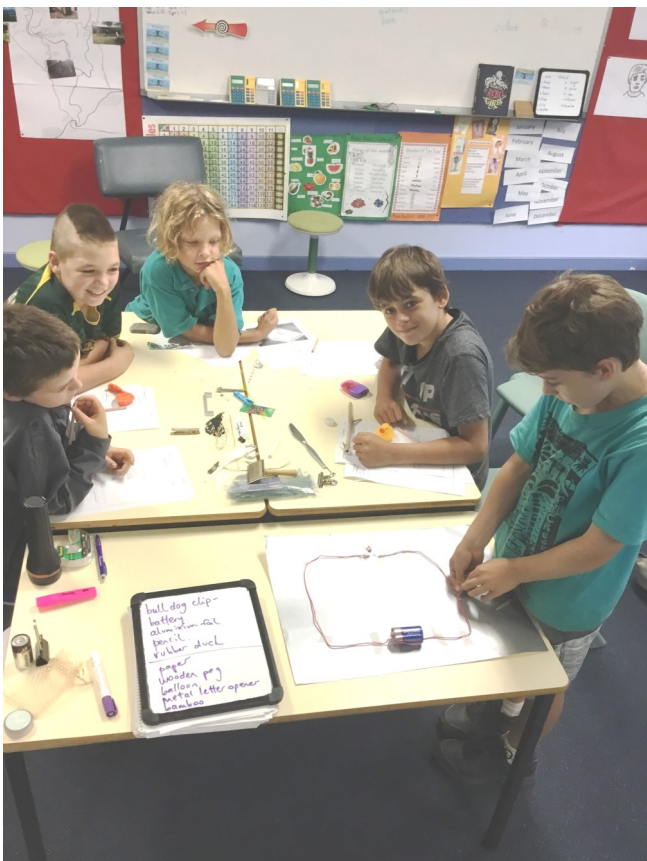
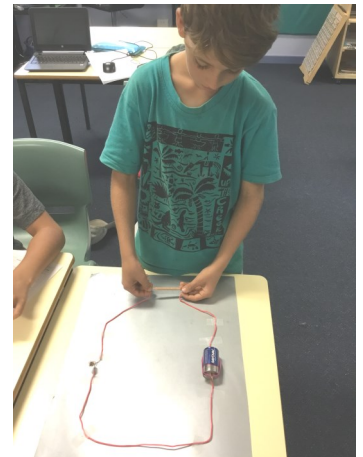
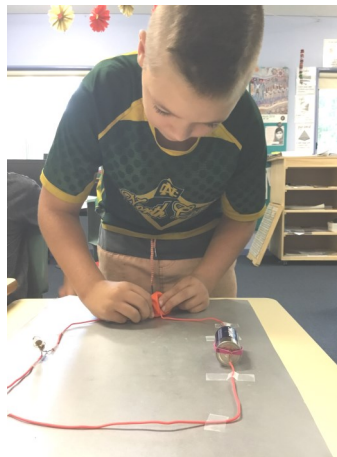
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National Anti-Bullying Day: Friday 15 March is the National Day of Action against Bullying. This day highlights the need to take action and empower young people to be part of the solution when addressing bullying in their school community. It provides an opportunity to focus on bullying and the big changes we can make to create safer communities for everyone.

Time and Place: To complement our My Place history unit, on Tuesday March 26 the whole school will be travelling to the Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre to take part in their history program, Time and Place. The emphasis will be on the 1880s-way of life of the Cedar Getters and their families, how this changed the lives of the people of the Bundjalung Nation and the impact it had on Country. Students will take part in activities like colonial games, butter-making and an old schoolhouse role play. They'll also have the opportunity to be part of an archaeological dig. Transport will be by private vehicle with Rochelle and Jen and the school will cover the cost of this excursion. Permission note attached.



Parent Cyber Security: Clunes Public School will be presenting an information night about helping parents to help children be internet safe. "Safe on Social Media" with Kirra Pendergast will be held at Clunes School, Monday 18 March at 5.30pm. All welcome.



Dates To Remember

Fri	March 15th	National Anti-Bully Day
Mon	March 18	Parent Cyber Security @ Clunes PS
Thurs	March 21st	Big Scrub Interest Day
Fri	March 22nd	Harmony Day Celebration
Tues	March 26th	Richmond River High School Orientation
Tues	March 26th	Dorroughby History Excursion

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