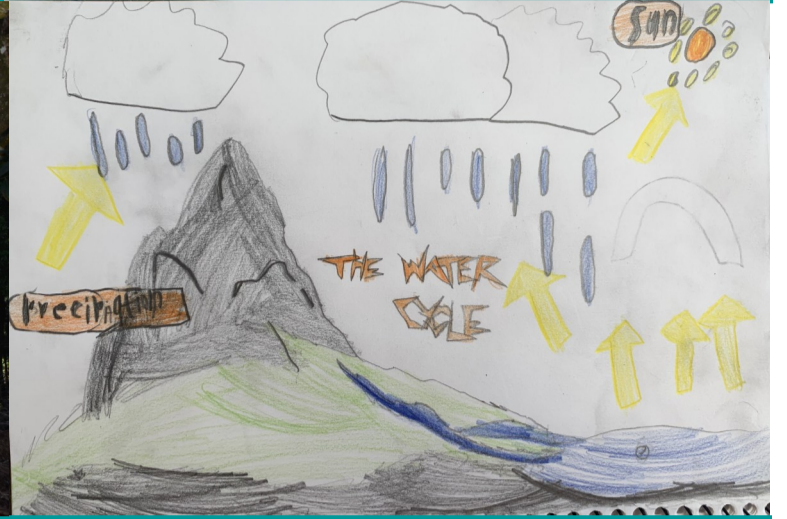
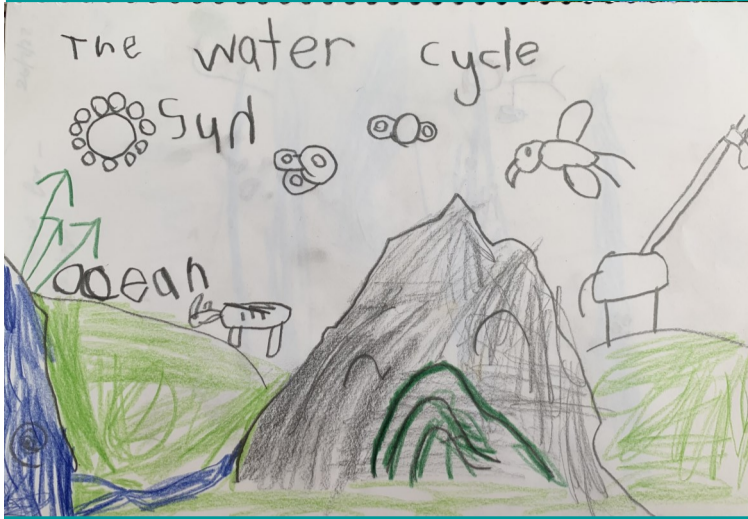


Upper Coopers Creek Newsletter Public School



Term 3 Week 6

Thursday 25 August 2022



Dates To Remember

Tues	30 August	LPAF rehearsal—Yr 5
Wed	31 August	LPAF Matinee performance
Fri	2 Sept	The Channon Teams Day
Thur	8 Sept	DEEC Incursion with Goo-nengerry PS
Tues	13 Sept	School Photos

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Dear Families and Friends,

We have had another busy and exciting week at school, with even more adventures planned for next week.

Room on the Broom: We all had a wonderful time on our adventure to the big city last Friday, where we joined many other schools for the live performance of Room on the Broom. The children especially enjoyed the use of puppets, as well as live actors on stage and they were amazed at the clever ways the performers made it look like they were flying using lights, sound and body movement.

Writers Festival: The Senior students enjoyed hearing about the life of two published authors at the Byron Bay Writer's Festival yesterday. Sarah Armstrong shared her experiences both as a journalist and as a children's author while Corey Tutt, author of The First Scientists, fascinated the children with his stories about Indigenous science and unusual animals.

Aboriginal Pedagogy 8 Ways: This week, Nicky and I completed a series of training afternoons with Aboriginal Education Officer, Belinda Standage, where we gained a better understanding of the use of Indigenous teaching and learning strategies, including story sharing, land links and symbols and images. This was a wonderful and inspiring experience and we are looking forward to including this valuable knowledge in our classrooms.

Lismore NAIDOC: Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our trip to Lismore today.



We pay our respects to the people of the Bundjalung nation upon whose country we learn and teach.

Federal Preschool Visit: It was lovely to visit the Federal Community Children's Centre last week. We enjoyed playing with the children who will begin primary school next year and loved our tour of their bush tucker garden. Thanks for inviting us, FCCC!

Lismore Performing Arts Festival: Louie will be performing as part of the Small Schools Choir at the Lismore Performing Arts Festival in a matinee and an evening performance on Wednesday 31 August at the Whitebrook Theatre, Southern Cross University. The whole school will attend the matinee performance as part of the audience. Louie will also be attending the venue rehearsal on Tuesday 30 August at Southern Cross University. Please return permission notes as soon as possible. Tickets for these performances are available at link. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lismore-performingarts-festival-2022-tickets-388460916057>

Channon Teams Day: Next Friday, the whole school will travel to Coronation Oval, The Channon, for a day of games with other schools. This is a great opportunity for students from across the area to come together to play mini games in a non-competitive environment. The games include Danish Rounders, Tee-Ball and Soccer. Please return the permission note as soon as possible.

Kinder Orientation: Kinder orientation starts on Thursday September 1 and will continue until Thursday December 1. Kinder orientation is an opportunity for children who are starting primary school in 2023 to get to know us and our school. We are looking forward to having our new kindergarten children join us. If you know of any families with children who will be starting primary school next year, please tell them about Upper Coopers Creek and ask them to get in touch.

In the classroom: In English this week the younger students completed their very first spelling test and impressed us all with their skills and knowledge! The older students continued to work on their speeches. We hope to hold our Public Speaking Day in Week 9. In Maths Jen's class worked on addition strategies while the younger students learned about equal shares. In Science Nicky's class continued their study of the water cycle and were surprised to discover that this actually has nothing to do with a bicycle that you can ride on the water!

Teaching Principal Conference: Yesterday I travelled to Coffs Harbour to take part in the Rural North Teaching Principal's Conference. This will be a unique opportunity to connect and learn from other small school principals.

