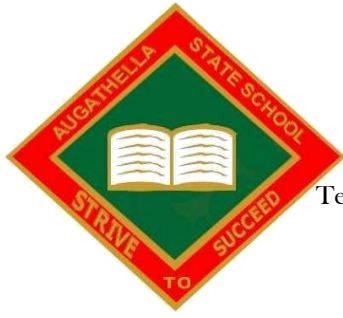


AUGATHELLA STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Quote of the Week

"The purpose of education should be character-building" — Abhijit Naskar



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At school, we believe that building great character is just as important as teaching literacy and numeracy. This year, our approach to behaviour, respect, and values has been shaped by our partnership with Real Schools, and it's making a real difference for our students. Instead of focusing on strict rules and punishments, we have been working to create a positive school culture where every student feels valued and responsible for their actions. This means staff model respectful language and kindness, and we encourage students to do the same. When challenges come up, we use restorative conversations—talking about what happened, how it made people feel, and what can be done to make things right. This helps students learn empathy, take responsibility, and repair relationships, rather than just "serving time" for poor choices.

We know that building character isn't about running a program for a few weeks or putting up posters about kindness. It's about what we do and say every day—how we treat each other in the classroom and in the playground. By working together as a school community, and with the support of Real Schools, we're helping our students grow into thoughtful, respectful, and resilient young people. Thank you for being part of this journey with us. When families and schools work together, our kids get the best chance to shine.

Charleville and District Athletics Trials

Congratulations to Ardie, Ben, Kourtney and Lane, who were nominated to participate in the Charleville and District Athletics Trials that were held in Charleville yesterday. They competed in the hope of gaining selection in the district team to attend the upcoming regional trials later this month.

We are very proud of their efforts and we are grateful to our parents for supporting the students and providing transport on the day.

Jeans for Genes Day

This Thursday, 6th August, our school will proudly participate in **Jeans for Genes Day**. Students are invited to wear their jeans and bring a **gold coin donation** to support the Children's Medical Research Institute and its work to find better treatments and cures for genetic conditions affecting children, including cancer, cystic fibrosis, epilepsy, Duchenne muscular dystrophy and many rare disorders.

By taking part, we are helping children and families who face challenges that many of us are fortunate not to experience. It is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to show kindness, build awareness and remind our students that even a simple action—such as wearing their jeans and donating a gold coin—can make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.



Charleville Performing Arts Festival – Instrumental Music

It has been terrific to see (and hear) the students prepare for their upcoming performances for the festival which kicks off later this week. The ensemble group has been sounding better and better each week and it is a credit to Mr Mulhall and the work he continues to do with all our students. I **would like to thank Harry** for the time and commitment he gives to our school and we acknowledge the work that he does with **all of the music students**. We wish all of our students well as they participate in the festival this Friday.



So far, only 8 of our 25 families have responded to the School Opinion Survey. Please jump on and provide some feedback for us!

Natalie Newell, Principal.

Hello Week 4! We had an amazing time at our Storytime last week celebrating reading, craft and playing with so many community visitors. It is always such a fun morning. This week in English, the students are using all their skills and knowledge about high modality words to work together to write a book review and write about how a book made them feel and why. In Maths, the students are finalising their learning on 2D shapes, 3D objects and parallel lines before moving on to length and weight later in the week. Measurement is always such a hands-on and fun topic to learn about. In Kindy this week, our focus story is *Splat the Cat*. We are going to do some different types of painting and craft. The children have also been loving the new jungle area and have made some great requests to make some monkeys and giraffes to live there so keep your eye out. We have two new kindy friends joining us so we will also have some free play and spend some time getting to know each other. Have a wonderful week everyone!

Hello and welcome to Week 4! I can't believe how quickly this term is flying by. Last week's behaviour focus was 'I raise my hand to speak,' which is one of our Be Respectful expectations in the classroom. It has been wonderful to see the Year 3 – 6 students making a real effort to remember to raise their hands when they would like to share their fantastic ideas during learning time. In English this week, we are continuing to build our knowledge and skills in persuasive writing by investigating the deliberate vocabulary choices used in tourism videos and articles. Students have also begun using this persuasive language to strengthen their own writing and convince travellers to visit various places around Augathella. As always, have a wonderful week! If you would like to discuss your child's progress at school, please don't hesitate to get in touch.



This week in our Positive Behaviour for Learning lessons, the students are learning to enter and leave the classroom quietly. This positive behaviour expectation has a Be Respectful focus and it is relevant to the classroom areas of the school. During class, students will have discussions around the importance of entering and leaving the classroom quietly. They will also practise entering and leaving the classroom quietly.

Ella & Wilma.

Attendance Star
Staff

Tidy Class
3-4-5-6
Class

There will be NO tuckshop this week.

Jeans for Genes Day - Thursday 6th August
 CPAF - Friday 7th August
 Under 8's Day - Friday 14th August
 Dental Service - Wednesday 19th August
 Book Fair - 17th August - 21st August
 Author in Residence - Monday 17th August
 Book Week Character Parade - Tuesday 18th August
 NDA against bullying & violence - Friday 21st August
 Premier's Reading Challenge - closes 28th August
 Farm Safety Calendar - closes 31st August
 Father's Day Afternoon - Thursday 3rd September
 Student Free Day - Friday 4th September
 RUOK Day - Thursday 10th September
 Term 3 finishes - Friday 18th September
 Term 4 Commences - Tuesday 6th October
 Year 3-6 Camp - Monday 19th October - Friday 23rd October
 Swimming Carnival - Friday 27th November
 Presentation Night - Thursday 3rd December
 Term 4 Finishes - Friday 4th December