



Calendar

26 Nov	Colour Explosion
7 Dec	Kindergarten Presentation
8 Dec	Year 1-3 Class Presentation
9 Dec	Year 4-6 Class Presentation
16 Dec	Last day for students & Party Day
17 Dec	Last day for staff
2022	
28 Jan	Staff Development Day – Staff only
31 Jan	Staff Development Day – Staff only
1 Feb	Students Return

COVID-19 Update

A big congratulations to all our students on following the COVID guidelines in school and staying within their cohort groups. We know it isn't easy, especially with the wet weather and classroom maintenance programs which are happening. These guidelines will continue for the rest of the year as you can see by the Term 4 roadmap below.

A reminder that masks are required indoors for all staff, adult visitors and students in Year 7 and above. Masks are strongly recommended indoors for primary students. It is mandatory for all staff and students 12 years and older to carry a mask with them at all times.

PRESENTATION DAY TROPHIES

If your child received a perpetual trophy at Presentation Day last year, it is now time to return it to the school office so we can prepare for this year. Thank you.

END OF YEAR PRESENTATIONS

Due to COVID restrictions implemented until at least the end of the year, we have had to make changes to our usual Presentation Ceremonies. We are also being impacted by our building maintenance works, which means until further notice the COLA is out of action. Under Level 3 restrictions parents are unable to attend. This is an important occasion for our community, and we are aware of the disappointment you have felt this year because of the limited access you have had to the school grounds. We also feel the same way. We will be recording and uploading the presentations to our Facebook page for all of you to watch.

This year's presentation ceremony will be held (weather permitting) on Tuesday 7 December at 9:30am on the basketball court. Classes will remain in cohort groups for the presentation.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on Monday 29 November. Like last year there will be no group or sibling photos taken as we cannot mix cohorts. MSP have asked for all orders to be completed online this year at msp.com.au. A flyer will be going home tomorrow with instructions. **You will need a Shootkey number to be able to place an online order.** Please call the office tomorrow for your shootkey number.

NSW Department of Education

Term 4 roadmap

From 8 November

- All schools will operate on updated Level 3 settings for the rest of Term 4.
- School sports allowed
- Intra-school sports allowed outside of school hours
- Assemblies and presentations allowed outdoors on-site
- Excursions allowed outdoors
- Dancing and some music classes allowed
- Fully vaccinated visitors allowed on site to support curriculum delivery, wellbeing programs and school operations
- Community use allowed (including PSC meetings)

From Term 1 2022

We can look forward to more freedoms as schools return in 2022.

Keeping us all safe

A combination of layered safety measures allow us to prioritise student and staff wellness while we keep schools open.

Stay home if unwell

- Do not attend or participate if unwell, even with mild symptoms.

Vaccinations required

- All adults must be fully vaccinated.

Always check in

- All staff and visitors must check in when attending a school site or gathering.

Wear masks indoors

- Masks are required indoors for all staff, visitors and students in Year 7 or above, and strongly recommended indoors for primary students.
- You can take your mask off when eating or exercising.

Physically distance

- Maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing whenever practicable.

Maximise ventilation

- Activities and events should be held outdoors where practicable.
- Indoor spaces will be well-ventilated and as large as possible for the number of attendees.

Stick to your cohorts

- Avoid mingling with other groups when moving around the school.

END OF YEAR CLASS PARTIES

Party day will be Thursday 16 December 2021. This will be held at school, in cohort groups. The cost will be \$6 each.

Please complete the tear off slip at the end of the newsletter and return with payment by Thursday 9 December. Unfortunately, late orders cannot be accepted after this date. Additionally, please let us know if your child has an allergy or will be bringing their own lunch. We are so happy we can celebrate such a big year.

Usually, Year 6 are given a special day by the school as a Farewell. Unfortunately, due to current COVID guidelines, we are unable to provide this opportunity. Please be aware, that we are sorting out the details to ensure that they can celebrate the end of their schooling with a celebration of their own. More details to come.

School Colour Explosion-Reminder

A reminder that our colour explosion is on this Friday so please keep on collecting your sponsorship and raising funds to support your children at school. All money and prize ordering forms must be at school by 26 November. We will not be able to process any orders after this date.

ORGANISATION

As we move closer to the end of the 2021 school year, we need to ensure that we are organised for 2021. One of our annual challenges is to know how many students will start school each year and to organise classes based on these numbers. To assist, we ask parents with children in Kindergarten to Year 5, who will be leaving the school at the end of 2021, inform the school at your earliest convenience via email iona-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or phone the office on 4930 1415 by Friday, 26 November so we can continue planning for next year. This will enable us to plan our teachers and classes for next year.

LEADER'S ELECTIONS- Reminder

Our Year 5 students will be presenting their leadership speeches on Friday 3 December with our elections carried out on the same day. Following tradition, our leaders will be announced that afternoon at 3pm. We wish them good luck as they present themselves to the rest of the school.

Kindergarten Orientation-Reminder

Unfortunately, due to COVID guidelines and building maintenance works happening at school we are still unable to hold Kindergarten transition on site, at this stage. Mrs Bird is in the process of setting up a SeeSaw account for all new enrolments and a transition pack, which will be available in the next few weeks. We will contact all Kindergarten parents for 2022 when these are available.

We really cannot wait to catch up with all our new students and their families. If the opportunity arises to have students onsite for transition before the end of the year we will be in contact.

Principal Award

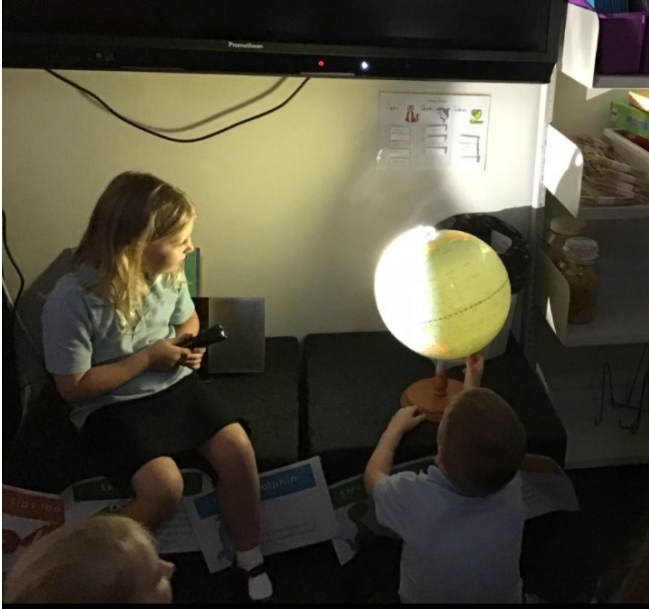
Congratulations to Sarah. Sarah produced a beautiful worksheet depicting Australian coins.



Classroom News

Kindergarten

The end of year is fast approaching, and we are as busy as ever! In Science, students are studying the changing environment. Last week, students examined the rotation of the Earth and investigated how this makes night and day.



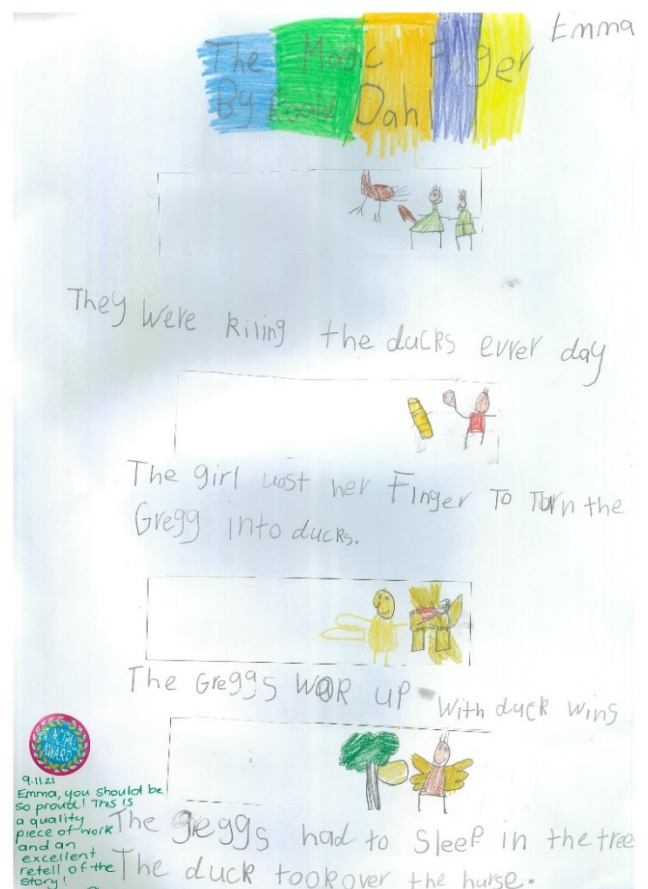
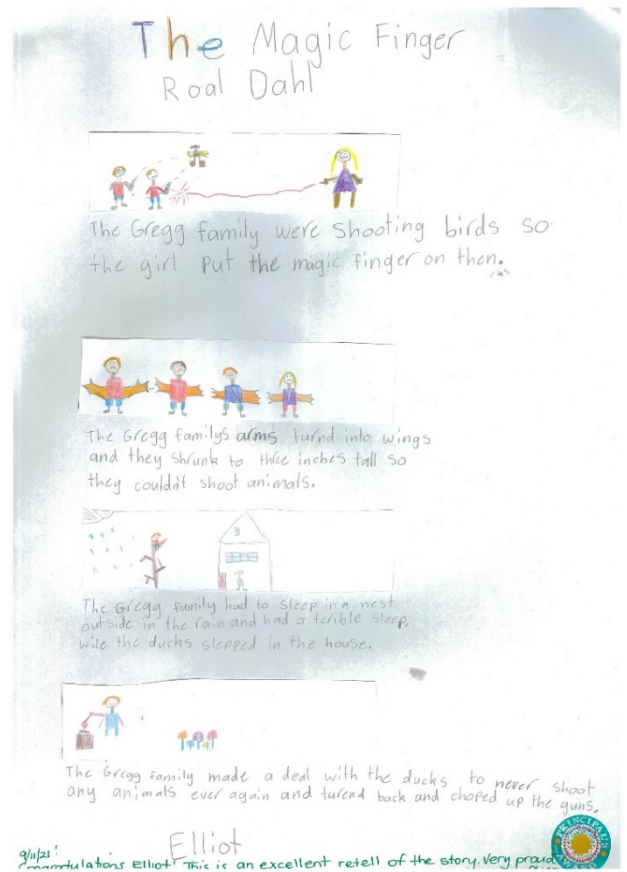
Next lesson, we will examine seasonal changes and explore how these changes impact their lives. They will investigate different materials that protect against the weather and will have the opportunity to test their design skills and make a shelter for a soft toy, and investigate how well it protects teddy from wind, rain and sunlight. Keep on bringing in recyclable materials for your shelter design! In Maths, we will be looking at volume and capacity with lots of hands-on investigations! Keep striving hard Buddies!

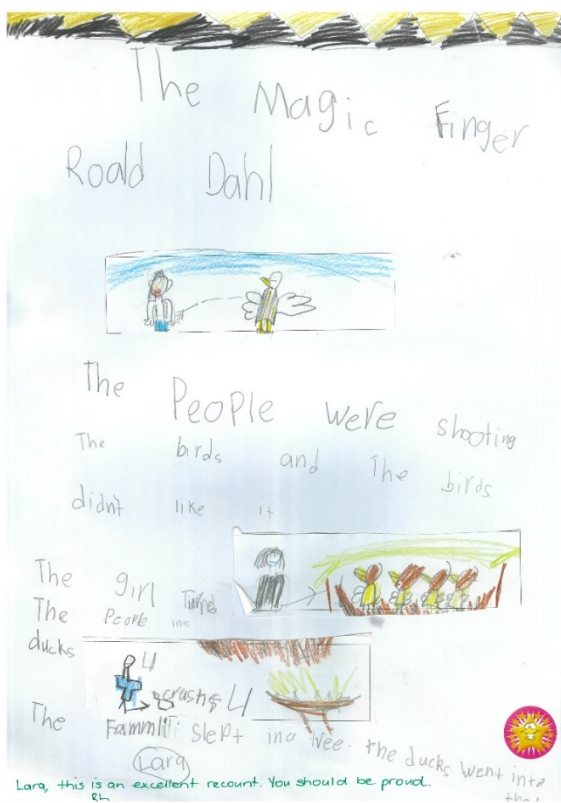
Melissa Bird

1-3

We have once again had quite a busy fortnight in the Rollers class.

Students in Year 1-3 thoroughly enjoyed reading 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl during library over the past few weeks. Here are some of their final story retells.





was budgeting so everyone on their lists received a gift.

We hope you liked our shadow puppet stories on Facebook last week. Keep an eye out for our whole-class production of "Too Many Monkeys" towards the end of the term.

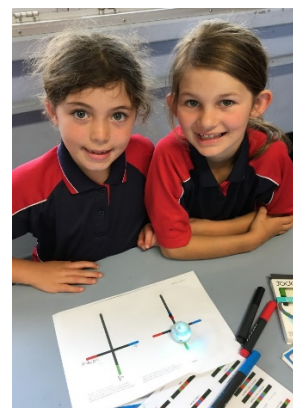
Our budding scientists have also been busy with some hands-on learning, using a sand model to explore how rain affects the landscapes. Our Ozobots also had another workout at the end of last week as students learned how to control the direction of the little robots.

On Thursday we will be completing some problem solving involving the recipe for pikelets.

Please have a chat with your child about their lunchboxes. Several children have attempted to throw away perfectly good and healthy food lately, saying they "don't like it". They have been encouraged to put the food back in their lunchboxes, take it home and talk to their parents about it so we can all avoid wasting food.

Don't forget:

- News this week is free choice
- Our colour explosion is on Friday. Please bring a spare change of clothes, they will get coloured. It might also be an idea for parents to bring towels when picking up your children, so they don't dirty the car.



Awards

Layla for big efforts during maths lessons
Max B for being a responsible learner.

Julie Hartigan and Alysha Tully

We have been working hard on our Maths Investigations for the past week. Year 1 have been developing a Breakfast Bar, selling healthy breakfast options, designing menus and making sure it is value for money for the customers, and profitable for the business. Year 2 and 3 have been imagining they have received \$100 (Yr 2) and \$1000 (Yr 3) that allowed them to go on a shopping spree, picking out items they wanted and items for their friends. The challenging part

4-6

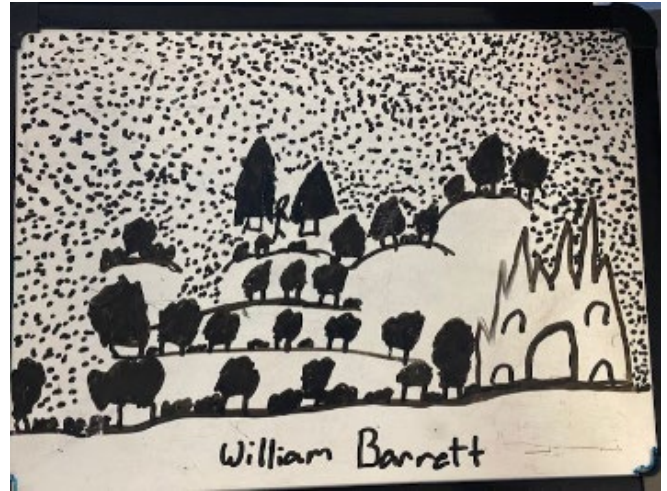
What a week it has been!

Students in 4/5/6 have really been putting in some quality work this week.

We have been continuing our unit on poetry. This week students look at how they can use similes and metaphors to help to create a more substantive pictures in the reader's mind. Students read a poem called one rotation followed by a class discussion about how the poem has helped to create a better understanding of figurative language.

In maths, Students have been doing a bit of revision this week. The class revisited what is a prime and composite number and what factors help to provide clues to distinguish which is which. Next week we will be moving onto all thing's money.

In science we have been learning about bushfires and how we can help to prevent them in our homes and surroundings areas. In history, students researched perspectives on conflicts from the first fleet and what life was like establishing the colony in Sydney cove.



Awards

Arjun - Improving his reading comprehension skills

Grace - Consistent effort in mathematics lessons.

Simon Tarry



Caleb P turned 11 on 12 November

Keziah turned 6 on 17 November

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Iona Public School - Student Requirements

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

For your convenience we have provided a list of the day-to-day equipment needed by students in the various grades for 2022. Some of these will require replenishing each term. Please ensure that all equipment is labelled. **ALL STUDENTS WILL NEED TO SUPPLY THEIR OWN HEADPHONES FOR COMPUTER AND IPAD ACTIVITIES.** If students do not have these, they won't be able to access technology in the classroom.

* = is required.

Thank you, Iona PS Staff

ITEM	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Coloured pencils					*	*	*
Lead pencils					*	*	*
1 sharpener					*	*	*
Eraser					*	*	*
Textas					*	*	*
Highlighters – different colours					*	*	*
Pens – blue, red, black					*	*	*
Scissors					*	*	*
Glue stick					*	*	*
Ruler					*	*	*
A4 plastic wallet X 2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Library bag	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Art shirt	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Headphones	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
USB					*	*	*

End of Year Party Day – Thursday 16 December

Name: _____

Class:- _____

\$6 per person, includes pizza, drink and treat bag. Additional Pizza \$3
Pizza Choice (Dominoes Mini Pizza)

Pepperoni		Beef + Onion	
Spicy Veg Trio		Ham + Cheese	
Margherita		Cheese	

Drink Choice

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CANTEEN PRICE LIST TERM 4 2021

Canteen Day – Friday. Orders **MUST** be in by Thursday morning.

Anyone wishing to help please contact Kim on 0435 790317.

Place orders with money in brown paper bag (available in kitchen) in the letterbox.

DRINKS	PRICE	HOT FOOD	PRICE
Popper	\$1.50	Lean Beef Burger (lettuce, cheese, carrot, tomato & sauce)	\$4.00
		Chicken Burger (lettuce, mayo)	\$4.00
		Vegetarian Burger	\$4.50
		Pizza – Ham/Pineapple	\$3.50

IONA PUBLIC SCHOOL - UNIFORM ORDER 2021

CODE	ITEM	Colour (circle)	SIZE	SIZE	PRICE	QUANTITY
52205	Short sleeve sky polo	Sky blue	3-16		\$12.50	
5220LS	Long sleeve sky polo	Sky blue	3-16		\$14.00	
3886BP	Box pleat Short	Navy	4-16		\$22.00	
G386SK	Skort	Navy	4-16		\$17.00	
4310SL	Track pant	Navy Red	3-16		\$17.00	
5270ZS	Rugby short	Navy	3-16		\$12.50	
5310JK	Jacket fleecy zip	Navy Red	3-16		\$20.00	
5310LR	Jacket hood Fleecy zip	Navy Red	3-16		\$26.00	
5880JK	Polar fleece Jacket	Navy Red	4-16		\$22.00	
5880VE	Polar fleece Vest	Navy Red	4-16		\$16.00	
5963DC	Dry Jacket lined in polar fleece	Navy Red	4-16		\$35.00	
PSW	Box Pleated Tunic	Navy	4-10		\$50.00	
TOTAL	-	-	-		\$	

HATS, SPORT SHIRTS, SHORT & SKORTS MAY BE PURCHASED FROM THE OFFICE.

CASH, CHQ (PAYABLE TO IONA PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C) OR

DIRECT DEPOSIT – BSB 062 813 Account Number 0090 4129 Ref (name)

CHILDS NAME:

ORDERS AND PAYMENT DUE 25 NOVEMBER 2021