

## Principal News

# Cook's Log

We've had an amazing start to Term 2 2026. All classrooms are straight back into learning, the weather has been very kind to us, and the building works are coming along.



North facing from the Hall



The Administration Building

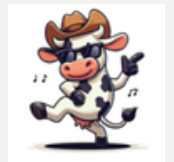


Goodbye ramp. Hello stairs.

We have been able to announce some exciting news for the students in Years 3, 4 5 and 6. We have been able to secure a new camp booking after having to cancel the Phillip Island Camp booking due to lack of numbers. We have been offered 60 places at the Malmsbury Camp, for students in Years 3-6, at a much lower cost of \$160. This cost has been subsidised by the Doxa Foundation. Mrs Moore informs me that we only have 30 places left after just one week. Don't wait too long to secure your child's place.

We also welcome four new staff members to James Cook Primary School. We have a new Prep teacher – Mrs Teresa Fountain – who will take over from Mrs Trevaskis, and three Education Support Staff – Mr Jason Fraser, Mrs Nerida Field, Ms Natalie Stewart – who are supporting our students in the classroom. I am very excited to have them on board with us.

Some advance news, our Musical will be running on a slightly different timetable this year. Lochie Erard is joining us again to choreograph and direct our show for 2026. Dance sessions will begin on Wednesday 27th May, this term. Our musical performance will be at the Drum Theatre on Wednesday 19th August 2026.



Enjoy the sunshine while it's still with us!



*"Keep your face always toward the sunshine  
—and shadows will fall behind you." (– Walt Whitman)*

~ Anne



Anne Burgess  
Principal

# Upcoming Events



## APRIL

Sat 25th

Anzac Day



## MAY



Tue 5th Student Progress Meetings

Fri 8th Mothers Day Stall  
Mothers Day Breakfast  
Year 7 2027 Placement Applications Close

Wed 13th District Cross Country

Sat 16th Education Support Personnel Day

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> - Education Week - Showcase Your School  
Fri 22nd

Wed 27th Division Cross Country

Fri 29th "General Waste" Whole School Theatre Performance



# Students of the Week

Week 1: 2026

AWESOME



## 00T

Elia

For having a go at new activities with a positive attitude. Well done Elia!

Bitu

For following the whiteboard routine beautifully and setting a wonderful example for others!

## 12E

Mohammad

For making a terrific start at James Cook PS and settling in positively with his new class.

Lucas

For showing persistence when practising his segmenting and blending skills. Keep it up, Lucas!

## 12W

Hurra

For making a terrific start at James Cook PS and settling in positively with his new class.

Maddie

For starting the term organised and enthusiastic about learning. Keep it up Maddie!

## 34H

Hasina Zazai

For settling in very well to her learning at James Cook PS and building positive relationships. Well done!

Mehdi

For showing great effort in his learning, listening carefully, staying focused and always trying his best. Great work, Mehdi!



## 34S

David

For his amazing effort when practising cursive handwriting. Well done!

Ilia

For his progress with identifying fraction models. Well done!

## 56L

Bekir

For his positive effort in participatin in our literacy lesson and for building confidence in sharing his thinking

Blake

For his positive start to the term and his willingness to contribute to class discussions



# Students of the Week

Week 1: 2026



## 56R

Nadia

For settling in to our class so quickly, and trying her best to learn our school expectations.

Uzi

For his excellent focus and persistence during his Anzac Day activity.

## ART

Pahan 56L

For practicing his Auslan until he got it correct and was able to film his introduction very well.

Yusuf 12E

For signing clearly and confidently when signing 'I can sing a Rainbow'.

## MANDARIN

Nooria 34S

for confidently putting her hand up and showing great effort when practising mandarin speaking

Jovana 00T

for bravely having a go in Mandarin class and expressing her ideas really well

Darya 00T

for confidently trying new Mandarin words and sharing her ideas beautifully in class



## P.E

Georgie 34H

For demonstrating resilience and teamwork skills when defending her teams pyramid in the 'pyramid game' in physical education.

Yasmine 56R

For showing determination and commitment when practising the double fist technique to hit the ball over the net in 'volleystars' during physical education.

## AUSLAN

Pahan 56L

For practicing his Auslan until he got it correct and was able to film his introduction very well.

Yusuf 12E

For signing clearly and confidently when signing 'I can sing a Rainbow'.

Everyone will



when we all follow our "Matrix of Expectations."

<p>Let's just</p> 	 <p>Protecting yourself and others</p>	 <p>Looking after yourself and making good choices</p>	 <p>Looking after people and property</p>
<p>ALL SETTINGS</p>	<p>We keep our hands and feet to ourselves. We use property and furniture for its correct purpose. We transition in two lines. We tell a staff member if something is wrong. We stay in designated areas.</p>	<p>We return equipment to its rightful place. We put rubbish in the correct bins. We keep all our belongings in their correct place. We follow instructions from staff. We wait quietly when lining up. We ask for help when needed. We admit our mistakes.</p>	<p>We share school property. We wear the correct school uniform. We take turns. We use please, thank you and excuse me. We ask before touching others' belongings. We transition quietly during learning times. We let other out the door before entering.</p>
<p>TOILETS</p>	<p>We give others privacy. We wash our hands with soap. We report problems to a staff member.</p>	<p>We close the door when in use. We flush the toilet. We leave when finished.</p>	<p>We use toilets for their correct purpose. We are quiet. We wait our turn.</p>
<p>LEARNING AREAS</p>	<p>We get permission before leaving. We walk inside. We remain properly seated during learning times.</p>	<p>We have our tools and equipment ready. We are on time. We complete our work on time. We stay on task to reach our goals.</p>	<p>We are quiet during independent learning times. We allow others to stay on task. We wait our turn to speak.</p>
<p>OFFICE</p>	<p>We use the correct doors. We listen to office staff. We sign in and out, when we are late or leaving early. We return to class straight away.</p>	<p>We bring one person only with us to first aid. We sign our mobile phone in and out. We place all payments and forms in the post box.</p>	<p>We wait until the first aid adult invites us in. We enter the office quietly. We wait our turn.</p>
<p>PLAY AREAS / OUTDOORS</p>	<p>We walk on ramps. We stay in the correct play areas. We leave sticks, rocks and stones on the ground.</p>	<p>We move to the Module as soon as the music starts. We ask the yard duty teacher for help if needed. We bring our equipment and belongings in after play.</p>	<p>We discuss, agree to and follow the rules of the game. We accept or decline politely others' playing choices.</p>
<p>ICT</p>	<p>We only use sites on Bookmarks. We use our own log in details. We keep our passwords private. We walk with our Chromebook.</p>	<p>We adhere to the ICT user agreement. We carry our Chromebook as instructed. We return our Chromebook to the charging area. We plug in the charger.</p>	<p>We remove our earbuds when the teacher is giving instructions. We half-close the lid when the teacher is speaking. We keep our hands off the keyboard when the teacher is giving instructions.</p>



# JAMES COOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## MATRIX OF EXPECTATIONS

Our goal is to build successful and responsible learners, in a safe and respectful environment.



# LOST PROPERTY ANNOUNCEMENT

There are a number of clothing items currently in lost property.

If your child is missing any clothing, you may visit your child's module in between 3:00 - 3:15pm.



To assist with the return of misplaced items, we kindly ask that all children's uniforms and belongings are clearly labelled.

Labelling can be done using a black permanent marker or iron-on labels. This simple step greatly reduces the likelihood of items being lost or unclaimed.



# FOOD PANTRY

Every Monday

3.00pm - 3.30pm

Module 4

# Community News

**iROCK**  
MUSIC SCHOOL



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# AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMS

FIRST SESSION = FREE TRIAL



**DAY & TIME**

Mon & Wed  
5:30-6:30pm

**AGE**

5-11  
Years old

**PRICE**

\$15/  
session



Springvale Indoor Sports

**REGISTER**



# PARTIES

**SPACE JUMP PARTY**

\$250/10 KIDS

**SPORTS PARTY**

\$300/10 KIDS

**DODGEMCAR PARTY**

\$310/10 KIDS

**BUBBLE SOCCER PARTY**

\$320/10 KIDS

**NERF PARTY**

\$320/10 KIDS

**LASER TAG PARTY**

\$320/10 KIDS



# Conversational English

**Doveton Library**  
Learn English at

## Dates

Wednesdays  
5.45pm – 7.45pm  
During school  
terms

## Details:

Gain English skills to help you communicate and participate in the Australian community, in a friendly, welcoming environment.

## Expression of Interest for Term 2

- Book online at:  
**[events.connectedlibraries.org.au/event?id=207734](https://events.connectedlibraries.org.au/event?id=207734)** or scan the **QR Code**
- Phone **(03) 9792 9497**







## Food and Emergency Assistance

### Do you need food or emergency support?




We provide **material aid** for people and families experiencing crisis or emergency situations.

### ✓ What support can we provide?

-  Food hampers / pantry items when available
-  Food vouchers
-  Help with some medical prescriptions
-  Shower passes

### What to expect when you visit



Our staff and volunteers will:

-  listen to your situation (listen to you about your situation)
-  complete a short assessment
-  work with you to find the right best support available

### Ongoing support

Our funding is limited, so we will not be able to provide ongoing support. We can help you to **connect with other food relief agencies** if you need continued assistance.

### We can also help with

-  referrals to other community services & organisations
-  referrals to financial counselling for budgeting and money management
-  finding better utility providers (electricity and gas)
-  organising setting up payment plans

**Please note:** we cannot pay utility bills, but we will help you explore your options.

### Language support

Telephone Interpreter Services are available.

***You don't have to go through this alone - We're here to help.***

