



## Term 3 Week 9

We are in awe of the hard work and creativity of our students as they complete their coursework and major projects. Their efforts reflect well on themselves, their supervisors, and their teachers.

To succeed in distance education, regular communication with teachers is key. If something is unclear, or you need help getting started or staying focused, reach out to your teacher. Parents and supervisors should also inform the school if a student is unwell or unable to complete their schoolwork.

As we near the end of Term 3, our Year 12 students are gearing up for the HSC exams. This is a crucial time for revision and preparation ahead of the Term 4 exams. We wish all our Year 12s the very best as they approach this milestone and look ahead to 2025. Use the upcoming break to recharge, refocus, and get ready. Good luck to all!

## Coming Up

- Last day of term  
27 Sept 2024



- World Teachers Day  
5 Oct 2024



- HSC written exams start  
15 Oct 24



- Loud Shirt Day  
18 Oct 24



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# Primary News



In term 1, we invited Uncle Glen to suggest local animals and record their names in Bundjalung, so we could rename our Primary Studios.

What do you call a bear with no teeth

*A Gummy Bear*



Each term, we asked Primary students to vote for their favourite animal or bird by submitting a video of themselves saying its name in Bundjalung. They also created artwork to help decorate the studios.



Our first studio is called Burbi (koala)



Our second studio is Gawandi (dolphin)



Our third studio will be named Jungar (pelican), and we're excited to see the amazing Jungar artwork start rolling in! Primary students can look forward to seeing all the creations during their online lessons.



# Spring

Spring has arrived, bringing warmer weather perfect for gardening. Clean up garden beds to prepare for the growing season. Here are some gardening tips to start.



## Plant

- Sunflowers and marigolds are easy to grow and look great.
- Plant herbs like basil and mint - they're fun to grow and use in cooking.



## Prepare the soil

- Loosen the soil so plants can grow.
- Add compost or food scraps to make the soil healthier.



## Water at the right time

- Water your garden in the morning or the late afternoon when it's cooler.



## Attract Butterflies

- Plant flowers like Lavender or Bottlebrush to bring in butterflies and bees.



## Prepare the soil

- Loosen the soil so plants can grow.
- add compost or food scraps to make the soil healthier.

## Grow Veggies

- Try planting quick-growing veggies like lettuce, cherry tomatoes or radishes.

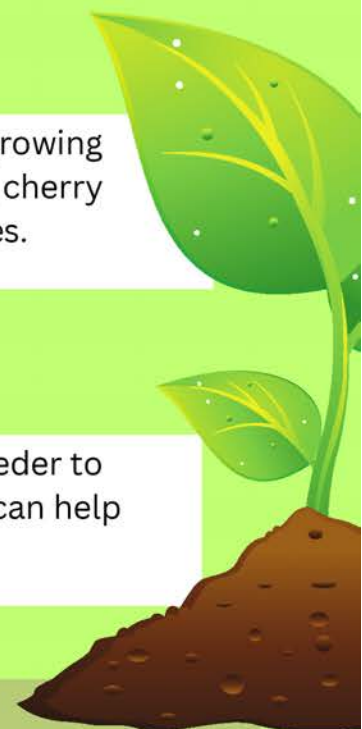
## Use Mulch

- Mulch helps keep the soil wet so you don't have to water as often.



## Invite Wildlife

- Add a birdbath or feeder to attract birds, which can help with garden pests.





# Loud Shirt Day

Wear it LOUD for kids  
with hearing loss

18 October



Loud Shirt Day



**Loud Shirt Day is set for Friday, October 18, 2024.**  
Ready to turn up the volume on fun and inclusivity? Let's make this day as loud and colourful as possible—because every child deserves to be heard and celebrated!  
Plus, who doesn't love an excuse to wear their most vibrant, out-there shirt? It's the perfect chance to promote inclusivity in the most stylish way possible!  
So, wear your best and brightest shirt for a day full of laughter, creativity, and a splash of colour, all while supporting kids with hearing loss.





# Free home internet for eligible families



The Australian Government's offer of free home internet until 31 December 2025 is still available for families with school aged students who have not had an active nbn® network internet service in the previous 14 days through its School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI).

## Who is eligible for the SSBI Program?

The SSBI aims to help families with school-aged children who may be struggling with cost-of-living issues and are unable to maintain a broadband internet connection at home. To be eligible for the SSBI, families must:

- have a child living at home that is enrolled in an Australian school (from Kindergarten up to Year 12 in NSW)
- not have an active nbn® network internet service in the previous 14 days – having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility
- live in a premises that can access a standard nbn service
- either be referred by a Nominating Organisation or have your suitability determined via an assessment conducted by the National Referral Centre (NRC).

## How can families check their eligibility?

Families can check their eligibility by following these simple steps:

Contact the National Referral Centre (NRC), operated by Anglicare Victoria, on 1800 954 610, visit their website or email them at [studentinternet@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:studentinternet@anglicarevic.org.au)



# HISTORY



## A Journey Through Time: History Excursion to Sydney



L-R: Nat Ertz, Latrelle Duncan, Bridie Morris, Mikaela Harries, Joseph Ameer

In Term 2, our Year 12 Ancient, Modern, and Extension History students embarked on an unforgettable excursion to Sydney, bringing their classroom lessons to life. Ancient History students delved deep into the past at the Chau Chak Wing Museum, where they had the rare opportunity to handle authentic archaeological artefacts from ancient Egypt and Greece.



Meanwhile, Modern History students experienced a deeply moving visit to the Sydney Jewish Museum, where they heard firsthand accounts from Holocaust survivors via interactive AI. Students also attended the HTA NSW HSC Study Days at the University of Sydney, gaining valuable insights and tips for their upcoming exams.

The adventure didn't end there. Students also had the opportunity to explore Darling Harbour and Circular Quay soaking in the iconic views of Sydney's harbor. They also wandered through the historical Rocks area, where they could witness firsthand the fascinating blend of Sydney's colonial history with its modern-day culture.

It was a memorable trip that left everyone inspired, informed, and (fingers crossed) feeling ready to tackle their upcoming HSC exams! - Patricia Lemos, Jemma Bayliss and Andrew Jackson



# 10 top study tips

## Make a study plan

- Plan study sessions of 25-30 minutes with breaks.
- Prioritize subjects needing the most focus.
- Adhere to your plan but allow for adjustments.

## Active Learning

- Summarise your learning in your own words.
- Teach someone else for better understanding.
- Practice with past exams to familiarize with the format.

## Stay organised

- Keep your study space tidy.
- Organize notes and materials for easy access.

## Memory Aids

- Employ mnemonics for key facts.
- Create mind maps for visual idea connections.
- Utilise flashcards for information review.

## Take care of yourself

- Get 8 hours of sleep.
- Eat healthy meals and snacks.
- Exercise to reduce stress.

## Ask for help

- If you're stuck, ask a teacher or classmate for help.
- Group study can also be useful.



## Stay positive

- Focus on how far you've come.
- Avoid last-minute cramming.

## Manage your time

- Prioritize important tasks and subjects.
- Break big tasks into smaller ones.
- Use timers to stay focused.

## Take breaks

- Step away from studying for a few minutes to relax and recharge.

## Exam day tips

- Arrive early and relax.
- Read instructions carefully.
- Pace yourself, starting with the easiest questions.



# Calendar 2024

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## Key dates

\* Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.



### Term start and end dates\*

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January to 12 April



Term 1 (Western): 6 February to 12 April

Term 2: 29 April to 5 July

Term 3: 22 July to 27 September

Term 4: 14 October to 20 December

### School development days, students do not attend

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January and 31 January

Term 1 (Western): 6 February and 7 February

Term 2: 29 April

Term 3: 22 July

Term 4: 19 December and 20 December

### School vacation dates

Summer (Eastern): 20 December 2023 to 29 January 2024

Summer (Western): 20 December 2023 to 5 February 2024

Autumn: 15 April to 26 April

Winter: 8 July to 19 July

Spring: 30 September to 11 October

Summer (Eastern): 23 December 2024 to 30 January 2025

Summer (Western): 23 December 2024 to 6 February 2025



### Public holidays



### Scan me for key dates

Help your child get the most out of their school year and to explore our resources, [education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers](https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers)



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School zone speed limits apply on all school days, including school development days.

