

### Weekly Principal's Award



Shikaiya Tippet

For an excellent week's work  
and kindness to others

# Hargraves Public School



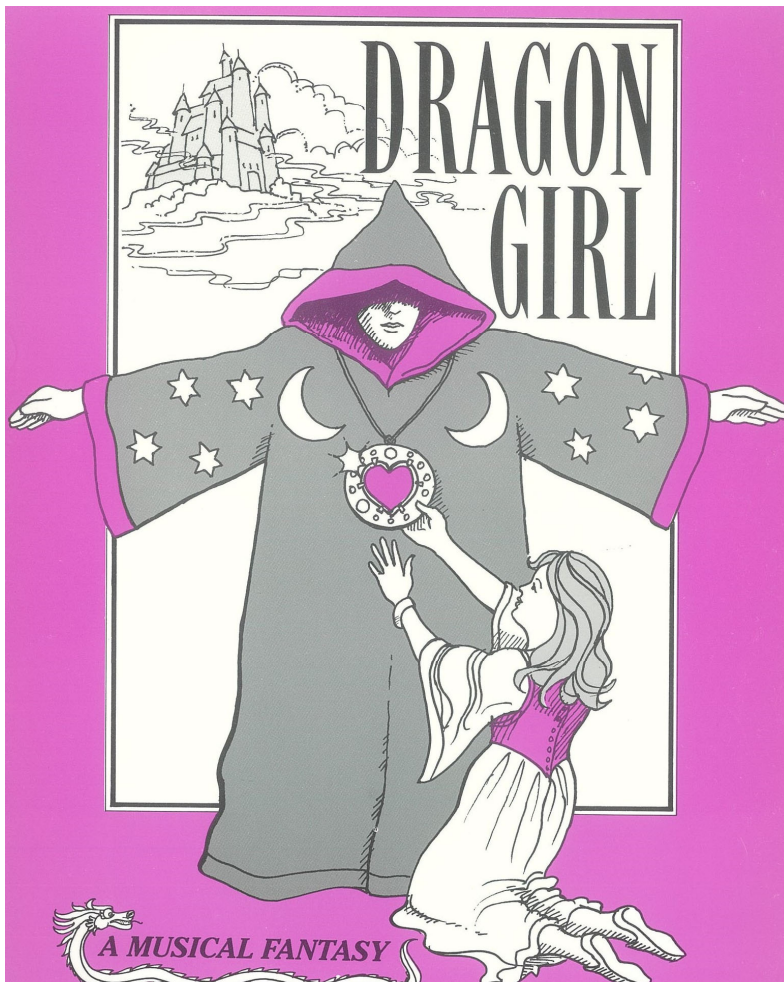
**We're off to Dubbo Zoo** on Tuesday 8 December and Wednesday 9 December. Cost for this excursion will be \$30 per child. If you paid earlier in the year for the zoo excursion that was cancelled, your money will be carried over for this trip.

A Remembrance Day Service conducted by Colin Shapland and Year 6 will be held on Wednesday 11 at the Court House commencing at 10.45 am.

All welcome.

Social distancing rules will apply.

6 November 2020



This will be held on Friday 20 November in the Hargraves Hall under a Covid Safety plan. Tickets will be allocated to families on a 'first in first served' basis to ensure social distancing for all adults.

- If your child is unwell, **DO NOT** send them to school—this includes runny nose and sore throat
- If they are unwell at school you or your nominated emergency contact will need to collect them immediately
- **Parents are still not able to come into the school without prior arrangement.**



**Student of the Week – Serenity Tippet**

For creativity and concentration during  
informative writing



**Student of the Week – Cassie Condren**

For using excellent adjectives in writing



**Student of the Week – Katalia Dennis**

For improvement in reading comprehension

## Changes to Staff Development Days in 2021

In support of a smooth start to the 2021 school year and to ensure that time is given to high impact professional learning for staff in developing our school's Strategic Improvement Plan, the following amendments to School Development Days (SDDs) will take effect from the beginning of the 2021 school year. The amendments will impact the number of SDDs occurring in Terms 1 and 4, while SDDs occurring in Terms 2 and 3 will remain the same. Commencing at the start of 2021, the changes include:

- an increase from one to two SDDs at the commencement of Term 1
- a decrease from two to one SDDs at the end of Term 4.

The School Development Days are scheduled for the following dates:

- 27 and 28 January, with students returning on 29 January 2021.

### External Validation

This week, I met with a panel to share our self-assessment for the Department of Education External Validation. It was the culmination of months of gathering data, evaluating practices and celebrating all the wonderful things we do at Hargraves Public School. It was a very affirming process in that it reminds us that we provide our students with so many wonderful learning opportunities. It was also a thought-provoking process as it questioned how we can improve our practices. When we assess ourselves, we rate ourselves in one of four areas (Working towards Delivering, Delivering, Sustaining and Growing, and Excelling) against 14 elements of the school excellence framework. Our very pleasing validation results are captured in this table below. A big thanks to all the staff who worked so hard on this evaluation.

Jane Rae

Element name	School Assessment	EV Assessment
Learning Culture	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Wellbeing	Sustaining and Growing	Excelling
Curriculum	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Assessment	Delivering	Delivering
Reporting	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Student performance measures	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Effective classroom practice	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Data skills and use	Delivering	Delivering
Professional standards	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Learning and development	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Educational leadership	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
School planning, implementation and reporting	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
School resources	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing
Management practices and processes	Sustaining and Growing	Sustaining and Growing

## TERM 4 —2020 CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	9	10	11 Remembrance Day Service 10.45 am	12	13
6	16 Year 6 half day transition to MHS	17 P & C Meeting 2 pm	18	19 Staff Planning Day	20 Play Night
7	23	24	25	26	27
8	30 Swimming lessons at Mudgee pool	1 December Swimming lessons at Mudgee pool	2 Swimming lessons at Mudgee pool MHS Orientation day for Year 6 entering Year 7 2021	3 Swimming lessons at Mudgee pool	4 Swimming lessons at Mudgee pool Nugget News Deadline
9	7	8 Zoo Snooze at Taronga Western Plains Zoo Dubbo	9 Zoo Snooze	10	11
10	14 Presentation evening	15 Pool picnic			