



National
Simultaneous
Storytime 2025

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Hargraves Public School



23/5/25

School Vision At Hargraves Public School we strive to prepare all students to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens ready to meet the challenges of the future. In partnership with families and community, our goal is to deliver high quality, differentiated learning experiences that challenge all students to perform at their highest potential and develop the knowledge, critical thinking skills, and resilience necessary to succeed in a technologically advanced world.

PBL Focus: Be Safe—Keep hands, feet and objects to self



National Simultaneous Storytime we joined over 2 million students from across Australia on Wednesday as part of the National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) initiative. NSS is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously around the country. In its 25th year, the initiative is aimed at promoting the value of reading and literacy. This year's text, *The Truck Cat*, by Deborah Field and Danny Snell was a beautiful choice and our students loved it. The junior class used the text as inspiration to explore themes of memories, specifically looking at fragrances related to memories.

Gulgong Eisteddfod A huge thank you to Mrs Rae for all her work with preparing students for the Gulgong Eisteddfod. Hargraves will feature our choir, recorder ensembles and djembe groups at this year's eisteddfod. Thank you to everyone who has returned the note and money for this excursion. Non bus students are asked to be at school by 8.30. Second bus students will be picked up at normal time on route to Gulgong. We aim to time the afternoon drop off on the way back to Hargraves. Any change to that will be advised by text on the day.
Students are asked to be in full winter school uniform, including black shoes where possible. Expected start time 10am

Tree Trimming as part of the school maintenance program, we have had arborists on site addressing the safety and integrity of the trees in and around the playground. Excess garden mulch from the tree work is now available for anyone wanting collect it at the back of the Rec Ground.

School Uniforms please ensure your child's name is written on their jumpers and jackets. With the colder weather around, we have found a few items of clothing that have not been labelled which makes it difficult to return to the right student.

Pie Drive attached to this weeks newsletter from 1st Mudgee Scott Group is a pie order form, if you would like to order please return form and money back to the office.

Weekly Awards

Each week a student of the week will be selected. This student will have demonstrated enthusiasm for learning, produced some wonderful work or been kind and thoughtful in some way.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK




Gypsy

Well Done Awardees



Lochlan and Beau

Hargraves Public School Term 2 2025						
WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
5 May	26	27 Gulgong Eisteddfod 	28	29	30	31/1
6 June	2	3	4 Mrs Endacott meeting –Kandos	5	6	7/8
7 June	9 June long weekend	10 Mrs Endacott per- sonal leave	11 Mrs Endacott personal leave	12	13	14/15
8 June	16`	17	18	19	20 Small Schools Public Speaking -Mudgee	21/22
9 June	23	24 NAIDOC Cele- brations at Hargraves	25 FOIM live stream rehearsal	26	27	28/29
10 June/July	30	1	2 Small Schools Athletics Carnival Mudgee	3	4 Last day of Term 2 Term 2 Excursion to Wellington Caves	5/6

Great Work Alert

During Literacy lessons this term, our senior students have been learning about a range of literary devices used in poetry. This week the students were tasked with using literary devices to describe a colour without mentioning the actual name of the colour. They used the names of paint colour chips as their inspiration. Mrs Blackman was thrilled with the work the students produced. These are too good not to share ...

Beau – Periwinkle ‘Periwinkle is a midnight bat searching for blood’

Savannah – Canary Song ‘Canary Song is a calming, gentle press on a piano key’

Cassie – Rich Lavender ‘Rich lavender is the first sight of a field of bright, beautiful violets swaying in the cool breeze’

R-Jay- Banana Peel ‘Banana peel is like freshly painted highway lines newly marked’

Ewan – Russian Winter ‘Russian winter is an enlightened ice spark of hope’

Metallic Sunburst ‘Metallic Sunburst is like a final kiss of afternoon sunset’