



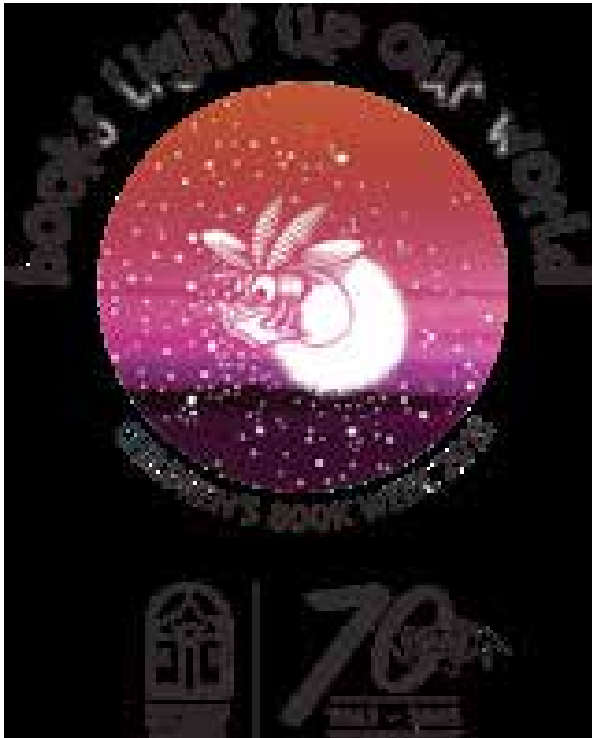
# ST JOHN'S

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## St John's Newsletter

Term 3 Week 2 - Tuesday 22nd July 2015

Head of St John's Ms Shannon Rosewood



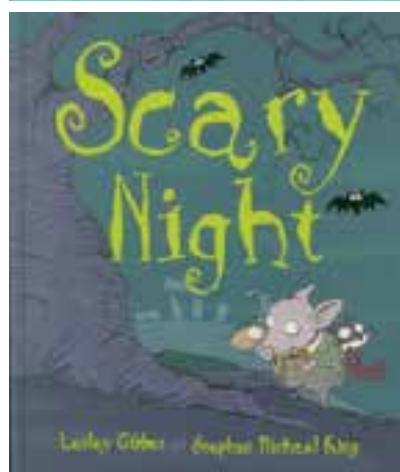
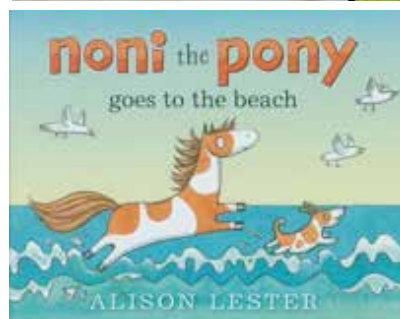
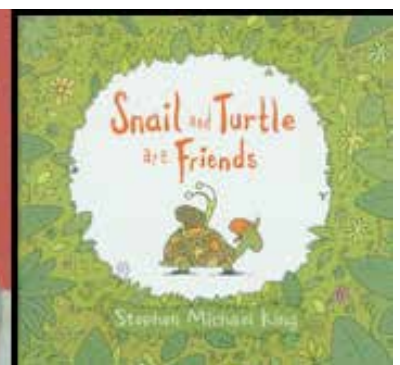
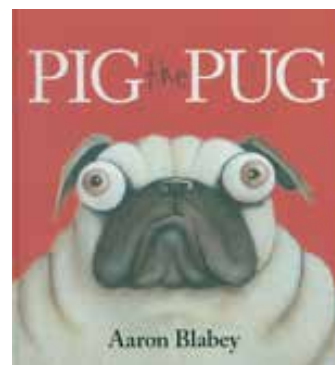
### Book Week ~ Saturday 22 August - Friday 28 August 2015 Books light up our world

Each year, schools and public libraries across Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. Classroom teachers, teacher librarians and public librarians develop activities, offer competitions and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading.

Students from Transition to Year 6 will have access to all the amazing shortlisted books in the various categories for Book of the Year Awards – Early Childhood. Picture Book of the Year, Younger Readers, Older Readers and Information Books. Visit the CBC website to get ideas for your next book purchase for your child.

The books are all available to be borrowed at the Library at the conclusion of our Book Week Activities. We will celebrate with a dress up day (come as your favourite character) and special Assembly on Friday 28 August.

Short listed early childhood books include these amazing titles -



I hope you have been enjoying the Junior School Wellbeing Challenge. I know the Junior School staff have! Look for the gratitude jars in each classroom. Consider adding a special comment about your child or their teacher.

### STEM in the Junior School

On Wednesday 22nd July, students from our school (year 3-6) were lucky enough to have had the opportunity of participating in an Out of the Box Workshop. They experienced Maths as they have never seen it before...

**Inquisitive Minds** is a Sydney based educational business, which focuses on creating positive mathematical experiences for students in Primary and Secondary Schools. The Mathematical Association of NSW is the professional body for mathematics teachers. Their innovative workshops reinforce classroom learning and have been designed to improve students' attitude and performance in Maths.

As a joint initiative, they have developed an in school activity named **Out of the Box**. During this incursion, students participated in an interactive lesson on strategic problem solving. They then worked on a series of original problems in a hands-on maths relay. **Out of the Box** workshops focus on WORKING MATHEMATICALLY. Students engage in 'fun' hands-on problem solving as they learn new strategies and work together in a problem-solving relay.

**ENGAGE** with maths activities and brain teasers which demonstrate the value of approaching problems strategically.

**LEARN** a range of problem solving strategies in an interactive mini-lesson

**SELECT AND APPLY** appropriate problem solving strategies as they participate in a hands-on Maths relay.

We are very much looking forward to sharing in the next Newsletter, the amazing work completed on this day.

### Calling all LEGO

As our students are forced indoors more regularly during cold and rainy morning tea and lunch times, we find that constructive activities like LEGO help them to enjoy this free playtime when normally they would be active outside. LEGO asks students to think in creative ways to build and construct whilst sharing materials and discussing their decisions with their friends. What a fantastic way to build spatial awareness and understanding of engineering. We have some LEGO resources but maybe you have an unloved collection in your house that could find a new home at St John's. All donations of construction toys welcome, as well as Chess sets or board games.



### Important Dates this Term

TERM 3 10 weeks

Kindergarten (2016) and Year 7 (2017) Experience Days  
Gymnastics – Day 5 every fortnight starting 24 July (T – 6)

St John's Social at TAS (20 August)

Book Week (24 August)

Science Day (24 August)

DaVinci Decathlon Team (28 August)

Transition – Father's Day morning tea (3 September)

JS Grandparents Day (4 Sept and **Musical Matinee**)

Spring Fair (5 Sept)

**St John's Musical (4 Sept and evening performance 10 Sept)**

Year 6 Social at PLC (4 September)


Maths Olympiads (29 July, 19 Aug)

ICAS English (28 Aug)

ICAS Maths (11 August)

End Term 3 (17 Sept)

**Please note the change of dates for the school Musical Three Little Pigs - to avoid clashes with Year 12 celebration at the conclusion of Term 3 and to coincide with Grandparents Day. Tickets are available from trybookings and NEGS Reception.**




St John's Junior School presents


# Roald Dahl's

## 3 little pigs

By Roald Dahl, Ana Sanderson, Matthew White and Paul Patterson  
By arrangement with A & C Black Music, exclusive representatives of Bloomsbury Publishing

Where: NEGS Assembly Hall  
When: 4 September (2pm)  
10 September (6:30pm)  
Tickets: Adults \$10,  
Children \$5 (Under 5 free)  
Family \$20



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[www.trybooking.com/147166](http://www.trybooking.com/147166)  
or NEGS Reception 67748700

## Assembly Awards @ St John's

Congratulations to the following children who received awards in the Week 1 Assembly:

### Personal Best Awards

K - Bella Drayton  
 1/2 - Siena Hays  
 3/4 - Eloise Gooch  
 5 - Lilly Green  
 6 - Matilda Hall

### St John's Star

K - Lillian Meredith  
 1/2 - Ruyuf Almalki  
 3/4 - Ava Loudon  
 5 - Chloe Moore  
 6 - Isabella Gooch

## Armidale Athletics and Armidale Little Athletics

*hold field event training every Sunday at 3pm, Harris Park.*

It is free and open to all school students in preparation for upcoming school athletic carnivals.

Should anyone have any questions, please contact  
 Collette Gooch 0427 752 022, or  
 check out the clubs' facebook pages

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# ARMIDALE TRAINING CAMP

WED JULY 29	THUR JULY 30	FRI JULY 31
<b>5PM PLAYER APPEARANCE</b> McDONALDS ARMIDALE	<b>4PM JUNIOR TRAINING CLINIC</b> ROLOGAS FIELDS FREE, 6-16 YEARS	<b>6PM TRIAL MATCH</b> (JETS A vs JETS B) CONSETT DAVIS FIELDS SPORTUNE
<b>6PM WELCOME DINNER</b> ARMIDALE BOWLING CLUB \$20 ADULT / \$10 CHILD	ADVICE & TIPS FROM A-LEAGUE PLAYERS <b>REGISTER ONLINE</b>	NATIONAL CALIBRE FOOTBALL IN ARMIDALE <b>FREE ENTRY</b>

for more information and a full list of events visit [sportune.com.au](http://sportune.com.au)

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# Staff Training with Mrs McCann



## Play - One Way To Create A Genius

A very excited Mrs McCann returned from Sydney with a wealth of new ideas to share with the Junior school staff. So she created her very own preschool for adults to show case some of her fabulous new inspirational ideas..... Just see how excited the staff were.