

Term 4 Week 2- 7th- 17th October, 2025

Upcoming Events

October

- 30 Grandparents Day
- 31 Day for Daniel

November

- 5 Biannual Art Show
- 13 P & C
- 19 Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
- 21 School Leaver's Ceremony

Our school improvement priorities for 2025

- Pedagogy & Curriculum
- Wellbeing & Engagement

PBL Lesson of the Week

WEEK 1

- I am safe- Keep others safe

WEEK 2

- I am kind- be respectful

Attendance Data

Early Years: 85%
Middle Years: 80%
Junior Secondary: 83%
Senior: 89%

A note from the Principal ...

Dear families and friends of Southport Special School,

Term 4 is going to be another busy term full of lots of great events including Grandparent's Day, Day for Daniel, Biannual Art Show, Years 6 and 12 Graduations as well as the School Leavers Ceremony, Music Mates Concert, End of Year Concert and the PBL Splash Celebration Day.

Progress towards our school improvement priorities continues with great momentum. All students are engaged in the explicit teaching of Systematic Synthetic Phonics and Language Comprehension through shared reading experiences. Data sets indicate high levels of student engagement and progress with their decoding skills. Whilst Language Comprehension is also developing, this aspect continues to be more challenging for our students. To address this challenge in learning as well as supporting those students that are not progressing in their learning, the Literacy Team has commenced developing Multi-tiered Systems of Support.

The leadership team recently participated in the first Strategic Planning Day in preparation for 2026. This was a highly productive day in which we identified our priorities for 2026 which still require refinement and the development of action plans and associated organisational structure.

The Honourable John-Paul Langbroek MP will be visiting our school on November 21 at 9:30 – 10:15. The Minister will be greeted by our school leaders, be entertained by our drummers, and take a walk to view the proposed new Middle Years Outdoor Learning Area.

Our Early Years play area has had a new fence and gate installed. This exciting upgrade replaces the old green fence and creates a safe and secure learning and play space for our students to enjoy.

New vegetation has been planted in the carpark along the Smith Street fence line which forms part of the school boundary. We look forward to the erection of our fence shortly.

Warm regards

Susan Kirman

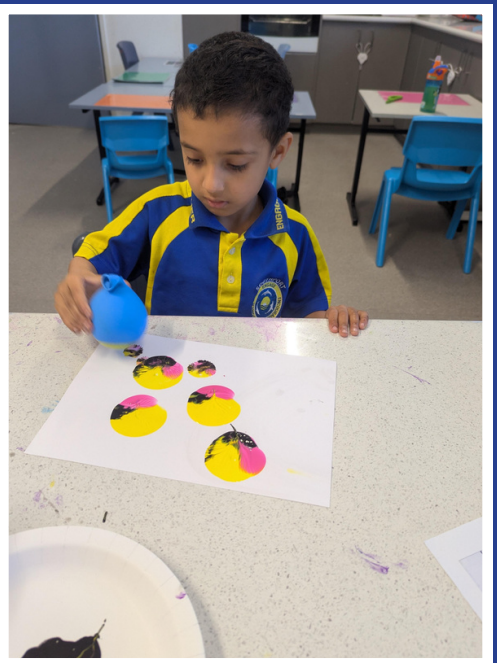
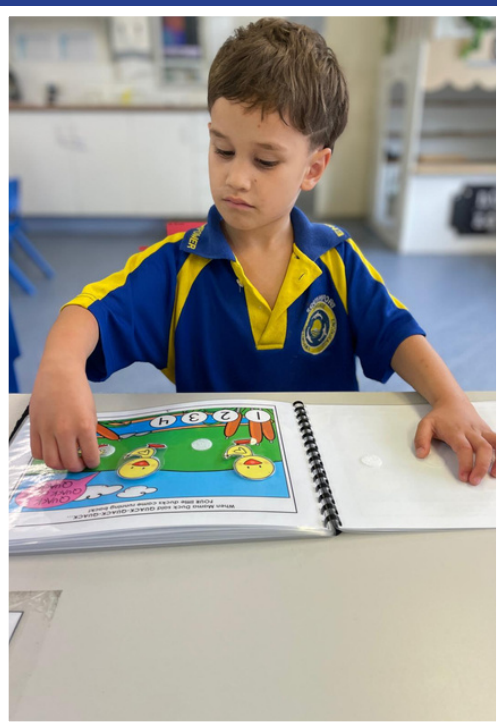




EARLY YEARS TEAM

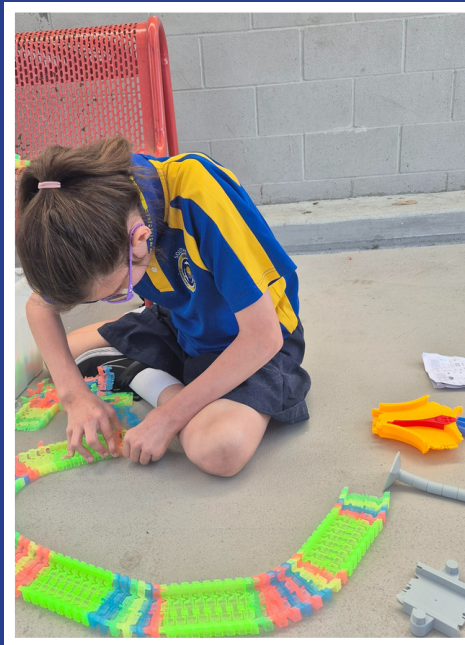
It's been wonderful to see our students return with such enthusiasm and energy for Term 4. We've had a fun and positive start, jumping straight back into learning with smiles all around. Music lessons have started again, and we're excited to begin our swimming program this Thursday – a highlight for many of our students!

We're also proud to share that our students have made a fantastic start by following our school rules by being safe, kind, learners. It's set a great tone for a busy term ahead, and we're looking forward to many more moments of growth, achievement, and celebration throughout Term 4.



MIDDLE YEARS TEAM

Welcome back for Term 4! We've been busy practicing our social skills during play and in our HPE lessons by taking turns and working together. Some students have enjoyed a range of fun Maths activities, including Roll & Build, Dot Flash and Dominoes, to help strengthen their number skills. Others have been learning new songs in Music with Miss Sue. It's been a great start to the term, and we're looking forward to settling back into our routines and continuing our learning together.



JUNIOR SECONDARY TEAM

Welcome Back to Term 4!

We hope all our families had a restful and enjoyable holiday break together. It's been lovely to see our students return with big smiles, ready to jump back into the term.

As we settle back into our routines, students are continuing to engage in exciting learning experiences across the school. In Junior Secondary, we've hit the ground running with SSP, shared reading, and other rich learning activities designed to support growth and confidence.

The classrooms are full of creativity and curiosity once again! A special highlight this term – Junior Secondary is busy creating some incredible masterpieces for our upcoming Biannual Art Show. We can't wait to share their beautiful work with you all soon!

Here's to a fantastic Term 4 ahead!



SENIOR TEAM

Welcome Back from the Senior School Team!

What a fantastic start to the term!

Our Year 12 students kicked things off with an adventurous visit to the Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre, where they explored the Gold Coast's natural wonders and discovered a range of free community activities to enjoy.



Meanwhile, our Year 11 students spent a beautiful day at the Gold Coast Botanic Gardens, showing impressive teamwork as they fired up the barbeque, cooked delicious sausages, and set up a welcoming lunch space for everyone to share.

Term 4 is shaping up to be an exciting one, with plenty of events and activities on the horizon. We look forward to celebrating and sharing the highlights of our final term for 2025.





Grandparents **DAY**

THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER 2025
10AM-11:45AM

RSVP: FRIDAY, 24TH OCTOBER

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We are excited
to welcome
Grandparents
and significant
others to
Southport
Special School

Event Highlights

- + INTRODUCTION TO
SHARED READING
- + CLASSROOM VISITS
- + MORNING TEA

Please include
names of people
attending as well as
the students name
when RSVPing

