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## Newsletter 03

3rd May 2024

### Amazing Shake

This week, we completed our first 3 rounds of the 'Amazing Shake' competition.

Students did an outstanding job as part of this student leadership and development competition. 'The Amazing Shake' is a 'soft-skills' competition that encourages students to show off basic but highly important skills like using eye contact when speaking, having a good handshake, being able to carry on a conversation (not preteen grunts), good body language and a neat and tidy appearance. If you think of how you would appear and act at a job interview, you have a good idea of what we hope our students to get out of the competition. Students have learnt many of these skills in leadership sessions earlier in the year and on camp.

Our first round was held at school with all Year 6 students competing in 'The Gauntlet', a round of 10 impromptu scenarios where students were asked to speak and act for one minute per scenario. 3 of these were prepared but 7 of them were unknown to the students as they had to think on their feet. All students performed so well and achieved many personal milestones. The buzz of excitement once they finished was tangible! Students reported how fun it was and how they wanted to do it again! What was initially a daunting task, again gave our students the opportunity to shine and to continue to develop the very important interpersonal and leadership skills that will help prepare them for the future.

From our large group of around 70 students, 20 made it to the next round 'The Circle of Doom' where students were asked to hold a conversation in turn with 23 volunteers.

Each round students are scored on a range of criteria including handshake, presentation, confidence, adaptability and even the 'je ne sais quoi/there's something about this person' quality.

From 20 we progressed to a Top 12 this year. 10 of these amazing students had the opportunity to present their allocated persuasive speeches on current council 'hot topics' such as 'should E-scooters be banned?' to the Mayor, Mrs Helen Blackburn and to Councillors Larine Statham-Blair and Gary Kirk. They did an incredible job and even had the opportunity to wear the Mayoral Chains on the day. We are still awaiting two final student presentations before we select our Top 5 and look forward to announcing them sometime next week.

The Top 5 will go on to compete in a secret challenge in Week 5.

One of the big take aways from both Mr Jordan and myself was the genuine way each of our Top 12 competitors supported each other throughout this process. As you can imagine, it was a daunting experience and to see the comradery and support for one another that our students showed was a testament to their character and the sense of community evident throughout our student leader cohort.

I would like to extend an enormous thanks to Mr Jordan and our volunteers for making this incredibly valuable opportunity possible for students. These events don't happen without significant support and someone to lead the charge.

Check out our pictures later in the newsletter for more 'Amazing Shake' action.



## Learning Highlights:

This week I enjoyed learning walks and talks in 2A, 2B, 5B and 5/6C. I enjoyed hearing about the different strategies 5B students were using to support their multiplication learning. They used a range of strategies and were able to demonstrate their mathematical thinking. It showed just how you can arrive at the same answer many different ways!

Well done also to 2B who were practising their place value work, writing numbers with hundreds, tens and ones!

2A was working on their fairy-tale story as part of their English unit, learning about the types of attributes characters can have in a story. They were exploring attributes, actions, qualities and thoughts as they read a traditional fairy-tale with Mrs T this week. They will use these to support their own writing as they progress through their unit of work.

When I visited 5/6C, Yr 6 students were rehearsing their speeches for The Amazing Shake with their relief teacher, Mr Dingley. It was fantastic to see students supporting each other and to hear the wonderful prepared speeches written by our students! Well done 5/6C!

## Cross Country Champions



Congratulations to Moore House for their Cross Country win last week! Indica and Thea our Moore House champions were thrilled to accept the trophy on behalf of Moore House.



It was a close finish with only 10 points difference between first and second place. Congratulations to Grimwood for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Steffensen for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Congratulations also to our age champions; Millie, Toby, Jacob, Anna-Lee, Pim, Starla, Jack and Indica.

Best of luck and to our age champions and to our other place getters Clancy, Isabelle, Elijah A, Baylee C, Sebastien P and Lilah W who will go on to compete at the upcoming District Cross Country trials. We wish you all the best!



### Colour Explosion Fun Run: LESS THAN 1 WEEK TO GO!

Our major student fundraiser, the **Colour Explosion Fun Run** was launched last term and we are so grateful to the many families and students who have already created their fundraising profile and have started fundraising!

The **date is next week, May 9<sup>th</sup>** and all funds raised for the school support the reduction of camp and excursion costs for families this year.

There are lots of fundraising incentives and prizes for the highest fundraiser and fundraising class. Current top 5 class fundraisers so far are:

Not all students have set up their fundraising profile so head over to <https://australianfundraising.com.au/> to set up your child's profile and get started today!

We need your help! If you would like to help set up the course and help on the day, please contact Mr Peter Johnson, our PE teacher, who is coordinating the event: [pjohn65@eq.edu.au](mailto:pjohn65@eq.edu.au)



### Top Classes

Rank	Class
1st	Prep B
2nd	Year 4B
3rd	Year 6A
4th	Year 1/2C
5th	Year 3C



## Staffing News

Unfortunately, Mr Cahill will be taking some extended leave for the rest of this year. We thank Mrs Maggie Hains who has stepped in to support our choir and teach music over the past few weeks. Mrs Hains has gone above and beyond to support our students and school and we say 'thank you'. Unfortunately, Mrs Hains has plans in the future and is unable to take up the longer contract. We will have a relief teacher in Music next week and are working with HR for a longer term solution. We will advise with any further updates as available.

We also extend a heartfelt thank you to Mrs Joy Paap who has been teaching 5A while Mrs Duff has been on a long-awaited overseas holiday. Mrs Paap has also gone above and beyond in supporting 5A and we say, Thank you! We look forward to seeing Mrs Duff back next week and to hearing about all her overseas adventures!

## Mother's Day Stall

Our annual Mother's Day stall was a wonderful success again today!

A HUGE thank you to our army of volunteers, led by our fabulous P&C President Mrs Gemma O'Shanesy and Vice President, Mrs Casey Campbell for making today possible. The smiles and excitement as children selected special gifts for their special someone is always such a wonderful experience and we thank ALL our volunteers for helping out.



A very special thank you must go to Mrs Angela Key and her mother-in-law, Jan for growing and donating some wonderful plants as part of our gift options. SPOILER ALERT!

Mums look away now!!!

Thank you for making today that much more special and for donating the time, plants and such beautifully wrapped gifts for our community. I am sure they will be much loved gifts.



## Share the Dignity Vending Machine

Our new Dignity Vending Machine has now been installed in our school library bathroom. This is a wonderful addition to our school to support students and staff and will provide free sanitary products to anyone (students, staff, community members) who needs them from now and in to the future.

We are very grateful for the grant from *Share the Dignity* initiative and if you would like to know more about what they do, please check it out here: [www.sharethedignity.org.au](http://www.sharethedignity.org.au)



### Representative Sport & Kafusi Cup Change

Congratulations to Thea and Corle` who went to Hervey Bay this week representing Bundaberg U12 Girls Football (soccer)!

Well done to both of you for this fantastic sporting achievement!

Kafusi Cup dates have changed. Matches will not start until the week after next, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

A letter went home with football students today to go over all the changes so please check your child's bag for more information.









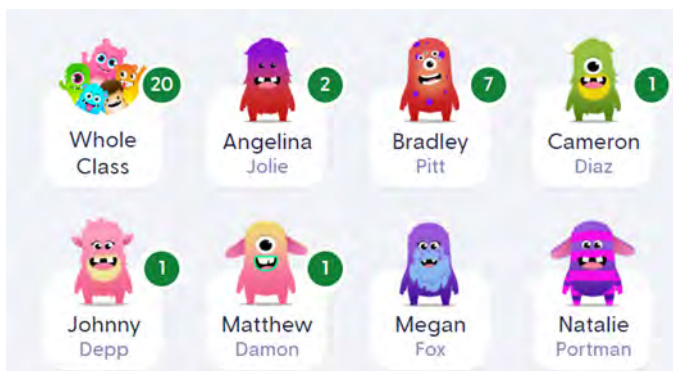
### PBL Reward System Change

From next week, we will be transitioning to ONLINE reward tracking system through Class Dojo. We will still use our trade in tickets and tokens. Instead of PBL reward charts, however we will be tracking reward points online. Our staff have discussed this as a great opportunity to refresh our PBL reward system and to reduce our impact on the environment through reduction in use of multiple cardboard or paper charts across the year.

The amount of acknowledgements won't change and students will still work towards their end of term reward activities and towards Bronze, Silver, Gold and Excellence charts. The only difference will be that points will be recorded via an engaging online format with each student hatching their own monster avatar (see example demo class below). We will transition from next week and updated online consent forms will be sent home for all families to add this online feature to our permissions.

Mrs Sambell has designed and shared a wonderful poster to support teachers and students and you may see this up around school. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to talk further with your child's teacher/s.

PBL Reward Chart – Dojo Number value			
	Start of each Term	Points required to complete each Chart.	Dojo point totals
Chart 1		50	50
Chart 2		50	100
Continue after completing Green and Pink			
Bronze Chart		50	50
Silver Chart		100	150
Gold Chart		150	300
Excellence Chart		150	450



### Next Week

Reminder that Monday is a public holiday so we look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday.

**We will hold our parade on TUESDAY afternoon instead of Monday next week from 2.10 in the hall. All parents are welcome to attend.**

Wishing everyone a lovely long weekend.

Kind regards,

Bec Rayner  
Principal



We're taking on the

**Premier's**

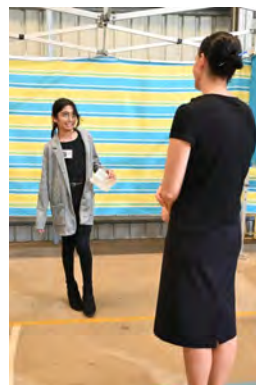
**reading challenge**



## Cross Country







# DATE CLAIMERS

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TERM 2		TERM 3		TERM 4	
<u>WEEK 1</u> 15/04/24 to 19/04/24	Tues: - Dental Van Thur & Fri: -Touch Football Wide Bay Trials -Basketball Wide Bay Trials -Swimming Trials - Dental Van	<u>WEEK 1</u> 08/07/24 to 12/07/24		<u>WEEK 1</u> 30/09/24 to 04/10/24	
<u>WEEK 2</u> 22/04/24 to 26/04/24	Mon-Tues: Power of Engineering Kepnock SHS (select students) Wed: School ANZAC Ceremony 9:15-10:00am Thur: ANZAC Day Public Holiday <b>Fri: Cross Country 9am-11am</b> Fri: Inter-school Sport (Yr 4-Yr 6)	<u>WEEK 2</u> 15/07/24 to 19/07/24	Mon-Fri: NAIDOC Week Mon-Sat: Bundaberg Eisteddfod Solo	<u>WEEK 2</u> 07/10/24 to 11/10/24	Mon: <b>King's Birthday Public Holiday</b> Fri: World Mental Health Day
<u>WEEK 3</u> 29/04/24 to 03/05/24	Mon: Taste of Ace Kepnock SHS -School Dental Van Servicing Barga- ra SS Tue: Amazing Shake Competition Wed: Student Council Free Dress Day Gold Coin Donation - <b>"Show Your Team Spirit"</b> Thur: Amazing Shake Top 10 -Bookclub Orders Due Fri: Inter-school Sport (Yr 4-Yr 6) <i>Mothers Day Stall</i>	<u>WEEK 3</u> 22/07/24 to 26/07/24	Mon-Fri: Life Education (Healthy Harold) Mon-Fri: Bundaberg Eisteddfod Ensembles	<u>WEEK 3</u> 14/10/24 to 18/10/24	
<u>WEEK 4</u> 06/05/24 to 10/05/24	National Road Safety Week 5-12 Mon: Labour Day Public Holiday Tues: <b>Premier's Reading Challenge</b> Starts <b>Wed: Kaufusi Cup-RESCHEDULED TO NEXT WEDNESDAY</b> Thur: Colour Run 1.45pm-2.45pm Fri: Inter-school Sport (Yr 4-Yr 6) <b>Prep Mother's Day Event</b> (last session)	<u>WEEK 4</u> 29/07/24 to 02/08/24	Mon-Tue: Life Education (Healthy Harold) Fri: <b>Principal's Day</b>	<u>WEEK 4</u> 21/10/24 to 25/10/24	Fri: <b>-World Teacher's Day</b> -Day for Daniel
<u>WEEK 5</u> 13/05/24 to 17/05/24	Mon-Wed: Wide Bay District Golf (12th-15th) <b>Wed: Kaufusi Cup</b> Amazing Shake Top 5 -School Photo Day Fri: Bundaberg District Cross Country Trials	<u>WEEK 5</u> 05/08/24 to 09/08/24	Thur-Fri: Bundaberg Jumps/Sprints Day	<u>WEEK 5</u> 28/10/24 to 01/11/24	Thur: -Year 3-5 Swimming -Outdoor Education Day Fri: Playgroup
<u>WEEK 6</u> 20/05/24 to 24/05/24	Wed-Fri: Year 5 Camp to Barambah Wed: National Simultaneous Story Time -Outdoor Education Day -P&C Meeting 6pm in Admin Fri: -Inter-school Sport (Yr 4-Yr 6)	<u>WEEK 6</u> 12/08/24 to 16/08/24	Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming Fri: Bullying No Way Day	<u>WEEK 6</u> 04/11/24 to 08/11/24	Thur: Outdoor Education Day
<u>WEEK 7</u> 27/05/24 to 31/05/24	Mon-Fri: Reconciliation Week Wed: Disco Thur: Show Public Holiday Fri: Interschool Sport	<u>WEEK 7</u> 19/08/24 to 23/08/24	Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming Thur: -Book Fair Thur & Fri: Year 4 Camp to Splitters Farm	<u>WEEK 7</u> 11/11/24 to 15/11/24	Mon: Remembrance Day Wed: World Kindness Day
<u>WEEK 8</u> 03/06/24 to 07/06/24	Wed: <b>-Under 8's Day</b> (9am-12pm) Thur: IWC Hearing Screening -Queensland Day	<u>WEEK 8</u> 26/08/24 to 30/08/24	Mon-Fri: Teacher Aide Appreciation Week Tue: Maths Team Challenge 9.30-1.00pm Avoca SS Wed: Prep Swimming Thur: <b>Prep Father's Day Event (last session)</b> Fri: Student Free Day	<u>WEEK 8</u> 18/11/24 to 22/11/24	Tue: <b>International Men's Day</b>
<u>WEEK 9</u> 10/06/24 to 14/06/24		<u>WEEK 9</u> 02/09/24 to 06/09/24	Mon: School Performance Tours: STEM Circus Spectacular Wed & Fri: Prep Swimming	<u>WEEK 9</u> 25/11/24 to 29/12/24	Mon: Instrumental Music Band Instruments Returned Fri: Swimming Carnival
<u>WEEK 10</u> 17/06/24 to 21/06/24	Wed: Athletics Carnival Year 3-6 Thur: Athletics Carnival all day Years P-6 Fri: PBL Rewards (middle session)	<u>WEEK 10</u> 09/09/24 to 13/09/24	Thur: R U OK Day	<u>WEEK 10</u> 02/12/24 to 06/12/24	Tue: International Day of Persons with a Disability
				<u>WEEK 11</u> 09/12/24 to 13/12/24	



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Prep A	Eliza
Prep B	Sylvia
1A	Hunter
1B	Domenic
1/2C	Jake
2A	Freya
2B	Zander
3A	Mitch
3B	Nate
3C	Monroe
4A	Dominic S
4B	Ruben
5A	Evelyn
5B	Coen
5/6C	Brianna
6A	Baylee
6B	Jonas

School assembly is on Monday afternoons in the hall at 2:10pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

## CHAPPY NEWS

It's always fun using random things for art. Today in Crafty Creations we chopped up some foam from an appliance box, and let the kids create whatever they liked. We had birthday cakes, boats, mansions, monsters, bunnies and all sorts of things.

Thanks again to our amazing helpers who turn up each week to Breakfast Club. Each week our kids jump in and take on roles, and I'm always so grateful.

I will catch you all next week. Take care, and enjoy your long weekend!

Chappy Nic



**REMINDER: PHOTO DAY IS WEDNESDAY 15th MAY**



Just a friendly reminder to families that there are outstanding payments and kindly ask that all payments please be finalised ASAP. Statements have been emailed and paper copies sent home with your student this week. Payments can be made in person at the school office via EFTPOS, correct cash, or via BPoint using the link/ or phone number listed at the bottom of your invoice. If you require a payment plan, please contact the school office on 4150 5333 or email [admin@bargarass.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@bargarass.eq.edu.au)

## YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE P&C MEETING

Our P&C meetings are a great way to:

- Meet other parents and community minded people
- Stay informed on what's happening within the school
- Learn new skills and share a laugh
- Be a part of the school's decision making process
- Support fundraising events and investment in our school

Meetings are held once a month in the school admin building.



Come along to our next meeting Wednesday 22nd May at 6pm.

## SPORTS HOUSE SHIRTS



Steffensen  
Sharks  
yellow



Moore  
Manta Rays  
red



Grimwood  
Gators  
green



In preparation for our inter-house sports carnival at the end of Term 2, we are offering free screen printing of our house logos onto a shirt supplied by you. If you would like your shirt screen printed, could you please drop it into the school office by week 6 of Term 2.

**What you need to do....**

- Please name your child's shirt to avoid accidental loss
- Please place a sheet of paper into your child's shirt & place into a plastic bag

This will help considerably in the screen printing process.





CONGRATULATIONS 3A  
FOR BEING OUR  
PBL CLASS OF THE WEEK!



CONGRATULATIONS  
FOR WINNING  
THE TIDY TURTLE AWARD!



CONGRATULATIONS 5A FOR  
BEING OUR ATTENDANCE CLASS OF  
THE WEEK!



CONGRATULATIONS  
TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE  
WEEK! KEEP UP THE AMAZING  
WORK!





# UNDER EIGHTS WEEK

Connecting To Culture Through Play

**JUNE  
5**

**BARGARA STATE  
SCHOOL  
UNDER 8'S DAY**



**SCHOOL  
SHED AND  
OVAL**

**9AM-12 NOON**



**COME AND JOIN IN PLAY-  
BASED ACTIVITIES FOR  
AGES 0 - 8.**



**BRING HAT, CLOSED  
SHOES AND A  
HEALTHY SNACK**

**ALL WELCOME**







# Premier's reading challenge

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Parents and Carers please consider entering your child/children's artwork in the

## 2024 Bundaberg Show Art Competition/Exhibition for Primary School Pupils

*Show Days – May 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>: The Public Holiday is Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup>.*

There are two divisions: **Class 6** for grades 4,5 & 6, and **Class 7** for preppies and grades 1, 2 & 3.

Both Classes are for paintings or drawings on paper, board, or canvas -any medium, any subject.

However, size of artwork is limited to A4 to ensure as many entries as possible can be accommodated within the allocated space in the Main Pavilion. Artwork on paper must be glued/taped to light cardboard to prevent curling when hung

**Entries close Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>; one entry per child.**

**Entry Fee is \$1.00**

**Prizes Money (Cash)**

<b>Class 6</b>	<b>1st \$45</b>	<b>2nd \$30</b>	<b>3rd \$15</b>
<b>Class 7</b>	<b>1st \$30</b>	<b>2nd \$20</b>	<b>3rd \$10</b>
<b>People's Choice</b>	<b>1st \$30</b>	<b>2nd \$20</b>	<b>3rd \$10</b>







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## Who should apply?

ACE students...

- Are keen and enthusiastic and have high potential in English, Mathematics, Humanities and Science
- Have demonstrated the ability to learn through self-motivation
- Are creative and high quality thinkers who engage in meaningful discussions
- Have good organizational skills, meet timelines and set their own learning goals
- Have demonstrated the ability to learn independently when provided with extra learning opportunities
- Have good interpersonal skills, enjoy working in groups and can communicate effectively in a variety of mediums
- Have consistently modelled their school's core values and expectations to a high standard

## Academic Challenge & Excellence

*The Academic Challenge and Excellence (ACE) program challenges and extends high achieving students.*

The ACE program is exclusive to Kepnock State High School and provides opportunities for highly motivated students to excel in their learning. Kepnock has created a program that delivers focused assessment and learning experiences that support the unique learning needs of talented students. Teachers who have proven success in supporting high achieving students, facilitate the programs in English, Mathematics, Humanities and Science.

Kepnock High believes that students who are focused on academic success have needs that are just as significant as any other learning group. By fostering the talents of these learners and all of our students, we create our community's next leaders and entrepreneurs.

While focusing on challenging students in the core learning areas of English, Mathematics, Humanities and Science, ACE students also study all other Key Learning Areas (KLAs) offered at the school including Languages (German or Japanese), HPE, The Arts and Technologies.

Kepnock's ACE Program operates in close partnership with the Coral Coast Cluster primary feeder schools to identify and support the learning needs of high achieving students in reaching their considerable potential.

### Expectations for ACE

Students accepted into the ACE program are expected to continually meet high standards for academic achievement, behaviour and effort. There are regular student review points across Years 7 and 8 where every ACE student's continued participation in the program is evaluated. If students are not meeting the expectations of the program, they may be asked to relinquish their position to higher performing students in non-ACE classes.

Entry into the ACE program is selective. Students wanting to apply for a place in the 2024 ACE Program need to complete an online application and submit it by 4pm Friday 14 June 2024. For further information contact the school on 41 333 888 or Mr. Peter Gear (Deputy Principal) [pgear3@eq.edu.au](mailto:pgear3@eq.edu.au)

Ms. Danni Hibbert (HOD Engagement – 7/8) [dhibb8@eq.edu.au](mailto:dhibb8@eq.edu.au)

**Applications open Monday 29 April 2024 at 4pm**

**Applications close Friday 14 June 2024 at 4pm**

**To access the Online Application Portal**

**School website:** A page will appear in the Latest News section of the Homepage

**Kepnock SHS Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/KepnockHigh/>

**Kepnock SHS Instagram:**

<https://www.instagram.com/kepnockstatehighschool/>





## Bursary Applications

Year 6 students who have demonstrated talents in **academic**, **cultural** or **sporting** pursuits are invited to apply for one of four bursaries sponsored by the Kepnock P&C Association. Successful applicants receive financial support for Years 7 and 8 (conditions apply).

Bursary winners will demonstrate exceptional ability in one of the following three categories:

**Sporting** - Demonstrated high standards in School sports, team sports, athletics, swimming, club or individual pursuits

**Academic** - Achieved excellent grades across all subject areas as well as high results in external competitions (e.g. Mathematics, Science and English)

Students are required to submit an application that highlights their talents in one or more of the above fields. All applications are reviewed and shortlisted for a final decision. It is an expectation that all bursary winners will maintain consistently high levels of achievement in their academic and extra-curricular pursuits. They will also be expected to demonstrate the school values to a high standard at all times.

Students wanting to apply for a Bursary need to complete an online application and submit it by 4 pm Friday 16 June 2023.

## Sports Development Program

The Sports Development Program (SDP) is a challenge HPE program that exposes students to fitness programs, nutrition, coaching techniques, sports science, sports psychology and a range of sporting skills. Sports may include, but are not restricted to swimming, athletics, basketball, touch and soccer. Students are challenged through various experiences in these sports and other activities in pursuit of sporting excellence in a supportive environment.

## Expectations for SDP

Students accepted into the Sports Development Program are expected to participate in all school sporting carnivals (swimming, cross country, athletics) and represent Kepnock State High School if selected to be a member of the school swimming, athletics or cross-country team. Students will also represent the school in both the winter and summer sports on offer. Students are to maintain high standards for academic achievement, behaviour and effort. There are regular student review points across Years 7 and 8 where every SDP student's continued participation in the program is evaluated. If students are not meeting the expectations of the program they may be asked to relinquish their position to higher performing students in non-SDP classes.

Entry into the SDP program is selective. There is only one class (max. 28 students). Students wanting to apply for a place in the Sports Development Program need to complete an application process. For further information on the SDP,

please contact Mr. Tom Murray – (HOD Health and Physical Education & Sport) 4131 1888 or [tmurr156@eq.edu.au](mailto:tmurr156@eq.edu.au)