

WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 1/2

Term 4

Give it your all
Read if necessary
Ignore giving up
Take time to do it right

As we near the end of the year, we couldn't be prouder of the effort that every student has put into developing new skills and the determination they show when faced with a challenge. Congratulations to all students who have consistently displayed our school values and have received their Gold Award. *Here's some of what's on...*

What are you grateful for

Readers Workshop



Students have been focusing on persuasive texts over the past few of weeks. They have explored 'Be a Friend to Trees' by Patricia Lauber , 'Let's Save Antarctica' by Catherine Barr, 'Give Bees a Chance' by Bethany Barton and the list goes on. Whilst reading the texts, they focused on **Determining Importance, Synthesising and Making Connections** to help them have a deeper understanding of what the author was telling them. Students loved learning about different environmental issues and used these mentor texts as inspiration for their own persuasive texts.



Writers Workshop

The students have been busy over the past few weeks writing their persuasive pieces. They explored environmental issues and students chose a topic that they thought was important. Some of the topics students chose were Stop Cutting Down Trees, Stop Hunting Whales, Stop Littering and the list goes on. They developed their opinion on the issue, developed 3 arguments why people should or shouldn't do something and provided evidence to support their arguments. Students also learnt about a range of persuasive techniques like rhetorical questions and emotive language. They are very excited to share their published pieces with you.



Maths

Over the past 2 weeks, students have been working very hard to develop their knowledge and understanding on the mass of objects and money.

Students were thoroughly engaged when they were provided with the opportunity to use balancing scales and digital scales to weigh objects around the room. They learnt about informal units, formal units (g,kg) and why it is important to have formal units to use when weighing things in our daily lives.



Students did an amazing job during our Money unit. They practised counting collections of coins and adding 2 or more amounts together. Some students went a step further and learnt multiple strategies to help them work out the change from a financial transaction. Next time you are at the shop, ask your child to count the coins in your wallet and pay for the item. There is nothing better than applying their learning in real life situations.



P-2 Sports Day

Thank you to all our parent helpers on Friday 3rd December. All the students had a fun filled day completing a range of activities.



Reminders

Drink Bottles - Please send a drink bottle with water to school for your child to leave in the classroom during class time.



What's Coming Up!

Christmas Picnic— Tuesday 7th December

Clark's Ice Cream Truck—Thursday 9th December

Last Day Term 4—Friday 17th December (1:30pm Dismissal)

Grade 1-2 Team

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