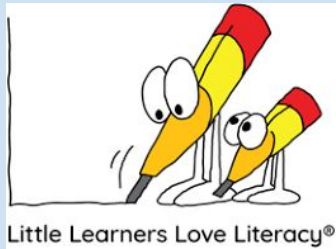


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~ FA ~



Learning about capacity through play.

We love reading and going to the library.



Cooking popcorn, decorating Milo Monkey and happy apple biscuits.



This term our Foundation students have been learning the letters m, s, f, a, p, t, c and i. They have been learning about the sounds these letters make, how to write them and making words with them. They've been learning that 'having a go' when writing is really important, even if they think they can't write yet.

Year 1s and 2s have been learning different blends (2 letters that blend together) and digraphs (2 letters that make one sound).

The Yr 1s have been doing lots of word, phrase and sentence writing.

The Yr 2s have been doing LOADS of procedural writing about the cooking they've done.

CONGRATULATIONS to the students who have read at home for over 30 nights this term. Some students have even read over 50 nights!!!



Remember to keep recording reading during the holidays.



~ F/1A ~

We drew our eyes and made a graph about eye colour.



We have extra friends in our classroom.

Working cooperatively



Fishing for picture cards to identify initial sounds.



~ 2/3A ~

fruit kebabs and choc chip cookies



amazing cupcakes



We've been cooking up a storm in 2/3A.

These awesome people also help in our classrooms to support learning.

Mrs Hayley

Mrs Baker

Mrs W

Miss M



Your junior school team ready to learn new maths games on the curriculum day. →



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The senior school have been focussing on displaying these values at all times.

Each week we are also setting class and personal goals related to each value.



Kind



Responsible



Respectful



Safe

The Senior School were very fortunate to have the Somerville Police come to talk to them about cyber safety and the importance of speaking respectfully online. The police discussed the need to only be connected with people you know online and ensuring our devices are private including our location. We were then very lucky to get to play a game of basketball with them.



4/5A

We've had a lovely time in 4/5A this term with highlights including the Teddy Bear's Picnic and a cyber-safety talk from the Somerville Police. Recently, the students have been reflecting on their Personal Strengths and identifying strengths to work on that will support their friendships and learning. We are looking forward to having a break (and maybe some chocolate) soon and to welcoming back Mrs Beilken for Term 2!

5/6A and 5/6B

The 5/6s have been working hard on developing routines and demonstrating our school values. We have had a strong focus on Respect and Kindness. We have also had a lot of fun working on some Escape Room activities. These have challenged us to work cooperatively and focus on the task at hand.



In 5/6 we have enjoyed setting ourselves some challenges in our STEM sessions. One of our first ones was to make the longest piece of paper using only one A4 sheet. Can you guess who the winner was?



3A

3A did an amazing job this term getting ready for their first ever NAPLAN test! It was wonderful to see everyone having a go and doing their very best! 3A have enjoyed mixing with 2/3A and 4/5A for 3/4 sports every week and learning how to hurdle, shotput and fling the discus to get ready for our first house athletics day! We've also read with the 5/6s.



WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

ENGLISH

Learning Intentions

In Literacy the senior students have been focussing on developing their spelling skills, stamina to read independently. We have also been working on our Writing skills and have completed some interesting narrative and persuasive pieces.

NUMERACY

Learning Intentions

In Numeracy the senior students have been working hard on their Place Value skills and knowledge of number. We have been playing daily number sense games to develop our schools. We have also been working hard in groups to improve our knowledge.

INQUIRY

Learning Intentions

In Inquiry we have been exploring our own personal identity and have been learning about Ethics and how to manage challenging situations.

Positive Behaviours for Learning AWARD WINNERS



Korben 4/5A
Jaeda 3A
Winter 3A



Charlotte 5/6B
Abraham 5/6B
Nell 5/6B Zheana 4/5A
Kaiya 4/5A Ibrahim 4/5A
Riley 5/6A Amshel 5/6A
Amelia 5/6A Lacey 3A
Winthawdar 3A Alexis 3A



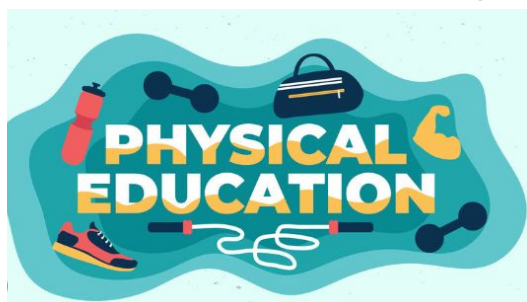
Zarah 5/6B Lily J 5/6B
Deagan 5/6B
Norma 5/6B Max H 5/6A
Charlie 5/6A Annabelle 5/6A



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SPECIALIST SPOTLIGHT - What's been happening in.....



Foundation & Year 1

In PE lessons, Foundation and Year 1 students have practised following rules and safety. Students have participated in simple games and activities designed to develop their basic movement patterns and fundamental motor skills. Students have been learning the correct skill components of underarm and overarm throwing and have enjoyed participating in weekly PMP sessions developing their hand-eye coordination, balance, strength and flexibility in small group activities.



Year 2 - 6 Athletics

Students were introduced to athletics and learned skill components used in sprinting, long jump, triple jump, discus, shotput and high jump.

Congratulations and well done to all the year 3-6 students who participated in the House Athletics Carnival.

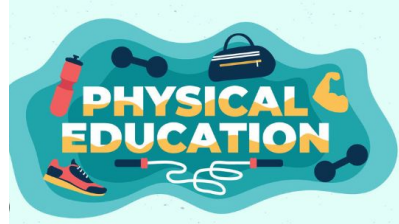
Many students showed determination and focus, encouragement to others and friendly competition with their peers. Thank you to all the staff and parent helpers who assisted on the day.



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Athletics continued

Congratulations to the winning House, McKay!



Best wishes to the students who will be competing at District Athletics on Friday 31st March.



Gymnastics

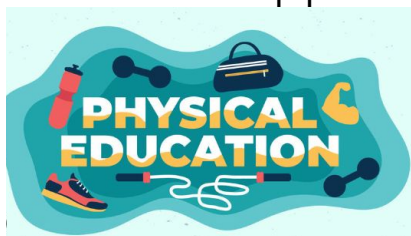
Students in Year 2/3A, 3A and 4/5A had fun being actively involved in a gymnastics program run by Coach Kat from Bayside Gymnastics. The variety of activities designed each week provided students the opportunity to learn upper body and lower body supports and movements developing their hand-eye coordination, balance, strength and flexibility.



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Sport Clinics- Year 3-6

Students were given the opportunity to participate and experience a variety of sport clinics such as hockey, soccer and rugby league. These clinics were organised to encourage and help increase children's participation in sport, expose students to new sports and to connect children with local sporting opportunities. Activities designed in each clinic promoted a fun learning environment for all students.

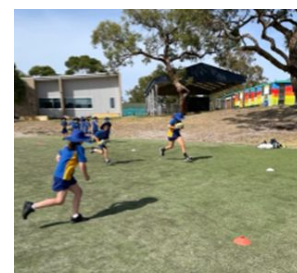


Hockey

Soccer



Rugby League



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Visual Arts

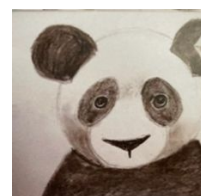
Foundation & Year 1

In Visual Art lessons, Foundation and Year 1 students have explored various techniques to mark different lines, shapes and patterns to create drawings. Using oil pastels, students applied these techniques to produce a 'Self Portrait' and a 'Fish collage' which incorporated lines, shapes, colours and a background with patterns. Students have also practised their fine motor skills learning to cut and use scissors correctly.



Year 2/3

Students learned about French painter, sculptor and printmaker, Henri Matisse. Using his artwork as inspiration, students designed and produced their own colourful artwork using paper to create a collage of geometric and organic shapes. Students are currently exploring with charcoal and using techniques such as blending and shading to create artwork drawings of pandas.



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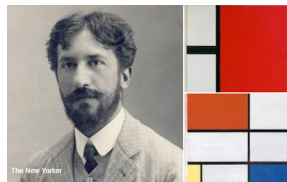
Safe

Visual Arts

Year 4/5

Students were introduced to an artist from the Netherlands, Piet Mondrian. Students studied his realistic paintings as well as his abstract paintings made from squares and rectangles and using the primary colours.

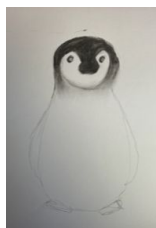
Students sketched a set of stacked teacups and using rulers to form squares and rectangles, students coloured their teacup designs using the primary colours to create their own artwork inspired by Piet Mondrian.



Year 5/6

Students learned about a Spanish painter, sculptor, printmaker, ceramicist and theatre designer, Pablo Picasso. Students explored Picasso's cubism period, a style of art which shows all angles of a person or an object all at once.

Using lines, shapes and colour, students created their version of a portrait inspired by Picasso's cubism. Students are currently exploring with charcoal and using techniques such as blending and shading to create penguin artworks.



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Japanese

This term all students have started to learn about Japanese culture and language, as well as understanding the expectations of the Japanese room. Students have now mastered the skill of counting in Japanese. Most students can now count to 10 if not higher in Japanese and a lot of students also know how to write each number in kanji. Students have enjoyed singing songs, playing games and completing activities to practise this skill.

Has your child shared any of the following with you?

Numbers in Japanese

1	2	3	4	5
一	二	三	四	五
ichi	ni	san	yon or shi	go
6	7	8	9	10
六	七	八	九	十
roku	nana or shichi	hachi	kyuu	jyuu



Students have been learning how to have a basic conversion in Japanese including Konnichiwa (Hello), sayounara (goodbye), arigatou gozaimasu (thank you) and o genki desu ka? (how are you?)

Students have also enjoyed learning the names of colours, and doing Japanese craft activities including making sakuras, lanterns, koinobori, and origami.



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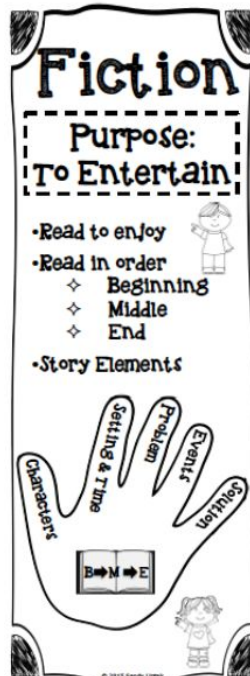
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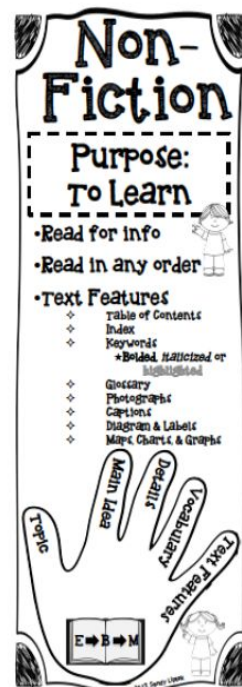
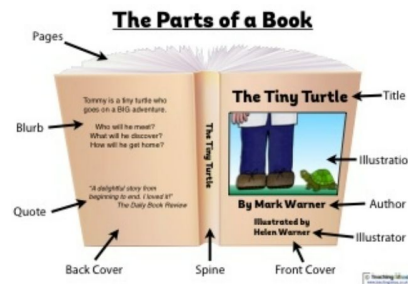
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LIBRARY



This term in library students have been further developing their knowledge of the features of fiction and non-fiction books, along with understanding the expectations of the library. Students have been listening to fiction and non-fiction books, including 'Odd Dog Out', 'Red: a Crayon's Story' and 'Who am I?'



Students have enjoyed completing a number of craft activities to learn more about the books they are listening to in the library.

Each session students are given the opportunity to borrow books to read in the classroom and at home.



Important Dates

Term 1

Mon 03 Apr: Easter Raffle Drawn

Mon 03 Apr: Assembly

Thu 06 Apr: Easter Bonnet Parade 9.15 am

Thu 06 Apr: Last day of Term - 2.30pm finish

Term 2

Mon 24 Apr: First Day Term 2

Tue 25 Apr: ANZAC Day

Fri 28 Apr: Woorabinda Camp forms due in by end of today (years 5/6)

Wed 3rd May - District Field events

Thur 4th May - Yr 3-6 House Cross Country

Friday 5th May - Yr 5/6 Winter Interschool Sport commences

15-17 May - Camp Woorabinda (Year 5/6)

22-26 May - Education Week / Book Fair

Tues 23rd May - Story Time (6-7 pm)

Wed 24th May - PP Day - no students at school

Thur 25th May - Open morning with Grandparents Morning tea

Mon 12th June - King's Birthday public holiday

Fri 23rd June - last day of term, 2.30pm finish



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