

Kindergarten Orientation –

We have had our Kindergarten Orientation start this term! Lower Division have enjoyed having our 6 visitors who have had a wonderful time here in our classroom. We have been learning about our school and classroom rules and have been reading some lovely stories, doing exciting craft activities and playing fun games outside. We look forward to the next two visits this Wednesday (18.11.20) from 8:30 – 11:15 and next Wednesday (25.11.20) at the same time. Parents of newly enrolled students are invited to an information session during Recess on the last visit from 10:45 – 11:15.

Miss Breese



Tuesday Tabloid

NAME: _____

16.11.20



**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**

Last week was NAIDOC week, the week where we celebrate the continuous survival, culture, history and the achievements of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for over 80,00 years.

On Monday we learnt about Aboriginal people. Then on Tuesday we got some rainbow scratch sheets and made patterns and maps with traditional symbols. We did Indigenous word search and watched a video with Mrs Hobbs. On Wednesday we read an aboriginal book about spirits. On Thursday we dressed up in red, black, yellow, green and blue to represent Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders. From the end of recess to lunch we played fun Aboriginal games and activities. They were all great games! On Friday we had more fun cooking Aboriginal food and eating it, I thought it was a great way to celebrate the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and I'm sure everyone had lots of fun over the week.

Thankyou to everyone for making it a great, fun week.

By Rani



A great place to be,
a great place to learn

NAIDOC Week

Congratulations to Miss Breese and the Year 6 leaders for planning and leading a successful NAIDOC week last week. Students that I spoke to really enjoyed the games and lessons that celebrated our rich indigenous history and culture.

Remembrance Day

Thank you to Ella and Rani who led the Remembrance Day service for us last week 11/11/2020. Both girls really excelled in their leadership, speaking clearly and leading with pride. Students listened attentively to their leaders and reflected respectfully during the minute silence.



End of year activities

We have been informed that we can go ahead with modified end of year Presentation Day Assembly and Year 6 Farewell. **Things will be different this year** and we all have to accept it is an exceptional year. I will let you know details closer to the date. At this stage we have planned the Year 6 farewell will be held on Tuesday 1st December at 5:30 pm and the Presentation Assembly will be held on Wednesday 9th December-time and venue yet to be confirmed. The last day of school for students this term is Wednesday 16th December 2020.

Student Assessments

Teachers have been assessing student progress over the past two weeks in preparation for planning for learning in the coming weeks and next year. Assessments are an important way for us to see the growth in student learning and to plan for ways we can continue to support students in their learning. We try to keep assessments relevant and as stress free as possible. We hope students realise they are for their benefit, not something to be feared. Student reports will be sent out during Week 10.

Attendance

As the year draws to a close many children are staying up later and becoming run down. It is important to support your children to stay healthy and attend school regularly. Learning in classrooms continues right through to the last week and progress in 4 weeks can be huge! It is so important for them to be here each day- on time- so they do not miss out on important learning and social interactions. If your child is late, even a few minutes, we require a text, written note or phone message to explain the absence. This also applies to all other whole day and partial absences.

Library News - T4, W6

Lower Division have produced some lovely 'out there' sheep to display in the library. After reading the book *Annabel's Dance* by Diane Jackson Hill, children created their own Annabel. She was a little sheep who wanted to be different to every other sheep in the flock. So she straightened her fleece and dyed it a bright colour! We had fun using straws and ink to make her!

Upper Division are in rehearsal mode for performing their chosen story as part of our unit on storytelling (Slam Poetry). Parents can help by asking their children to tell them the story and perhaps suggesting ways to make it entertaining for the audience using only their voice (loud soft, fast, slow, pause and sound effects) and gestures (eyes, hands, whole body). Thank you in advance.



NB: There are only two more weeks children will be able to borrow books from the library. I would really like to have all books returned by the end of **week 8 (December 4th)** so I can complete repairs and a minor cull if necessary.

The poster features the MidCoast Council logo and the slogan "HOW DO YOU RECYCLE? RE-IMAGINE WASTE". It includes tips like "Empty and rinse", "Don't bag or box", "No soft plastics", and "No small items". A large "WIN a \$100 gift card" section encourages participation in a survey for a chance to win. The bottom text reads: "It's all part of celebrating National Recycling Week, and an opportunity to find out more about what the local community needs from us to help improve the way we recycle across the region. Whether you're a good sort or don't recycle at all, we want to hear from you. Take our 5-minute survey by Friday 4 December for your chance to win. Visit www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/waste".