



Boolaroo Bulletin

19th November, 2015

You Can Do It!

Focus for Week 7 & 8 - Confidence

The ability to believe in yourself. To work independently and have an optimistic outlook and recognise making mistakes as part of authentic learning.

'Enjoy the little things in life, because one day you will look back, and realise they were the big things.'

Principal's Pen

Can you believe it is almost the end of Week 7? Gee how time flies. At this time of year, all teachers are very busy completing assessments and checking students work in preparation for sending home the Semester Two reports. For your information the reports will go home on Thursday afternoon after the School Presentation Day Ceremony in Week 10. We are also in the process of organising classes for 2016.

Swim School is almost over for another year, Ms Jones tells me the students have really enjoyed this activity and that our students as always have behaved beautifully. A very big thankyou to Ms Jones for taking some lessons herself, and to Fair Play Oosh for providing the transport for the children.

Kinder Orientation continues we still have one more visit before our Teddy Bear's picnic on the 1st December.

A very big thankyou to the amazing group of young people from Lake Macquarie High School, who have been working with our students this term on a Thursday running a sport program. It is wonderfully to see such great leaders and how creative they have been in developing activities for our students.

It is almost time for us to be thinking about our leaders for 2016, and as such our Year 5 students have been working on their Leadership speeches for 2016. We will be holding these speeches in the school hall on the 3rd December 2015. Year 4 have also been working on their speeches. To supplement our leadership team for 2016 some Year 4 students may possibly be Sport House Leaders. Voting will occur in class after speeches.

We are fortunate to be working with Our Community Place on a joint beautification project for our school in 2016. The main focus of this will be the gardens and the front of the school.

In 2016, there will be the introduction of a new financial/student services system. Janelle and I will be involved in a variety of workshops in preparation for this new system midway through June and will receive extended support throughout the year. We are both very excited about this and look forward to what LMBR will bring.

Louise Wrightson
Principal

K-1 JONES CLASSROOM NEWS

Over the past 2 weeks K/1J has been very busy reading many wonderful books. Our favourite was 'Dougal the Garbage Dump Bear' by Matt Dray. We loved how Dougal was rescued from the dump and he was given a new home by the beach with lots of new friends.

Everyone has also been enjoying 'Friends of Ten' activities as well as spending time with Mrs Geres while Miss Jones was at swim school.

2-3 GERES CLASSROOM NEWS

The last two weeks we have been learning lots of new maths games. Mrs Noble has come into our classroom to demonstrate maths activities from the TEN's program. We have been using some fantastic resources such as dominoes, cards, double sided counters and dice to play these hands on engaging games. Students have been working in pairs and small groups participating in games such as dice challenge, greedy pig and beat that.

4-5-6B CLASSROOM NEWS

Our topic in science is 'What's the Matter'. We have been experimenting and learning about the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

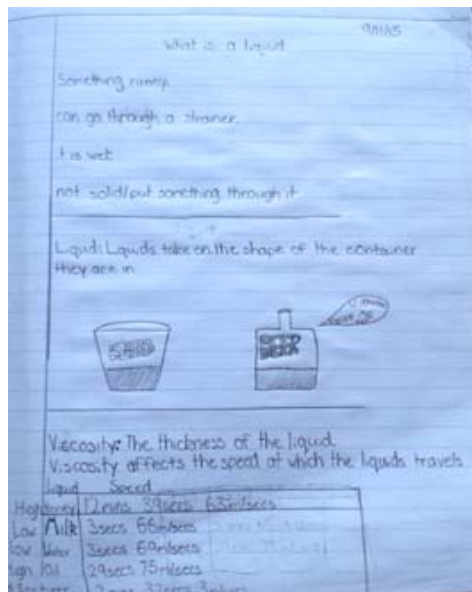
We have learned that liquids take the shape of containers they are poured into and have viscosity. This means they have thickness and 'run' at different speeds. Water is like Usain Bolt –FAST. Honey is like Mrs B with her belly – SLOW.

We asked questions to find out what liquids are. Are they wet? Can they be strained? Can they be mixed? Then we experimented with various liquids like water, milk, dish-washing liquid, cooking oil and honey. Using a stopwatch, we timed how long it took for them to run from one end of the container to the other.

We learned that honey has a high viscosity and water has a low viscosity.



Title Page by Jie



Experiment write up by Beau

DATES TO REMEMBER:

24th November

Teddy Bears Picnic 11.00am – 1.00pm

Tues 24th Nov

Last P & C Meeting for 2015

Thurs 10th Dec

Presentation Day

Fri 11th Dec

Frozen on Ice Excursion

Mon 14th Dec

Christmas Concert—5.30pm

Tues 15th Dec

Speers Point Pool Day

Wed 16th Dec

Boolaroo Movies & Last day of School for students

Thurs 28th Jan 2016

Students resume school

SCHOOL BANKING

COORDINATOR

REQUIRED FOR NEXT YEAR.

This is a voluntary position.

Banking is done Monday but can be processed any day during the school week.

Training is provided.

Please let the office know if you are interested.

STUDENT PROFILE of THE WEEK

Charnts TANGITAU—Year 6

These are the things I like to do:

- * At School I like Reading, Writing, Science and Maths
- * Weekends I like to go bike riding and play soccer
- * At home I draw, read books and watch T.V.
- * I like to help my Auntie cook dinner and breakfast

My favourite foods are:

- # Chinese & Indian
- # Chocolate Cake
- # Fruit—mainly nectarines, kiwi fruit, mandarins & apples
- # For a treat I like Kit Kats
- # I drink mainly water but at dinner I like fizzy passionfruit

When I grow up I want to be a robotic engineer. I think I am funny, energetic, reliable and thoughtful. I love the colour purple cause it's mums favourite colour too.

CANTEEN NEWS

There will be
NO CANTEEN on
Friday 20th
November

THANK YOU

EXCURSION PAYMENTS

Payments for the
upcoming
Frozen on Ice
are now due.

Roll Call

Did you know that 'being late to class' is considered a partial absence and is recorded on your child's school report? The Department of Education monitors school attendance very closely and will contact you if absences or partial absences reach the regulatory limit. So unless you have a valid reason for not being at school (or not being on time to school), like a doctor's certificate, you may come under the department's radar.

To avoid partial absences: Always aim to be 10-15 mins early to school. This allows students time to store their belongings, use bathroom facilities and feel settled before the 9.00am morning bell and roll call.



P & C NEWS

Each family has been issued a book of 15 tickets for the xmas raffle. Books are \$10 and the money goes to covering the cost of the santa showbags that current 2016 enrolled students will receive at the xmas concert.

All tickets must be returned even if not purchased. Extra tickets can be brought on the night.

1st Prize- Santa Cart

2nd Prize- Santa bucket

3rd Prize- \$30 Canteen Voucher 2016.

Prizes are displayed outside office. Tickets need to be returned by 8th December and will be drawn 14th December.

Please support your P & C

Karen McCraw

YEAR 5/6 SYDNEY EXCURSION by Beau Gerrard

Last week Year 5 and 6 went to Sydney on a excursion. We left very early on the train from Cockle Creek. When we arrived in Sydney we walked to our hotel to drop off our gear. We then headed out to the Imax Cinema at Darling Harbour where we saw whales in 3D. After that we went to the Powerhouse Museum to explore; this was followed by a visit to the Wildlife Centre where we saw a 5m crocodile. The Sydney Aquarium was the last stop where we had lunch before we walked through the underwater tunnel on our way back to our hotel, dinner and bed.

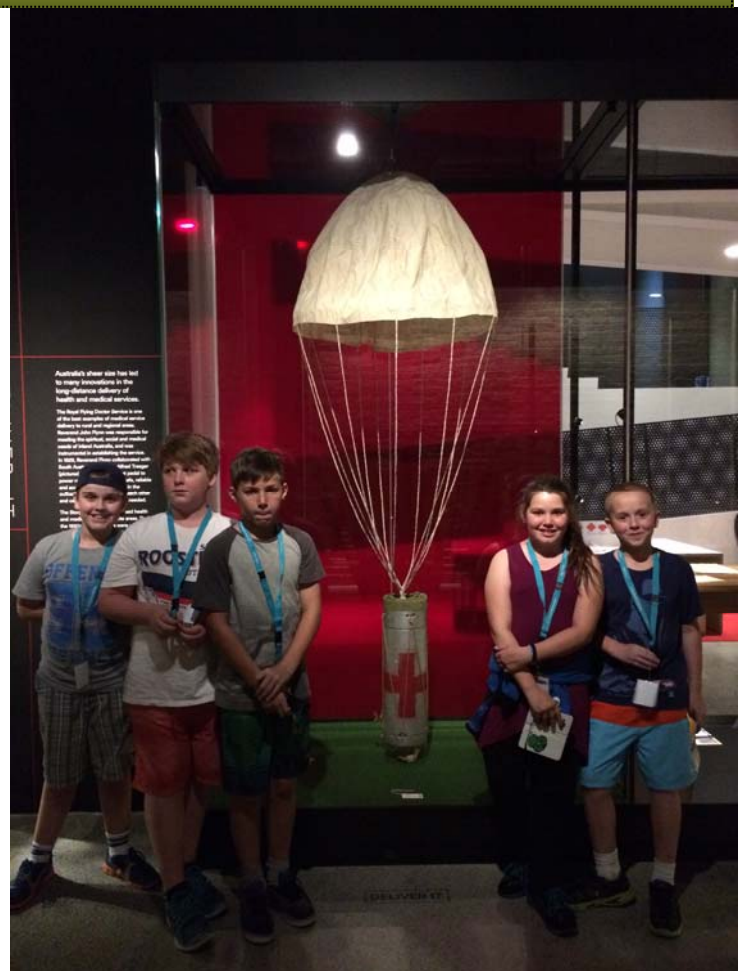
The next day we caught the ferry from near our hotel to Sydney Harbour and walked to the Opera House. From the Opera House we walked to the top of the southern pillar of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and then onto the Sydney Observatory where we learnt about space. We then caught the ferry back to Darling Harbour where we went to the shopping mall to buy ourselves takeaway for lunch. Paddy's Market was next on the list where we could buy souvenirs and loads of other stuff . After that we went back to our hotel for dinner. After dinner we went back to Darling Harbour shopping mall to play laser skirmish and kingpin bowling, our last activity of the day before going back to the hotel and to bed.

After breakfast the next day we cleaned our room, packed our bags and left them at the hotel in a cabinet. Our last visit was to Centre Point Tower where we had a 4D cinema experience before going out to the observation deck to take some photos . We then walked to the Australian Museum and had a class lesson before heading back to our hotel to collect our bags to walk to Central Train station to catch the 2.15 train back home to Cockle Creek.. Everyone had a great time in Sydney, we saw heaps and walked lots.





Year 5/6 Excursion to Sydney



SWIM SCHOOL

Over the last 2 weeks students in years 2-6 have thoroughly enjoyed their swimming lessons. Plenty of warm weather meant loads of sunblock and lots of fun learning many new ways to survival and save ourselves in the water.

Every student that attended lessons can now float on their back, swim to the bottom of the pool and swim a minimum of 10m doing freestyle. Well done to all swimmers for wonderful manners and behaviour.



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