D1 Class Newsletter

Semester 1 2016

D1 has been busy this semester. We started the year with our assembly and ANZAC day ceremony and we have had lots of winter sport carnivals. We have also been using the new laptops for research and coding.  

By Lachlan

Assembly

Last term we did our class assembly, it was awesome. The virtue was helpfulness. We did a song called ‘One Day.’ We had a few soloists and duets. We also did a play about 2 greedy brothers that were princes, played by Cooper and Ben, the twins. There was also a king played by Cosmo. We knew the song off by heart. We had so much fun doing the song.

By Hailey & Campbell

Class Dojo

D1 have been using Class Dojo this semester. It is a system where you get rewarded for good behaviour or have points taken off for not so good behaviour. At the end of each week if you have enough points you can earn reward time. We also have a star of the week person. That happens to be the person who gets the most points in the class. That student can choose a friend and sit on the couch during reading or use the rocking chair or cushions. On the same day we also do a class raffle. You get a raffle ticket for every 10 points you get over 30. Each week there are 5-10 winners drawn out who get to pick a prize. On Monday everybody goes back to zero and we start again trying to win prizes.

By Alice & Cosmo

Guided Reading

In guided reading groups each group has an area in the classroom to work. We have been reading about the First Fleet and also about how Governor Phillip came to New Holland which is now called Australia. We have also learned about Bennelong, one of the first Aboriginal men to work with Governor Phillip.

By Naoise & Sonnie

We have been reading about Australian history in guided reading. We have been doing a lot of reading activities and looking at finding the main idea. Main ideas are mostly found at the start or the end of a paragraph. We have been using the main ideas of our books to make iMovie trailers about our books. When we finish our iMovie trailer we present it to the rest of the class. All groups have done very well.

By Brayden, Josh & Caden
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**Coding**

This term we have been learning basic computer coding. Sometimes throughout the week we go on the laptops and play coding games. They games are meant to test your memory and thinking skills. Studio Code and Blockley Maze make you think and teach you to solve problems. Some are very challenging games to test your brain. We have also been using Artist Loop and Minecraft coding. It has been fun.

*By Cooper, Carl & Jet.*

**Sport**

The girls soccer State Championship was held in May. We won all our games and went on to play in the finals and grand final. The game was a draw so we had to go to extra time. It was still a draw so we had to go to penalty shots. We just got beaten. Everyone in the team got a medal and Sam and Miss Cotton too.

*By Jolina & Avaree*

**Humanities and Social Sciences**

We have been learning about South America. We have made tourist brochures for holidays in South America. We have also been learning about the countries in South America. Some brochures take you to the Galapagos Islands, The Amazon Canopy Walk and Lake Titicaca. We have been exploring the wonders of South America. We are also starting to learn about the Olympic Games which will be held in Rio in August.

*By Jake & Ben*

**Dates to remember...**

**Birthdays**
- July 14th - Jake
- July 15th - Emy-Lee
- August 4th - Lili
- September 12th - Jolina
- September 14th - Ava
- October 18th - Lewis