

NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL COLUMN

What a year it has been for Dallas Brooks Community Primary School this year. Looking back over the year we have accomplished so much as a school community. We have come together and supported each other through exciting celebrations and supported each other with kindness. Our year 6 graduation was a fantastic celebration, showcasing our students and their achievements. We were proud of our School Captains and their leadership shown this year and at our graduation. Our school transition program was also a success with students getting to know their teachers and classmates for next year.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank our families, staff, and students for your hard work and support for our school this year. Please have a safe and relaxing holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again in the new year.

Happy Holidays.

Respect Pride Trust Perseverance

OFFICE NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 30th January— Term 1 commences for 2024

NEW ENROLMENTS

New enrolments welcome Foundation to Year 6. Please see office staff for details of enrolment. Alternatively click here to access an [enrolment form](#)

PICKING UP STUDENTS

All parents **must** come to the office when picking up their child at all times before entering the school. If your child needs to leave early you must sign them out at the office. All students arriving late must come to the front office for a late pass.

CANTEEN NEWS

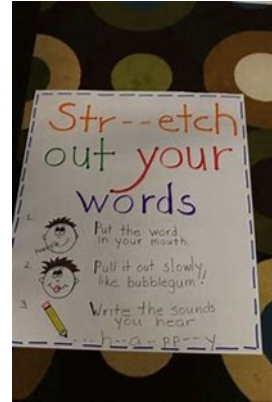
The canteen is open two times a week. Tuesday and Thursday.



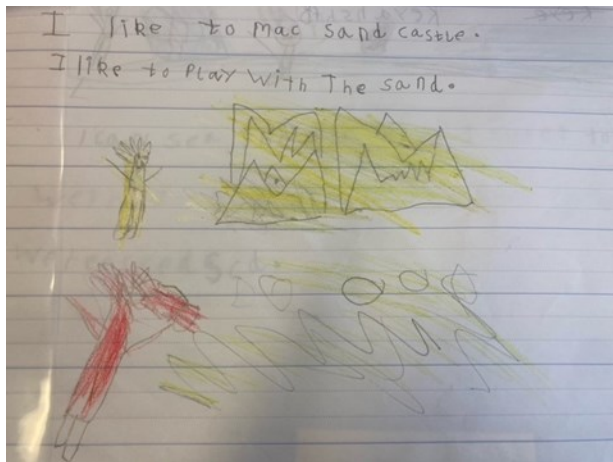
FOUNDATION GROWTH LEARNING



In Mathematics, students in the Foundation area have been engaging in a variety of lessons that have been focusing on games and learning certain game rules. We have been exploring probability and chance. Whether it was likely or unlikely to roll a six twice in a row or whether it was likely we would have to go up a ladder when playing snakes and ladders?



The last of our remaining literacy sessions have been devoted to completing reading sessions that are full of the first fifty Oxford words to consolidate all our learning we have done this year. We have also been examining particular reading strategies such as investigating the beginning sound of a word, stretching the word out and looking at picture clues to give us answers on how to decode an unfamiliar word.



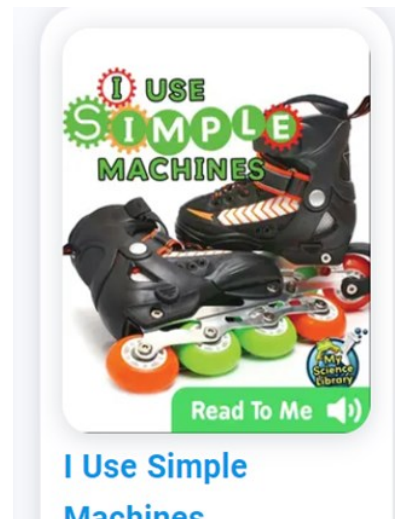
In writing, we are focusing on narratives and writing stories by examining a picture prompt and then writing sentences that correspond to the picture. We have been trying really hard to remember to use a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence, capital letters for nouns and a full stop at the end of our sentence.

Pupil of the week:

FC- Asiyah and Noah A.

FB- Gabriel and Melany

FA- Rima and JannaT



Inquiry learning has been continuing to explore simple machines. We went to the 5/6 playground to examine all of the various equipment and list which simple machines. We then drew all of the simple machines that we examined and that we played with. We have also read various simple machine texts and spoke about which machines we use on a daily basis like wheels and axles.

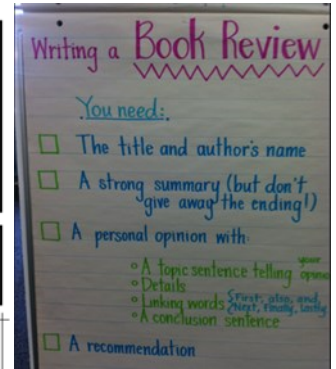
YEAR 1/2 GROWTH LEARNING



In Inquiry, students have been learning about having a healthy lifestyle. They have been exposed to different ways of staying healthy, for example, have a healthy diet, a healthy mind, drink enough clean water, stay clean, stay active and sleep enough. Students explored the importance of having a healthy lifestyle by taking part in the healthy lifestyle incursion and by creating posters advocating a healthy life.

Book Review

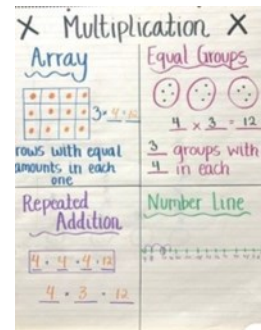
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Author:	
Genre:	
Fiction <input type="checkbox"/>	
Non Fiction <input type="checkbox"/>	
Would you recommend this book? Why or why not?	What is the setting of this book?
What is your favourite part of the book? Would you change anything?	



In Writing, Students chose their favourite author as they have been exposed to a range of different authors such as Aaron Blabey and Mem Fox in other subjects. Students then wrote a book review. In this book review students rated the book out of 5 stars, if they would recommend the book to a friend and what their favourite part was.



In Reading, students have been exposed to different authors such as Aaron Blabey. Students enjoyed reading his books as they are funny, exciting, have rhyming words, onomatopoeia and interesting pictures. Students then put their critic hats on and discussed whether they liked his books or not.



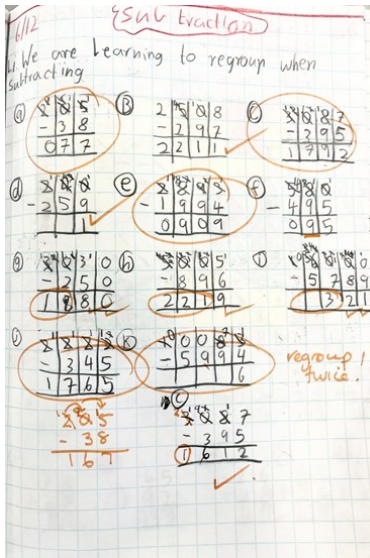
In Maths, In maths students have been practising their skill of sharing and grouping objects and numbers. The children have been identify how many groups there to match collections and write the matching equations. We understand that groups of need to be equal. In year 3, the students also have been practising year for their Naplan testing next year. We have been learning to solve and answer worded problems

Pupil of the week:

1A: Mariam Kahla and Saarim Afraz

1B: Aaliyah Laz and Rima Mashalla

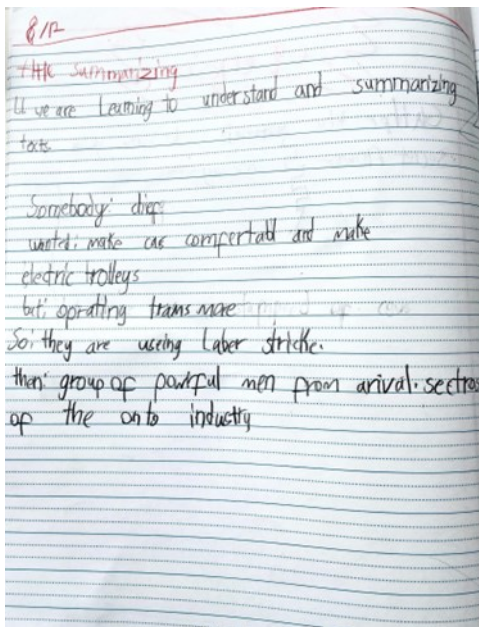
YEAR 3 GROWTH LEARNING



In Maths, students have been learning to identify the value of each digit in a number. They have been working on using place value as a strategy to solve addition and subtraction problems.



In Inquiry, students have been learning to conduct a science experiment, Blobs in A Bottle. They have been working on creating lava in oil using baking soda, vegetable oil, vinegar, and food colouring.



In Reading, students have been learning to understand and summarize texts. They have been working on identifying the purpose of summarizing and looking for different strategies to summarize a range of texts.



Happy School Holidays!

Have fun and stay safe. See you next year.

Pupil of the week:

3A: Sara DELICE, Roya MOHREZ

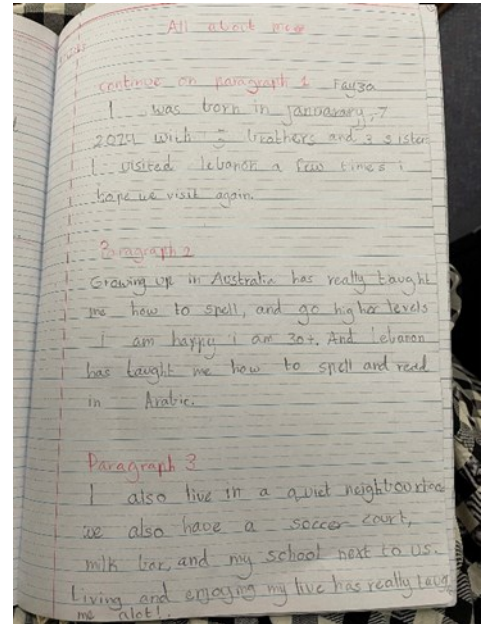
3B: Aya ALACHKAR, Hussein ABOU-EID

3C: Musa GHAZI, Nour RABAH

YEAR 4 GROWTH LEARNING



This week, the students have participated in the art and cultural concert. The grade 4s, were performing the dance "I like to move it move it". The theme of the dance was from Madagascar. They have achieved an amazing job by decorating their own costumes and performed beautifully in front of the audiences.



In writing, the students have been working on writing their autobiography. They have created family trees and they also This have helped them recognise that their families and community have helped shaped their identity.

Pupil of the week:

4A Muhammad Ali and Aseel Ismail

4B Nawar Toufic and Douha Alsayed

4C Lexi Malla and Zayn Obeid

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Our student leadership team with the facilitation of Mr. Schultz helped build a Dallas Phoenix lunch time Basketball competition. The students asked for a serious competition. We had 60 girls and 80 boys sign up for the comp. The students came up with the team names too. The competition was the Dallas Phoenix cup as we look to start up our very own Basketball Club based out of DBC.



Teams played each other in a round robin competition with top four making finals and then a grand final being played on Thursday 14th December. The Broadmeadows Broncos supplied staff to help ref our games. We would like to thank them for their incredible support.

Games went for 8mins which made them exciting and the energy in the gym with students watching and cheering on was unbelievable.



Girls Grand Final: Wild 8 defeated Magic 0.

Points: Malak 6 and Maymoona 2.

Team positions: Champions -Wild, R'Up – Magic, 3rd – Heat, 4th – Danger, 5th – Ravens and 6th – Stars.

Top point scorers: Malak 16, Leuaina 14, Amira A. 10, Lara 8, Amira T. 6, Iman 6, Laila O. 4, Ifraz 4, Vanessa 4 and Nadia O. 4.



Boys Grand Final: Stars 4 defeated Wild 0.

Points: Ali An. 2 and Sadiq 2.

Team positions: Champions – Stars, R'Up – Wild, 3rd – Magic, 4th – Heat, 5th – Danger, 6th – Hoppers, 7th – Ravens and 8th – Storm.

Top point scorers: Zain A. 15, Yusuf A. 11, Arkan 8, Mohammad A. 6, Mustafa 6, Sadiq 4, Musa 4, Bakr 4, Ali And. 4 and Imran 3.

Dallas Community Hub Timetable

(weekly activities - TERM 4/2023 – contact us for more information)

Every Day

Breakfast Club

8:30 am – 8:50 am



Monday

Walk and Talk

9:15 am

Different topics every week

Cert III in Education Support

9:00 am – 3:30 pm



Tuesday & Thursday

English Classes and Childminding

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

We take care of kids during classes

Tuesday

Social Work Assistance

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Book an appointment with our Social Work students or Hub Coordinator for referral to support services available

Coffee & Chat

2:45 pm

If you are going through a difficult time, chat with us

Community Pantry

Food Relief Program

*Subject to availability



Wednesday

Quran classes

9:30 am – 11 am

Social Club

11:00 am – 1pm

Sewing, Cooking, or learning a new skill

Gardening and Maintenance

11.45 am – 12.15 pm

Part of Social Club

Multicultural Playgroup

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Toy library

11:30 am – 12.:30 pm

Dallas Playgroup

12:30 pm – 2:30 pm



Friday

Digital Literacy Classes

9.30 am – 10 am

Join our WhatsApp Group to receive a weekly task to build your confidence for online and digital literacy. Face to Face support available for individual help every week. Join us with the QR code.



PlayConnect Playgroup

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

For kids with autism, development delays or behavioural concerns



Toy library

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Dallas Playgroup

12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

What else would like to see here? Visit us for a chat or send us a message 0419 475 047

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COMMUNITY HUB NEWS



Thank all ladies who attended the walk around school as part of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence and the 2 first info sessions.

The campaign aims to raise awareness about gender-based violence and advocate for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. Our last info session will be held on Dec 14th at 11am, join us! I am proud to host such an important event and creating awareness to our families to prevent family violence.



From Term 4 this year we decided to create a **social club** instead of cooking or sewing and doing that we allow the community to choose what they would like to learn and share between them. This program has been a positive surprise giving the ladies an opportunity to learn new skills like hairdressing and dedicate their time to help each other and share nice recipes. This environment promotes wellbeing and built their sense of community. Saja and Tulin has been the main facilitators of the program. Thank you all!



Breakfast Club end of the year celebration. Thank you, all volunteers, families, and kids who attended the program, during the whole year. This year again, we were able to wrap books donated by Hume City Council for distribution as Christmas/End of the year gifts to the kids, **we believe we distributed around 100 books for kids from prep to Year 6**, it was great to see kids' happiness for receiving a special gift and the books were just aligned of the purpose of the program to create healthy habits.



Last week, using the school bus we were able to take the English class to the bowling. It was an initiative from the VASS teacher to celebrate the student's achievement. The excursion was a success, and I would like to quote one of the ladies **"I loved here, I never bowling before, I will bring my kids to here during school holidays for sure. Thank you, Alessandra, for always create opportunities for us to go out and meet other places, without the hub, we would be only at home."** We end this year with warm heart and wishing you all happy holidays!

DALLAS/UPFIELD KINDER



Purple group- Upfield Kindergarten

December 2023

Class of 2023 – 3 year old group transitioned to four year old kinder 2024. The children had a

Concert and it was a proud moment for the families to watch their children sing to them. End of the session they took home their wonderful art work and their portfolios along with their gifts.



LONG DAYS AVAILABLE AT DALLAS KINDERGARTEN IN 2024

Providing more flexibility for families

We are pleased to advise that Dallas Kindergarten @ Dallas Brooks Community Primary School will offer both long and short sessions for 3 and 4-year-old children from Term 1, 2024, to provide more flexibility for families.

This means that children can attend for a total of 15 hours per week, for either:

7.5 hours per day x 2 days per week (8.30am to 4pm), or

5 hours per day x 3 days per week

(8.30am to 1.30pm)

(subject to availability)

3 and 4-year-old kindergarten

is FREE for all families.

**For help to enrol for 2024
please speak to the school
office on 9309 1181 or call the
Northern Schools
Early Years Cluster on 9306 1662**

