

Room 22 Newsletter

Week 10 Term 3

What a busy Term 3 we have had! There have been so many fun activities and events this term; including Book Week, Culture Week, a cricket clinic, cooking, gardening, Farmers on Wheels Day, gymnastics, Footsteps Dance Week, and some of our students from Room 22 have even auditioned for Kirton Point's Got Talent!

Literacy

It has been fantastic to see how far the students have progressed with learning their oral and written phonograms, and also their sight words. Phonograms and sight words are important foundations to their reading and writing .

Throughout the term the students have been learning about instructional texts. Our focus text was '*How to make a paper aeroplane*'. The students enjoyed breaking this text apart to delve deeper into the make up of instructional texts, with a reward at the end being making and flying paper aeroplanes. Then, the students created their own instructional text about '*How to brush your teeth*'. They needed to ensure they included an action verb at the start of every sentence and they demonstrated great bravery by presenting them in front of the class.

There has also been a grammar focus on nouns, adjectives and verbs this term. The students have loved walking around the school or flipping through magazines hunting for nouns. After engaging in fun activities; including playing on the playground, cooking, gardening, and gymnastics, the students have brainstormed the action verbs they experienced. Learning about adjectives was fun when it included tasting and describing delicious, juicy, sweet strawberries.

Maths

This term in Maths we have had a focus on problem solving. We have used real life situations to improve their understanding of addition and subtraction. During these lessons, students have access to concrete materials, e.g. blocks and counters, and are encouraged to draw pictures, use a tally system, or number sentences to show their working out. During Week 10 we are also beginning to learn about money, with a focus on the six Australian coins. We will continue this topic at the beginning of Term 4.

Thank you for your ongoing support throughout this term.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

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