

ROOM 17 NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 5

Would you believe it is half way though the term already...time flies when you are having fun and learning lots!

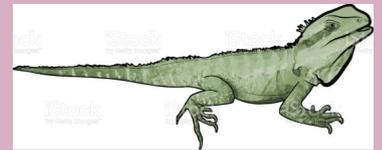
Literacy Report

This term we have had a strong focus on learning synonyms and expanding our vocabulary. This will help us to be more sophisticated and descriptive in our writing and the way we communicate. To develop this knowledge we have brainstormed words, constructed and improved many sentences, played games, introduced a word of the week and worked as Word Wizards during our reading circles.

Synonyms are words that have the same meaning. For example:-

Sad = unhappy, tearful, depressed, miserable, desolate, inconsolable.

We are also analysing an article about *Australian water dragons*. They are very interesting and we will eventually research and write an article about an animal we find fascinating.



Numeracy Report

Angles have been our focus for the term so far. Students really enjoyed designing their own mini golf course. This creative task helped improve ability to measure and draw angles using a protractor, recognise and produce parallel lines, perpendicular lines and know the properties of a range of triangles.

Week 5 saw us commence our learning and search our memories on what our class already knew about decimal numbers. We have worked to understand what a decimal represents and how we might use them in everyday life. Decimals are an important skill to conquer. Some ways they are used include; dealing with money, weighing foods in cooking, using a timer, and measuring length. This will be our focus for the next few weeks, so ask your child to share their knowledge with you!

Just a friendly reminder and thanks:

- Parent teacher interviews will be held in Week 8 and 9. If you would like to book a time, make sure you complete the form that will go home with your child in week 6.
- Thank you to parents who are communicating with either myself, the office or supplying a note when your child has been absent for any reason.
- Please make sure students transport their communication books to and from school, as this is our means of communication between school and home.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school or via email. kate.lindblom126@schools.sa.edu.au

Regards,

Kate Lindblom

The Cooking Program

Cooking with Miss Seal is a lesson students look forward to each term....and with good reason! Last week we were lucky enough to cook up a delicious feast that entailed fresh focaccia, cheesy vegetable pasta bake and a fresh, healthy salad. We grow a large range of fresh food at Kirton Point Primary and we use it in our cooking classes. This means we have access to a wide range of fresh produce. This term's session helped us to practise many life skills, including; kitchen safety, mincing garlic, using the oven and stove, kneading dough, setting a table and how to exhibit good table manners. Can't wait until next term's cooking class!

