



THE RAINBOW REPORTER

**A Carson Street School
Newsletter, written by
the students, for the
students**

This term our Yellow Gum friends have been in charge of the Rainbow Reporter, and what an amazing job they have done, coming up with so many fun articles for you to read and ideas of things you might want to do in the holidays.

They are also responsible for a piece of mail that landed on the desk of the Rainbow Reporter office, that is truly 'Out of this World'! See inside for more details...it is so special! As well as that, they have been animal detectives and interviewed someone who knows a lot about our favourite animals.

Not only that (pew!!), Wattle and Banksia sent an interview to someone VERY important last term, and they have also received a reply. This is perhaps our most prestigious interview yet. I can't wait for you to see it.

What an interview packed edition! Amazing work Reporters!

What's For Breakfast Dillon?

Sometimes it is hard to think of new breakfast ideas. We have the same things all the time...boring! It can be really nice to mix it up and try something new. Chef Dillon has created his perfect breakfast, which he describes as “Yucky!”, but maybe you would like to give it a go!



Dillon's breakfast is made up of Coco Pops, scones and jam, pizza, tuna pasta, bread and butter pudding with ice cream and a smoothie!! Let us know if you give it a try, or maybe you can create your own crazy breakfast ideas and send us a photo!

Yummy Ice Cream

If you are still hungry after Dillon's breakfast you could always have one of Zack's ice cream creations for dessert! Zack has created a masterpiece to finish off any meal. With three different scoops of ice cream, you will be able to taste orange, pizza and cake in this tasty treat. Who wants to give it a try?!



What ice cream flavours would you like to try? Here are some ideas...



chocolate



honey



sausage



smelly socks



apple pie



berries



Vegemite



broccoli

What other flavours can you think of?

Making Friends!

River has some good advice about the best way to make new friends. "You ask them who they are and how old they are." River gave it a try and he took photos of who he met on the way.



This is Horatio. He is 6.

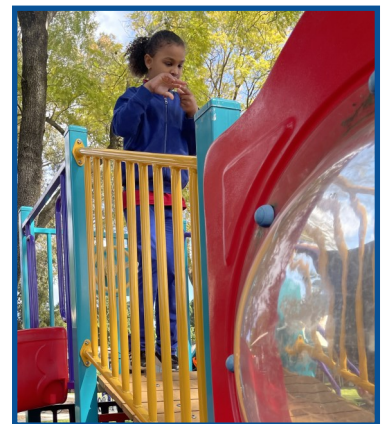


This is Alisa. She is 11.



This is Milena. She is 7.

This is Caleb. He is 10.

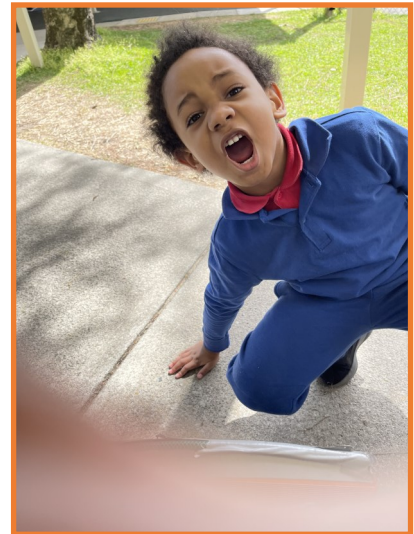


This is Jouri. She is 8.

Making Friends!



This is Mrs Jones. She is a “ripe middle age!”



This is Jordan. He is 6.

This is Ameliah. She is 8.



This is Sarah. She is 32.

This is Natalia. She is 43.



Great work River. You made lots of new friends and took some excellent photos! If you are going to a different school next year or in a class with new friends, this is a great way to get to know people.

Octopus Art

Declan used the class PODD to say that he wanted to draw a picture of a very cool animal...an octopus. He did a fantastic illustration and has told us some fun facts about his octopus.

My Octopus' name is 'Clock Summer'.



He likes to eat pasta.



He likes to play with toy cars.



Get Your Dancing Shoes On

Have you seen Paw Patrol? Jaxon has and he loves it...especially the Pup Pup Boogie episodes.

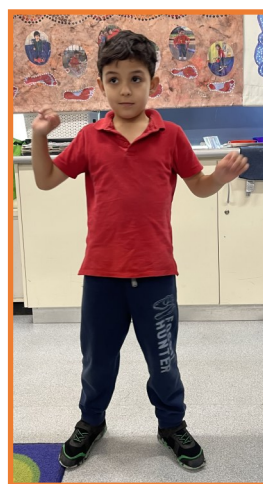
He says:

“First watch the Pup Pup Boogie on Paw Patrol. Put it on the big screen. Then listen to the song. (*I found it on Spotify*). Can you do my moves?”

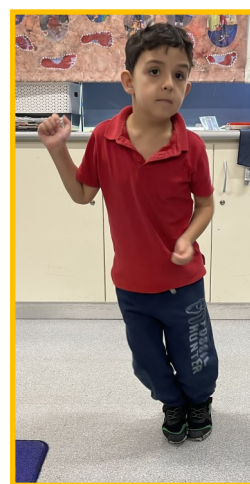
See if you can copy Jaxon’s dance moves whilst listening to the song. Or maybe you can come up with some of your own.



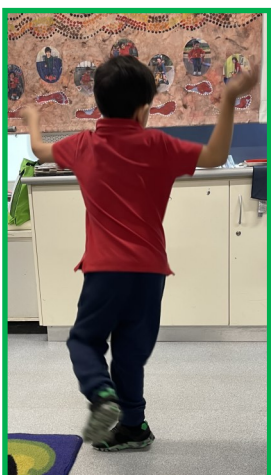
1. Hands down and twist your legs.



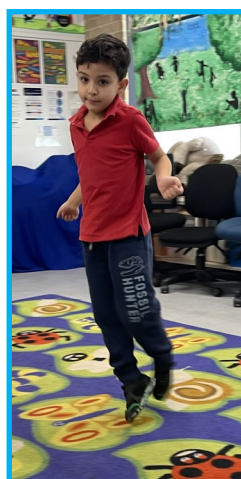
2. Hands up in the air.



3. Small jumps from side to side.



4. Turn around with a jump and twist.



5. Jump around the room... boing, boing, boing!

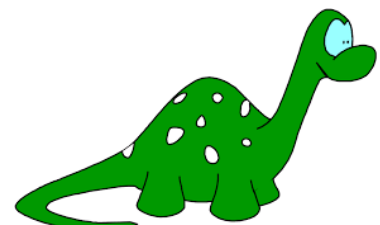
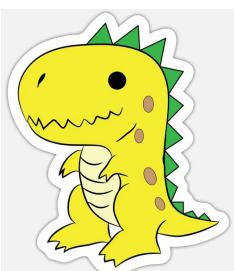
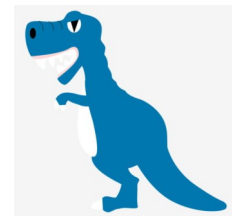
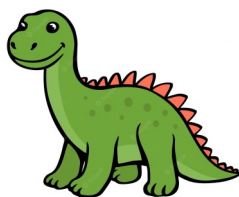
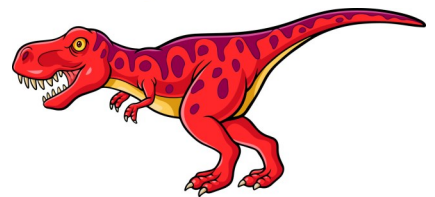
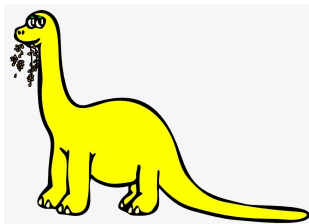
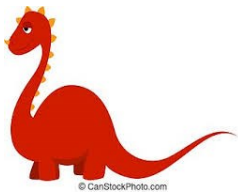


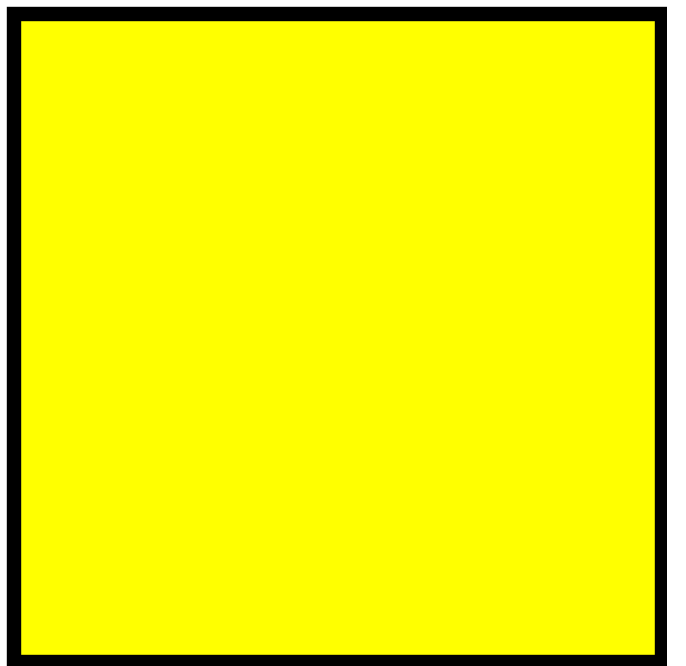
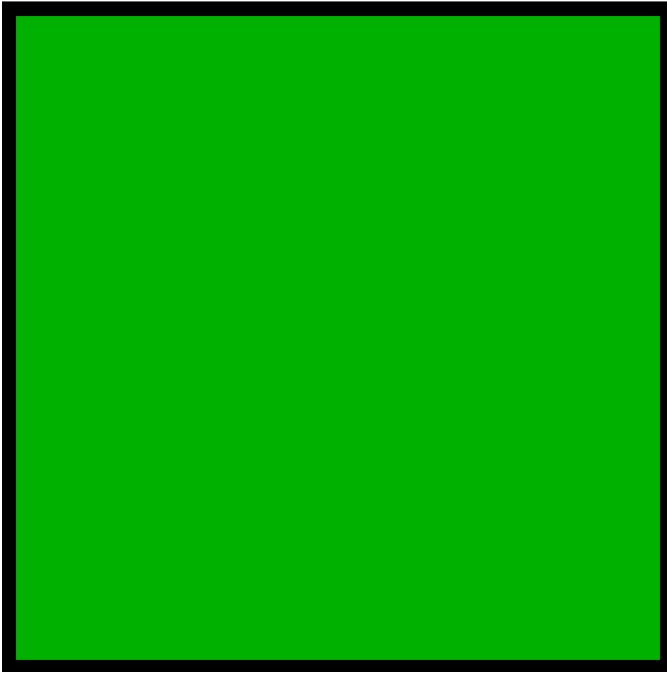
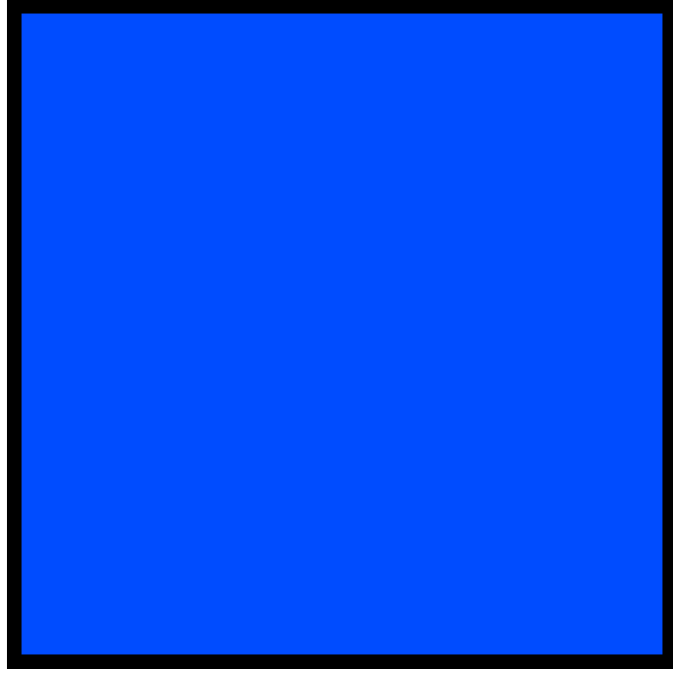
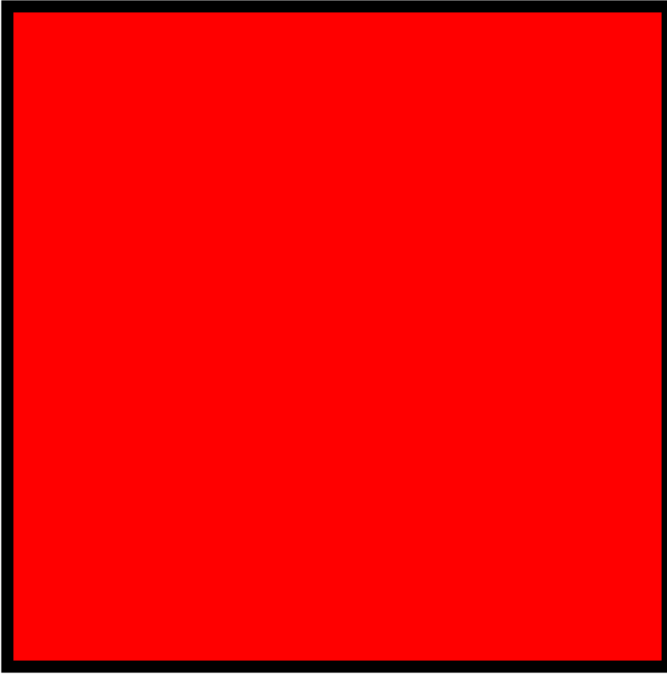
6. Show us your best moves!

Sorting Fun

Cyril is a whizz at matching and sorting activities. He can colour sort his favourite toys, counters and blocks quickly, and wants you to have a go too.

Can you sort these dinosaurs into the correct colour boxes on the next page?





Sports With Bayan

Bayan wanted to introduce you to some sports that you might not have played before...‘catch’ and ‘putt putt golf’. He showed Mr Poon and River his skills. Sometimes trying something new can be scary at first but it turns out to be fun in the end! These would be great activities to try in the holidays.



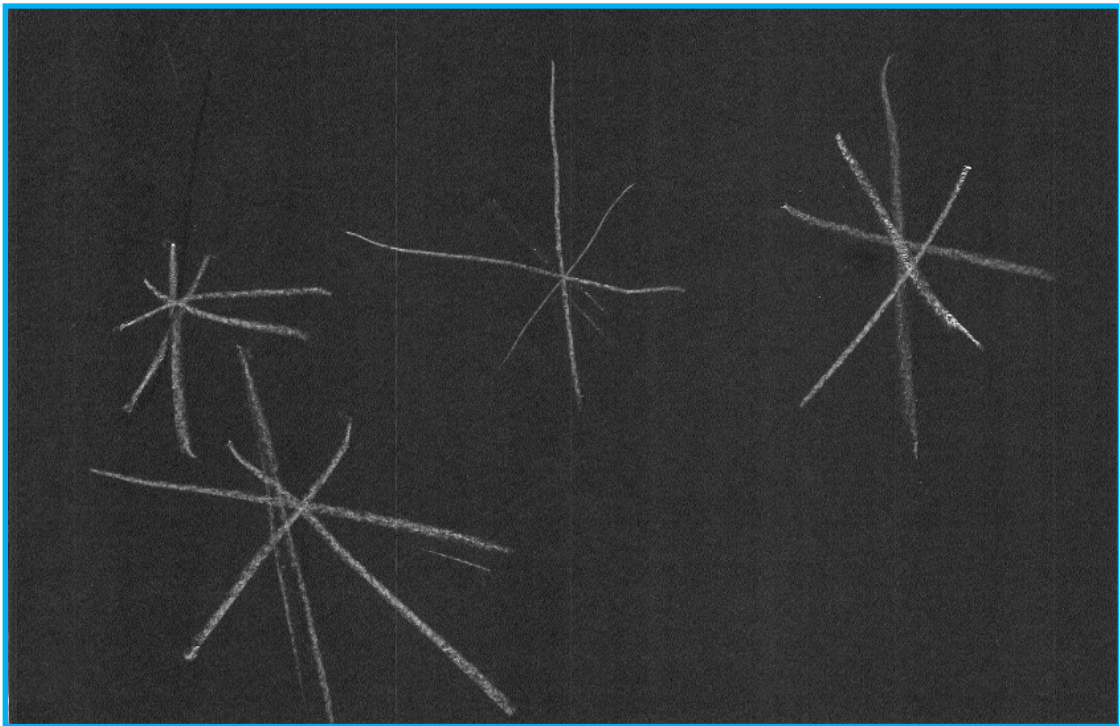
Catch is “ok and cool”.

Putt putt is “great’ but it made me feel “worried.”



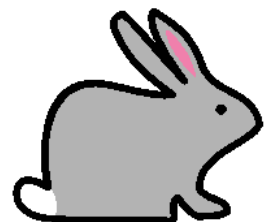
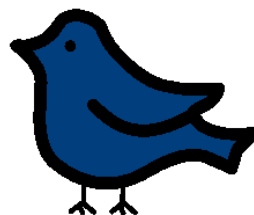
The Red Bus

Our student author for this edition is Brooklyn. He has written a story for everyone and drawn a beautiful illustration to go with it.
Great work Brooklyn!



The Red Bus

On a sunny day, I go to the farm on a red bus and I will go to see stars in the night sky with the baby puppy, koala, bird and rabbit.



Interview with...

The Prime Minister



Last term, as well as writing to the amazing author and illustrator Heath McKenzie, Banksia and Wattle classes decided to write to one of the most important people in the country...the Prime Minister, the Hon. Anthony Albanese. A little while later an envelope arrived on the Rainbow Reporter desk and on the back was this ...



With much excitement, we opened it up to find a letter from the Prime Minister, which talked about the awesome work the Rainbow Reporter does as well as answering some of the questions that the students asked.

What an amazing achievement for Wattle and Banksia, who used their AAC systems and big voices to ask questions of the man who runs the country...and he listened and replied. We are very proud of our reporters, and a big congratulations to those whose questions he chose to answer, who were (in order as the questions appear in the letter) Mia, Carlos, Tykeem, E. and Emilie. The letter will be on display in the front office for everyone to read.



PRIME MINISTER
The Hon Anthony Albanese MP

03 JUL 2023

Reference: MC23-036754

Ms Sarah Rowe
Student Voice Coordinator
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Dear Ms Rowe,

What a delight to hear from you. Not just to learn about Carson Street School, but to be invited to contribute to the school newsletter, The Rainbow Reporter. What a great initiative. Anything that gives children an outlet to make their voices heard this way is to be commended.

To all the students who wrote, thank you. I have to say it's a fascinatingly wide range of questions you've sent me. I'll try answer just a few of them for now.

Do I love my family? Yes I do, so very much. Family is everything. I care very much about making things better for all people – friends, neighbours, and all Australians – and that's a spirit that started with my family.

What did I have for lunch when I was at school? My favourite was a cheese and vegemite sandwich.

What is my favourite bus? I always caught the 459 or 470 to School.

Do I like to splash in the sea? You bet. Especially when the surf's not too rough.

Last but definitely not least: What is my favourite animal? I love animals generally because there's so much we can learn from them and I think they make us better people. However, I have only one favourite and that is my beautiful dog, Toto.

Thanks to all of you for getting in touch. It has been such delight hearing about all the good things you're doing. I'm so grateful to have had this chance to take part.

Yours with very warm wishes,

ANTHONY ALBANESE

Interview with... An Astronaut

We have had some pretty amazing interviews so far in the Rainbow Reporter but Yellow Gum wanted to go even further. How cool would it be to write to someone who not only spends time on Earth...but also in space!!! So they came up with some questions for an astronaut and we posted it off in the mail to NASA, the space agency all the way in the United States of America, where they blast rockets into space all the time.

And guess what...we heard back from one!! This is Jessica Meir, who has been to all ends of the Earth and beyond, from studying penguins in Antarctica to living aboard the International Space Station for over six months and participating in space walks. She has a pretty impressive Wikipedia page for those who want to know more about her. Maybe check it out at home with your parents or carers.



Jessica U. Meir

Jessica sent us a signed photo that will be proudly displayed in the front office for you to come and see, that says “To The Carson Street School. Thank you for your excellent questions and enthusiasm for space! Ad Astra (*which means ‘to the stars’*) Jessica Meir ISS Exp 61/62” (*which are the international space station missions she was on.*)

Interview with... An Astronaut

Where are you going? To the moon or a star? Zachary

We currently send astronauts to the International Space Station and are also working on sending astronauts back to the moon!

What is the sun full of? Jaxon

The sun is a hot ball of gas, mostly hydrogen and helium.

Do you have a pet dog? Bayan

I grew up with dogs but currently don't have one. Hopefully we will get one in the future!

How many people are in your house? Dillon

3— my husband, my 6 month old baby and me.

When you have a cold and you want to sneeze and need to go to a hospital, what do you do in space? Declan

We have first aid training and have lots of medicine and supplies in space. If we have a problem, we can call a doctor on the ground and if things are severe, we can come back to Earth.

Is your rocket fast? Eliot

Yes, very fast! Did you know on the International Space Station we travel 17,500 miles an hour?

Are there turtles, pandas and orangutangs in space? River

Turtles, pandas and orangutangs live only on Earth, as far as anyone knows!

Interview with... A Zookeeper

One of the most exciting jobs out there surely must be a zookeeper! Yellow Gum have been learning all about the Zoo this term, so have put on their detective hats and have written to one of the Perth Zoo Keepers to find out more information about their favourite animals. Thank you to Zoo Keeper Suzi for these amazing answers. I think we can all learn something new.

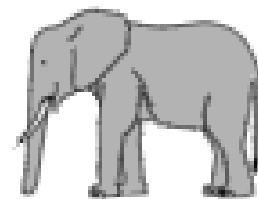


Do you love giraffes? Zach

Hi Zach, I do love giraffes. I love that they are so tall and can reach the leaves from the very tops of the trees that other animals can't reach. I also love the way they gallop around on their long legs.

What do elephants eat? I think they eat dinosaurs!! Eliot

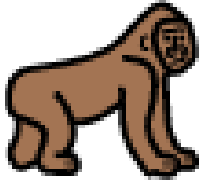
Hi Eliot, Elephants love to eat plants – leaves, flowers, fruit and branches. They are herbivores. They are big animals and they eat a lot – up to 160kg of plants each day! Which are your favourite plants to eat?



What is your favourite animal? Brooklyn

Hi Brooklyn, I have two favourite animals. The big scaly prehistoric predator that is the crocodile and the small cute and furry nocturnal sugar glider.

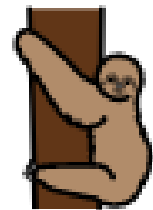
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Do gorillas live in the jungle? Bayan
Hi Bayan, Gorillas do live in the jungles in Africa, however sometimes we call it tropical forest. The forest that the gorillas live in provides all that they need to survive – food, shelter and a place to play with their friends and spend time with their families.

Do Orangutans pull branches off to get leaves to eat? River

Hi River, Orangutans love to eat leaves, flowers and fruit. They use their human-like hands to reach out to the branches to bring the food closer to their mouths! Orangutans also make a new night nest each day to sleep in. They make their night nest soft and comfortable by lining it with leaves because they don't have a soft bed like we do!



How do sloths climb up trees? Jaxon

Slowly! Sloths are excellent climbers because they have great big sharp claws to help them grip onto the tree as they climb. They move very slowly which helps them stay balanced too.

Interview with... A Zookeeper



Do peacocks have a door that leads to their bedroom? Dillon

Hi Dillon, Peacocks and peahens do not have a door to their bedroom like you do. The peahens (girls) make a nest by scraping a hole under a shrub to lay their eggs in and raise their peachicks. Peacocks roost/sleep in trees at night.

What is the difference between a hippo and an elephant? Declan

Hi Declan. Good question! First of all they are similar in some ways as they are both mammals – animals that have fur covering their body and feed milk to their young. We are mammals too. They are also very different though. Hippos have small ears and elephants have big ears. Hippos have some pointy teeth while elephants teeth are flat for grinding like your back teeth (molars). Both like the water but hippos spend more time swimming. Elephants also have a trunk – do hippos?



How **AMAZING** were our three interviews!

You can use your voice, however it may sound, with whatever tools you need to help you, and ask a question, and someone will hear you and answer you, whether they are on a space walk, feeding a lion or running the country! So use your beautiful big voices everyone. They are so important.

Reading Corner

This term was Book Week. Yellow Gum read 'Frank's Red Hat' by Sean E Avery, one of the books nominated for a prize. You can find this book in the library if you want to read it. Here is what Yellow Gum thought.

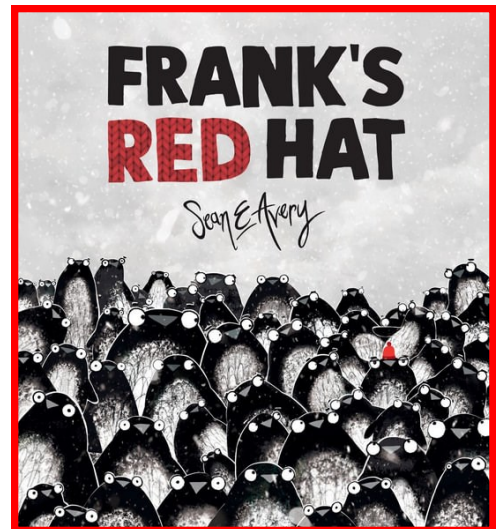
I like it so much and it was so cool. The killer whale bit was scary. Jaxon– aged 6

The hats are good to count. I like the colour page. You can read it. I think it is bad, naughty and silly. Zach– aged 6

I liked it. It was good and cool. The hats were ok. It was right. It made me think of ice cream. Brooklyn– aged 7

It was good. I liked all the hats. Bayan– aged 6

I like this book. I think it is a good book. Frank's red hat is cool. I want to make a green hat. Eliot– aged 6



It wasn't a good book. The hats were yucky! Dillon– aged

It was clever. I liked to see it. Declan– aged 7

Doctors And Nurses

This term we had an incursion from the AWCH to give us an opportunity to talk about how hospitals make us feel. It is so important to be able to talk about good and bad things, things we are worried about, and to ask questions about things we are unsure of. Hospitals can be a very triggering place for many people, so to have this opportunity to talk in a safe place was crucial. See over the page for some photos of the fun, but here is a snapshot of just some of the thoughts our students had about hospitals. We have kept them anonymous but these reflect the thoughts of many .

Really gross

Noisy

Busy

Feelings-pain

Nervous

Worried

Frustrated and
frightened

Doctors and nurses
are fun and cool.

I feel happy
when I am
better.

Happy and brave

When my body is sick, I
like medicine.

I don't like
hospitals but
doctors are
great.

Doctors and nurses
make me feel curious.

Hospitals make me
feel happy. I feel
safe.

I feel surprised at hospitals. I go when I am sick. You can have an operation on your arm, shoulder, hand and stomach and get a band aid.

I feel worried
when I have a cut
or headache so I
go to the doctor.

Doctors And Nurses



Everyone had so much fun and would all make great doctors and nurses, Being Kind to Others.

Packing Away With Eliot

At the end of a busy day, it is important to help out and do your jobs. Eliot wants to show you how you can be Kind to Yourself and Kind to Others, by packing up your own bag.



“Zipping”

“It’s time to pack up!”



“Packing.
Pushing.”

“It’s closing.”



“Happy.”

Principal for the Day

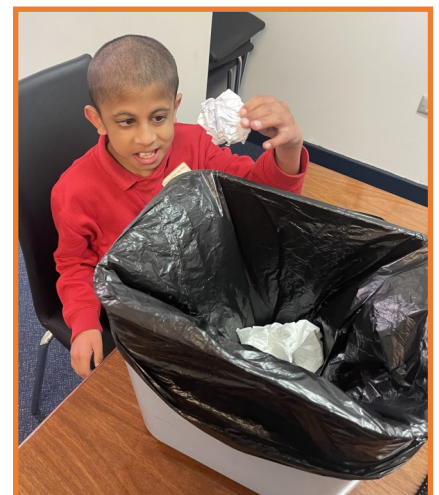
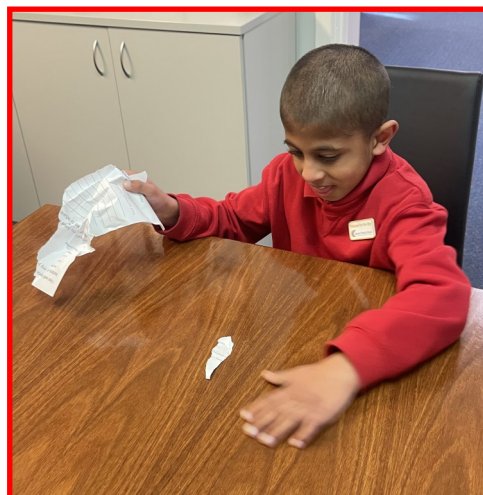
Ridhan was this term's Principal, after suggesting we have "more storytelling and dress ups". What a busy day he had!



From the moment he arrived, he gave everyone a cheery start to the day by greeting staff and students.

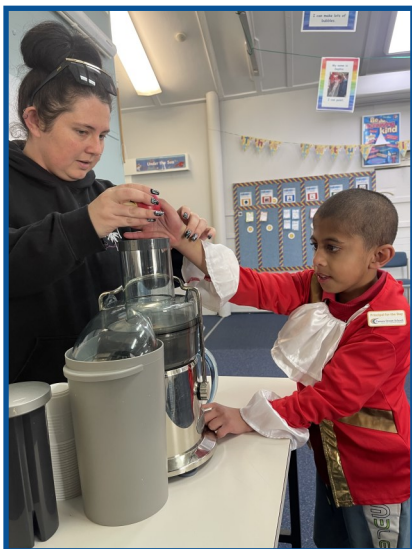
Not happy with the interior decorations of his office, he decided that a new carpet was needed.

He made his thoughts about the meeting minutes very clear...but was Kind to the Environment by putting his rubbish in the bin.



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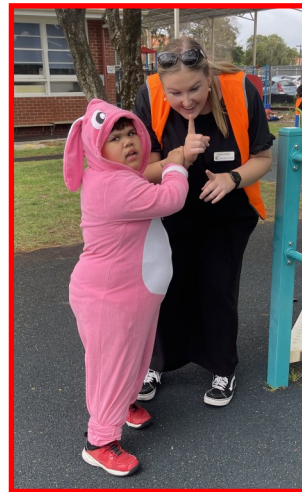
A huge Crunch and Sip feast was held in Principal Ridhan's honour. He made his own apple juice and enjoyed when the students came to taste some yummy treats.



It was then time for the main event, with dress ups and story time in the playground at lunchtime. Lots of Ridhan's friends had so much fun dressing up and playing together.

Thank you Principal Ridhan for your great idea!

Principal for the Day



Faction Update

This term's Faction Event was organised by **GREEN** Faction Captain Payton. She made it very clear that her activity had to be something that every student could do in the same way; what a very thoughtful school leader!



She created her own ocean themed game, where students pressed down on the flinger and sent ocean animals back into the ocean. Students could score 8, 11 or 60 points depending on the animal they chose and where in the ocean it landed. What a popular game!! The students loved using the flinger and it was a fun activity to do during recess.



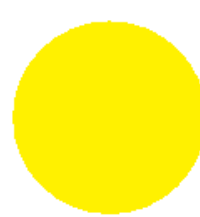
The winners of the game were **GREEN** faction with 1069 points, closely followed by Blue, Yellow, then Red. So what has this done to our grand total ...well there is no change at the top with Green still in the lead, but Blue has gained extra points this term and have made their way to second place! It's all to play for in Term Four!



2166 points



1834 points



1803 points



1699 points

Enjoy your holidays everyone. We have certainly given you lots to read over the break. See you in Term Four!