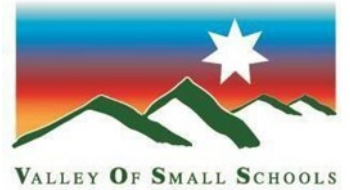




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TERM 2 WEEK 7-8

18th June 2020

Creative Arts

The junior class have been learning about underwater creatures during their Inquiry journey about sustainability. They used their fingers to blend water colours, the texture in the paint created by our fingers creates a fantastic water effect that we just can't match with a brush. The children drew their own silhouettes of turtles by following the teacher in a guided drawing lesson. These was added to give an image of turtles swimming in the deep.



World Environment Day

On Friday June 5 we acknowledged World Environment Day. Run by the United Nations, it is a day designed to celebrate the environment. World Environment Day aims to raise awareness about the issues the environment currently faces and encourage people to take action. The theme this year is Biodiversity. The children spent a day of Inquiry, researching the meaning of Biodiversity, investigating the biodiversity in our school grounds and designing ways to increase this.



The senior students adopted a tree to observe over the weeks and months. During this time students will collect data about how the tree changes and how the tree interacts with our environment, other plants and animals.



Art in Nature

Our students have been admiring the artworks of British artist, Andy Goldsworthy, an excellent example of an artist who is not only inspired by nature but creates art using natural materials. His land art sculptures are intentionally temporary and left in their environment.



We have been creating our own artworks on the land, and taking photos of them. These are currently on display in the Library window.



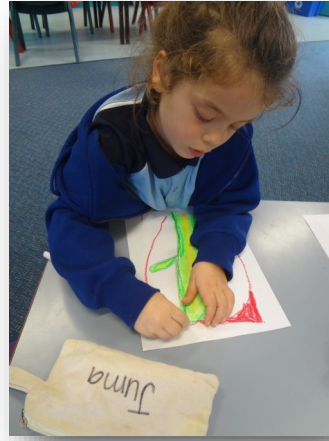
Working with Clay

The senior students have been using the school yard to look for natural objects that have interesting patterns. These objects were used to inspire their clay work which also had to have a connection to biodiversity.



Blending Colours

The Junior class have been learning how to blend colours using oil pastels. They have also been learning how to choose colours that complement each other. Their cactus drawings were inspired by the cactus artwork that the Senior class created a few weeks back.



Uniforms

Please make sure all of your child's uniforms are clearly labelled with their names. Also as the weather is cooling down please make sure they wear warm clothes including a school jumper.

Water Bottles

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, the bubblers at school are still unable to be used. Please make sure your child comes to school each day with their own water bottle. Children have the opportunity to refill their water bottles throughout the day.

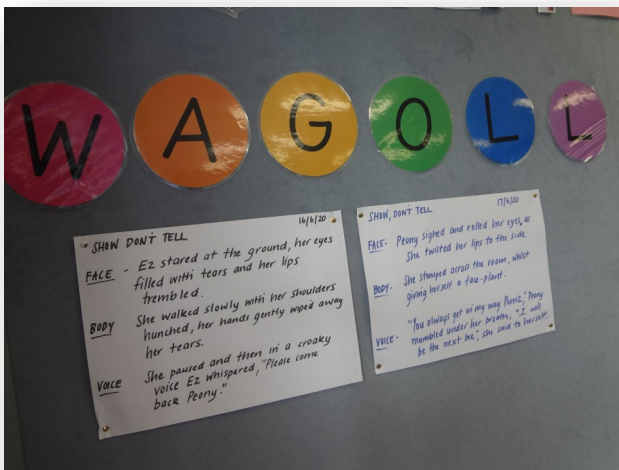


Literacy

The senior students are working through the Sevens Steps to Writing Success, which are building blocks to great writing. As we learn and practise each step we are gaining in confidence as creative and engaging writers.

This week we are working on the step 'Show, Don't Tell!', proving that actions really do speak louder than words.

We have been jointly writing examples of 'Show, Don't Tell' and adding these examples to our WAGOLL (What A Good One Looks Like) Wall.



Mathematics

The Junior class have been learning how to multiply, double numbers and to look for near doubles when adding and subtracting. In class we explored the idea of doubling through stories and we made ice-creams and doubled the scoops.



Senior Snow Excursion 2021

Students in Years 5 and 6 in 2021 will be able to participate in an excursion to the snow in Term 3 2021, with other students from VoSS schools. The cost of the excursion will be approximately \$1000. This covers the bus, ski hire, ski-lift pass, ski lessons, accommodation and food. For this excursion, the group will be going straight to the snow and be skiing on Monday afternoon, all day Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday morning and then travelling to be home early Friday morning.

In the past, time has been spent in Canberra but the organising committee decided to just go to the snow to enable the students to enjoy a longer time skiing. This is not a permission note or an expression of interest, it is a pre-warning and a payment plan suggestion for any families who would like to pay the cost by instalments. Our finance system is able to carry forward funds paid towards the excursion. All excursion costs must be paid prior to the excursion. If you would like to discuss this activity further please contact one of the teachers.

More information and an expression of interest will be coming later in the year. Permission notes and medical forms will be sent home in 2021.

Payment Plan 10 x \$100 payments. No payments in December and January

2020	
July	\$100
August	\$100
September	\$100
October	\$100
November	\$100
2021	
February	\$100
March	\$100
April	\$100
May	\$100
June	\$100
Total	\$1000

