



# Melrose Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER ~ Term 2 Week 6 2017

### SPECIAL DATES AND EVENTS

- 12/06 Public Holiday
- 22/06 JP Assembly
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Dear Parents and Friends of Melrose Primary

#### SAPSASA Cross Country

Congratulations to Students for their selection and participation in the State SAPSASA Cross Country competition which was held at Oakbank last week. Students participated in the 10 Year Old Boys group and finished in the middle of the pack. Making the state competition is certainly an achievement, so well done. Thank you also to parents for taking students to the event.

#### Fat Tyre Festival Stall

We're looking forward to this long weekend's festivities in Melrose. We have two parts to our school's contribution in supporting the festival. Brooke and Wanda have organised a stall/exhibition to showcase what we as a school are doing in the area of recycling. We also have a White Elephant Stall with Jess, Tess and Sarah leading this. Thank you also, in anticipation to those who have volunteered to work on our stall this weekend.

#### Pupil Free Day

Our Pupil Free Day yesterday went really well. Brooke, Wanda, Julianne and I participated in a Flinders Partnership workshop at Booleroo Centre. There was much positive and interactive working and learning between schools present. The focus of the day was 'Learning Design, Assessment and Moderation'. Keynote speakers travelled from Adelaide to present to all staff.

#### Arts Performance

Today our students along with students from Wilmington travelled to Booleroo Centre District School to attend a School Performance Tours production of, 'Heave Ho, Off We Go'. We would like to thank Mr Paul Arthur (Head of Primary at Booleroo Centre DS) for inviting us and for also organising this event. We had a great time.

Regards

Murray

### **Recorder Lessons**

Last Thursday both classes had a recorder lesson given by two teachers from Adelaide and also our local music teacher Sarah, who is based at Peterborough. The Education Department is supporting us to reintroduce a music program in our school.

Learning to play the recorder is a good introduction in learning to read music and in learning to play other musical instruments.

The visiting teachers were very impressed with our student's engagement within the lessons, the student's friendliness, good manners and good listening skills.

As a school we now have a decision to make.

Student comments from the experience included

Last week we had a recorder lesson and we learnt one note and how to hold the recorder. We all played a song.

It was great fun.

We had a recorder lesson with a teacher, she had a wooden recorder and we all had a plastic recorder and it was good fun.

### **The Science of Making Toffee Apples- Upper Primary Class**

How easy is it to make toffee apples? Just make some toffee, dip the apples into the toffee and all done!!!

We made toffee apples on Wednesday morning for the school's stall at the Fat Tyre Festival. We researched how to make the toffee and to find out any tips that would help us be successful. Nothing could go wrong.

In the end all worked out well. The toffee apples have been wrapped and look great. They'll certainly be a seller.

What we experienced:

We had the wrong type of apple. We should have used Granny Smith apples. The You Tube said to use Granny Smith apples because using other types of apples, the toffee would bubble and that happened.

We also burnt one batch of toffee.

Reactions from our class:

"It was an amazing experience"

"making the toffee apples were delicious because we got to try some of the toffee."

"We ruined one batch of toffee".

We can't wait till our next cooking lesson.



## Community News



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# Japanese Report にほんご Nihongo



Minasan, Konnichiwa (Everyone, good afternoon)!

I can't believe this term has passed the half way mark already..!!

JP students have been learning about animal words. Now they are learning how animals make noises in Nihongo (Japanese). Surprisingly they are different to English ones! Each student has made an animal hat and we have started to practise a little play..! Some students thought it is a good play and some thought it is ok, and some thought it is a bit tricky...but I was very proud of them in the first practice! Yoku ganbarimashita (you tried really hard)! Ms McCulloch was the relief teacher that day so we were lucky to have her expertise in drama. Arigatō (Thank you)!

UP students have been working on their class Big Picture book Project— they have decided to call it “Ōkii Ehon Purojekuto”! Each student chose an animal and created a bilingual short text about it. They have been working on the draft for drawing and designing and they are about to start working on the big papers! Each student has had individual work time for this and the progress has varied with each student – Students have started on the big paper, Sugoi (great) ☺ I am excited to see the end product and UP students, ganbatte (keep working!) 👍

Arigatō (Thank you),

Miyamoto sensei