PRINCIPALS REPORT

Respect is a word that is used in almost every school. Respect shapes a large part of how adults view what ‘normal’ everyday social interactions should look like, and includes body language, speech, innuendo, observable behaviour, social skills and underlying thoughts about the world. When respect is not shown most people can identify what behaviours are disrespectful. Most adults have a clear understanding about what behaviours are necessary to be respectful in everyday life. Teaching young people about respect is not quite as easily done and is a process that continues over a long period of time. Labertouche PS staff are committed to providing a consistent, experiential approach to educating students of the value of being respectful to material objects, each other, to adults, to teachers and, of course, to family. There are always hiccups along the journey; students for some reason don’t make good choices all of the time. I would like assure our community that our students are monitored and provided with lots of support to further their understanding of what respectful behaviour looks, sounds and feels like.

Our first transition day took place on Tuesday the 8th of November for the 2017 preps. We are hoping that everyone will be present next Tuesday and that we can capture the moment for all to share.

We were very fortunate to have a visit from the R.S.L. this week. We have some photos for next weeks newsletter. Developing and deepening our understanding of Remembrance Day is a really important part of our history, present and future. Senior students were given the opportunity to dress in WWI uniforms and outfits. One of the comments from the students was “it’s heavier than it looks”. Remembrance Day is an important opportunity to take a moment to reflect on the hardship and sacrifice that people have made, and continue to make, to allow our democratic way of life to continue. Lest We Forget.
THIS WEEKS AWARDS

Students dress up in the uniform of men and women that served in WW1.

SENIOR CLASS

On Thursday, students in the senior grade had a visit from Carolyn from the Shrine of Remembrance. Carolyn shared a wealth of information about the war memorial and those who served and those who died in the Great War of 1914-1918 and armed conflicts and peacekeeping duties since.

Students wrote a recount of Carolyn’s visit on Thursday:

On Thursday, after Art, we all came in with a surprise. I see a guest speaker with all these army things. I wondered what we were doing. As we sat down, she said her name was Carolyn and she worked for the Shrine of Remembrance, which is a place like a museum that has lots of army stuff inside. As she talked about the army I learnt that on their coats or jumper they had to put this sort of bag thing over your coat. It had heaps of pockets on it and every pocket had a special thing that fit right inside. Their drink bottles held at least 500-600ml. I got to try on a nurses costume that nurses had to wear in winter and summer – it was long sleeve. It was really fun and I learnt so much about the army and I am so excited for Remembrance Day and to remember everyone that fought.

By Cheyanne

On Thursday we had a visit from a wonderful lady named Carolyn. First she talked to us about where she worked, at the Shrine of Remembrance. She showed us the uniforms the men and women wore, she even let us wear them! It was ok for her to do this as they were replica’s. It was AWESOME! We were able to see the things they used. My favourite this was wearing the costumes. I was a nurse; I wore a dress, an apron, a shoulder cape and a nurses cap. I was fun to learn about everything!

By Paige

On Thursday Carolyn from the Shrine of Remembrance came to visit us. I learnt that some solders had tools such as a mini hoe. I enjoyed looking at the tools they had.

By Ryan

I got dressed up in an army suit. It felt very heavy. I got to hold World War 1 things like a pick-axe, wide telescope, very old food, barb-wire cutters and a candle.

By Phoenix
Thank you to our wonderful teachers for glamorously dressing up and brightening our day last Thursday!

OAKS DAY

PREP TRANSITION

Tuesday was our first transition day for the kindergarten students that start foundation next year. I was lucky enough to be able to spend the whole morning with Johanna and Tahlia doing a range of different activities. They had fun and played with all of the other students during snack. The junior class is looking forward to having them join in with the whole class next Tuesday.

REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that all report folders need to be return to the office please.

PREP / GRADE 2 NEWS

SUSTAINABILITY

Cameron took no time making ‘something new out of something old’ with a masterpiece of a creation! He typed up a piece of writing explaining how he made it:

“I made a robot out of recycling. First I got a water tub. Second I got a toilet roll. Third I got two football bottles. Fourth I got a cheese box. Fifth I got a chocolate milk bottle. Sixth I got paper for the buttons. Seventh I put on foil. I made the eyes. Then I made the hands. After that I made the mouth.”

From Cameron
PREP / GRADE 2 CONT.
The letter was z for this week, the students made more than one fabulous zoo.

THIS WEEKS PUZZLE
See if you can find the way through the maze!