

The Grade 5/6 Team Weekly Newsletter

This week's newsletter is proudly brought to you by Laikyn & Emily

What's been happening in the 5/6 Team this week?

Writing: We've been writing persuasive texts about why we should get a pay rise for doing our monitor job. We get paid in Earn and Learn dollars to do our jobs. Most people get \$150 a week, some people get \$200 and a few people get \$250.

Maths: Mrs Placek's maths group did an activity with a partner where you have to roll a dice four times each. You have see who gets the biggest number and whoever gets it, wins the game. Miss Crowther's maths group did some counting patterns with halves, thirds and quarters. Mr J's maths group has been working with decimals. We've all been comparing temperatures around the world with our blog buddies. Mrs S in Tasmania set up a Google Form for us so that we can track the data. We used Twitter to tweet our discoveries.

Reading: At the moment we are doing Read to Self and Read to Someone. We made two lists about what it takes to do a good job at Read to Self and Read to Someone. Eg: For Read to Self: focus on the book, let others learn, start straight away. On the other list (for Read to Someone) is sit EEKK (elbow to elbow, knee to knee), ask questions to check for understanding, stay in one place and start straight away.

Art: In Art we are doing portraits of our own faces. We started off doing our eyes and making them detailed to look realistic. After we did our eyes we measured our faces so we knew where to put our eyes, nose and mouth. Before we drew our noses on our faces we had a practise on a different page. Next week we are doing our lips, ears, hair and adjusting our faces.

Science: In Science lately we've been doing research about fruit life cycles. Eg: You get apple seeds out of an apple, dig a hole in the ground, you put the seed in the hole, put the dirt back on, water it every day about one or two times and wait for it to grow.

Inquiry: In Inquiry we are still doing Earn and Learn. It is a program that we have in the classroom. We have fake jobs that we do and we get payed for doing it! ☺ There is also homework insurance that you can pay so you don't have to stay in for not doing your homework. But, if you don't do your homework you have to pay more each week for your insurance and one day it will cost too much.

Have you subscribed to our class blog?

The address is <http://upps56team.global2.vic.edu.au>. Look for the 'Subscribe' option on the right hand side and type in your email address.



5/6 Team Notice Board

Genius Hour runs from 9am – 10am on Fridays. If you can help, please let Mrs Placek (AKA Princess Fairy Tinkerbell) or Miss Crowther (AKA Princess Fairy Binkertell) know.

We've got people who want to build things. If you have wood or nails you don't want, please give them to us!

If you can help with the Stephannie Alexander Kitchen Garden program on Fridays please talk to Miss Joy or Miss Fenech.

Congratulations to Brodie, Billie, Scarlet and Dylan for getting this week's awards.

Well Done. 😊

We still have some 'Global UPdate' magazines for sale. See us if you would like to buy one!

Happy Birthday to Marnie and Cam for this week!



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Each week we will be asking people from our class a question and sharing their answers with you. This week we asked

What do you like about reading?



The thing I like about reading is that we get to do Read to Self.

The thing I like about reading is that we get to do lots of it because I like reading.

I like how in Read to Self you can read without anyone talking and in Read to Someone I like my partner's fluency

I like how I can just relax and read without getting distracted and when I do Read to Someone I can tell the person what's going on and I don't have to read it in my head.