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CELEBRATING LEARNING IN ... F / 1

A trip to Bundoora Park

Earlier this term, the Grade F/1 students visited Bundoora Park. We learnt how to make scones, make compost, hand feed animals and had a ride on the electric carriage.



In Grade F/1 we are learning to write rhymes

Roses are red,
Roses are white,
Heights are scary,
A person had a name
And it was Mary.

By Jeremy

Mrs Cute Cat sat on a brick wall,
And had a big kick,
All the little kittens and all the cats,
said supercalifragilisticexpialidocious

By Hannah

Rose are red, By Beau
Pigs are pink,
Trees are brown,
But they all are fat
and they all fall down.

Roses are pink,
And dogs are smelly,
Dolphins are good,
And lions are watching telly.

By Willow P

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Learning from

This crazy week in the witchcraft and wizardry classroom, Hagrid has been teaching us how to write an advertisement. We all wrote our own advert for Willowmavin Primary School.

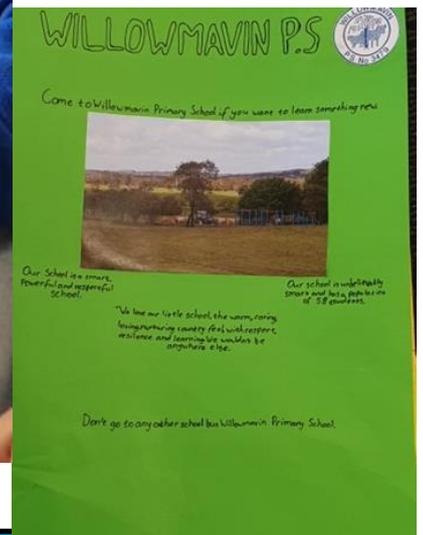
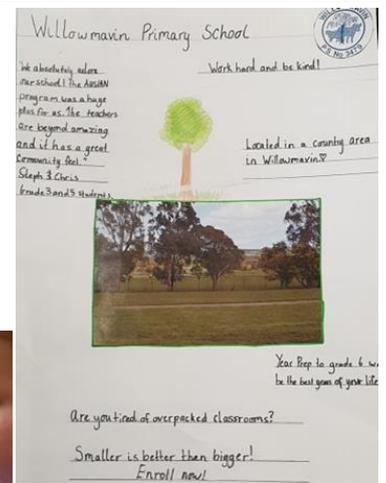
Jesse Jervis

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This week in Hogwarts, Professor Taylor has been teaching us money in maths. We have been learning how to add money on a budget. For example; you are having a picnic and your budget is \$30. You need to buy items for your picnic, add them up and check if you have spent under \$30.

Tanika Dale

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The crazy Hogwarts classroom have been working on paintings inspired by Vincent Van Gough's Sunflowers. We have also recently started designing skulls for Mexico's El dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead).

Seren McKeever



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Celebrations!

It's always nice when the celebration for the newsletter writes itself. And each term, I find our community engagement events do exactly that! What an awesome day yesterday was as we celebrated our House Colours at Willowmavin!

An early start saw staff well into work by 7:30am in preparation for the day. In fact, staff were well into work weeks ago in their preparations for this event. Almost 2/3 of our students arrived just before 8am to take part in our "Walk to School" – a fantastic turnout! Also fantastic was seeing younger siblings and parents joining in. The 1.5km walk around the Hiscocks' paddock was an energising (or exhausting, depending on which students you spoke to!) start to the day – or a great final preparation exercise for a 50km run on Sunday if you ask Damon Mealy!

After the walk, we were treated to a hearty breakfast served up by Willow's finest volunteer chefs! Students then moved into their House groups to participate in a range of activities aimed at building team spirit and raising awareness of the importance of being healthy. Finally, to cap off the day, we came together in a whole school assembly where students unveiled their new House chants and the new and significantly improved, House Cup!

As always, days like today don't just magically happen. Many thanks to our students who participated so enthusiastically throughout the day. Thank you also to all the volunteers – particularly with this morning's breakfast. Feeding dozens of hungry children (and adults!) is never an easy task! To our staff, massive thanks for going above and beyond once again to make our school a better school. And whilst it was very much a team effort from staff, every team needs a captain and Mr. Jennings did such an amazing job of leading this team.

Whilst yesterday was a great day for our school, the true impact will be felt well into the future as we see our House colours become embedded in the school's culture. Photos from the event will be presented in next week's newsletter.

Hello and Goodbye

Many of you would have noticed a new face in our office space. Peta Warrior has been successfully appointed our new Business Manager. And with money coming in for hot lunches, House Colours, camps and other excursions, Peta has well and truly been thrown in at the deep end. We welcome Peta to the Willow team and encourage families and friends to pop past the office and say hello.

With Peta arriving, sadly, Jodie is going. Next Tuesday will be Jodie's last day at Willowmavin. Due to Jodie's work arrangements at Coolaroo South, it is looking unlikely that we will be able to bid Jodie farewell at an assembly. As such, we strongly encourage families to pop in to the office next Tuesday to pass on their best wishes to Jodie. As mentioned in previous newsletters, Jodie is a significant loss to our school and Coolaroo South Primary School are very fortunate to attain her services.

Farewell

Many families may have received some sad news from students when they were picked up from school on Tuesday. Jess Gidman, our Auslan extraordinaire, informed students in class on Tuesday that this year will be her last at Willowmavin Primary School.

Jess has been such an asset to Willowmavin Primary School since first commencing in the Auslan role in 2014, and even prior to that as a parent helper. Jess has been offered an extra day at Romsey Primary School next year where, in addition to working in the office, she is supporting the school in offering an Auslan program.

We congratulate Jess on her additional appointment at Romsey and pass on our significant thanks for all that she has done to establish an Auslan program at Willowmavin Primary School that is gradually becoming embedded in the school's culture. Jess will of course be finishing off the year with us and in this time, we encourage families to catch up with Jess and wish her well for 2020 and beyond.

Remembrance Day Assembly this Friday

At this Friday's assembly, Remembrance Day will be a focus. We look forward to respectfully acknowledging this day with our school community.

Signing Off

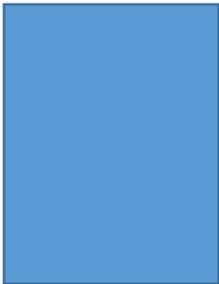
The living owe it to those who no longer can speak to tell their story for them.

Until next time, be the best you can be.

Mr. O'Callaghan



Student of the Week

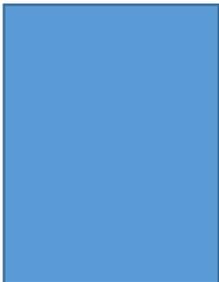


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RUBY ELLIS

SCHOOL VALUE: ACHIEVEMENT

For working hard on her reading.

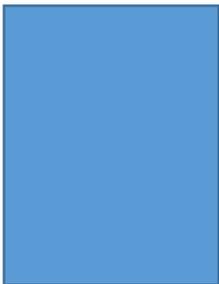


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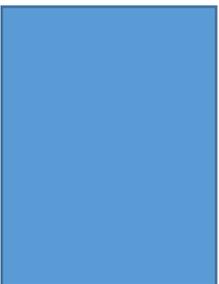


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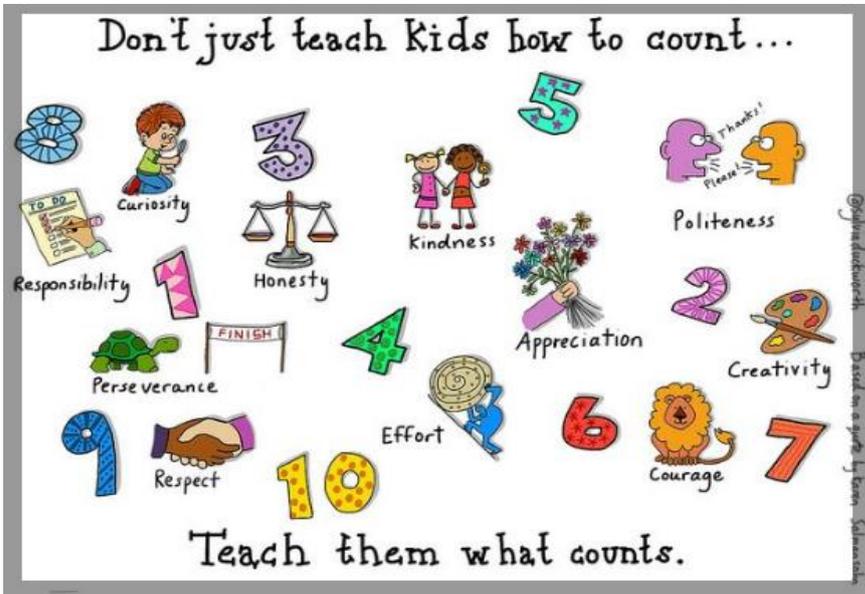


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As important as the academic curriculum is, there is no doubt that this sketch note emphasises the need to teach and reinforce skills which will take our children further in life which will enhance all learning opportunities.

If we can take the opportunity to have a discussion with our children when someone they witness is acting disrespectfully and to take that opportunity to discuss better choices that person could have made to act more respectfully in that situation.

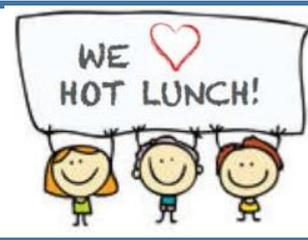
Also, if you see or hear children showing respect for another person, we need to be sure to compliment, encourage and praise them. Our own examples of good behaviour can teach our children to take the high road when other roads look tempting.

Embrace gratitude and keep our hearts open from moment to moment to help ourselves and others be happy travellers upon this earth, from the moment we wake up in the morning until the night stars are upon us, our days are abundant with possibilities when we are kind.

Gill

FACE TEAM

Hot Lunch Dates
 Friday 1st Nov
 Friday 15th Nov
 Friday 29th Nov
 Friday 13th Dec



Afternoon Willowmavin Families.

Hot Lunches

Hot lunches this week yum yum, hopefully everyone has got their orders in. Just a reminder hot lunch dates are as above. Don't forget we can now add iced donuts for \$1.00.

Please remember orders will be due back the Wednesday prior.

Tea Towels

If you haven't already placed your order get in quick - great little memento of 2019, great for stocking fillers or keepsakes to put aside for the kids.

Until next week.

2020 IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER
 TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR DEPOSIT FREE LAYBY &
 AVOID ANY DISAPPOINTMENT IN JANUARY



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The **MORE** that you
READ, the **more things**
you will **KNOW**.
The **MORE** that you
Learn, the **more places**
you'll **GO**.
Dr. Seuss

50 Nights Plus

Sophia Borg
Jack Griffiths

75 Nights Plus

Jake Jackson
Charlotte Jackson
Elias Haber

100 Nights Plus

Noah Griffiths
Tanika Dale
Georgia Brad3ley
Ben Hamilton
Nate Eames

125 Nights Plus

Chloe Jackson
Jack Hamilton
Cooper Wilkinson-Hill
Willow Roberts
Jett Skinner-McLean

150 Nights Plus

Tait Lang
Charlotte Bradley
Dayne Lang
Max Buhagiar
Milla Hiscock
Bailey Morgan
Charlie McCrossan
Ruby Ellis
Logan Ford
Jesse Jervis

175 Nights Plus

Cody Evans
Anneka Thornton
Jeremy Hall-Bowden
Flynn Patton
Beau Jervis

200 Nights Plus

Brodie Ellis
Maddie Nolan
Alex Mason
Willow Poulter
Matthew Mealy
Jai Bamford-Newey

225 Nights Plus

Molly Gill
Blair Newbould
Riley McKenzie
Jemma Kosmer
Tyler Stebbing
Rhys Pate
Olivia Poulter
Jake Bamford-Newey
Charlotte Hiscock

250 Nights Plus

Hannah Pate
Anwyn Lajang
Christopher Milvain

275 Nights Plus

Harrison Mealy
Alexis Carter
Lacey Buhagiar



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What's On...



November

- 11th Remembrance Day
- 26th 2020 Foundation Transition Session 1
- 26th Life Ed
- 27th Life Ed
- 29th F/1 Stay Back and Grade 2 Sleepover



November

- 8th Miss Smith
Mrs Reed
- 15th Jodie
- 23rd Jemma Kosmer
- 24th Beau Jervis

Learning in 2/3



In Writing, we just completed our unit on advertisements. We learnt how we can use positive adjectives to describe a product and how to create slogans to catch a reader's attention. We also wrote a customer comment to add to our advertisements. We then put these together on a poster.



In Maths, we have been learning about Time. First, we made clocks that would help us with our learning. We have learnt to tell time on analogue and digital clocks using o'clock, half-past, quarter-to and quarter-past.

In Inquiry, we have been learning all about Australia. We have learnt about capital cities, states and famous landmarks. We are now exploring natural features in the environment, including rivers, deserts and mountains, and adding these to our maps.

