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WELCOME

PRINCIPAL JO VAN DER PLAS

Term four, you never fail to disappoint, there has been dolphins, lions and tigers and perhaps the odd giraffe. We have gone ice skating, patted snakes and pampered our parents and carers. All of this while still continuing our learning in the classroom with science experiments, hands on maths and great Multi-lit reading. After all that both staff and students are ready for the holidays.

I would like to end the year by saying thank you to our community. Thank you to the parents and carers who have entrusted us with your child for the year. You have let us know what great jobs our staff are doing and they appreciate it.

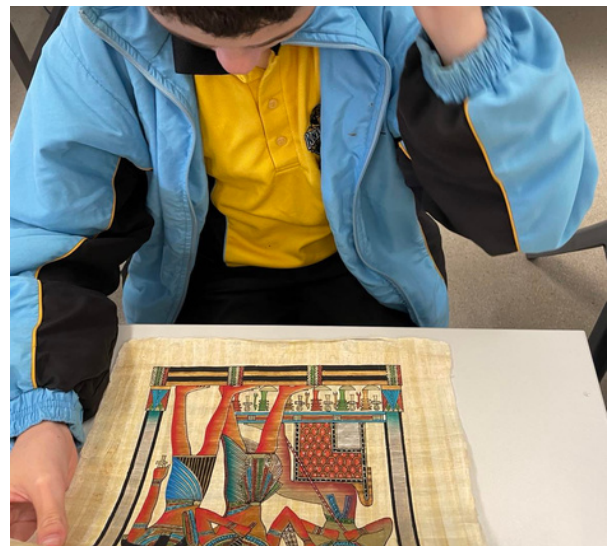
Our staff, an amazing group of individuals, who come together as a community with a common goal of supporting our students, thank you for your commitment, passion and care that you show every day in every classroom to every child.

My last thanks goes to our students, you are AWESOME! You have all worked so hard this year to learn routines, build relationships, grow your skills and push yourselves to try more. Watching the growth in each and every one of you fills me with great pride. I can't wait to see what next year brings!

F1

TEACHER ANGIE DAVIES

This term we have been learning different ways to show assertiveness; this included making some fun videos to share with each other demonstrating how to be assertive. In HASS we explored items from the past. It was interesting trying to interpret Hieroglyphics on Egyptian papyrus and writing on a chalkboard. Maths was made more fun with some hands-on activities to measure capacity and volume as we completed our measurement unit of work. A focus on teambuilding and friendships led to new games like 'The floor is lava' using items on the grass outside, it was great to watch everyone problem solving together.

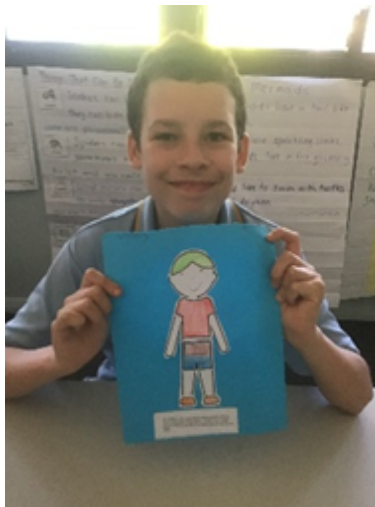


F6

TEACHER VAL WESTERN

This term in F6, we have been super busy! Everyone works hard every day to complete their morning work including Multilit, English and Mathematics activities. Students also enjoy their daily fitness, and it is wonderful to see everyone following P.B.S. expectations when engaging in these activities.

In History, students have been exploring how changing technology impacts people's lives and how technology of the past differs to what is used today. We identified many items we use today that use modern technology and can describe how they are different to some items used in the past. We sorted images of objects into categories of past and present and discussed items of modern technology we use at home. Students also made paper dolls as an example of a toy played with by children in the past. As a class, students discussed the difference between paper dolls and other dolls that children play with today.



G1A

TEACHER

SUE WILSON AND BETH SKIPPINGS

Students across the school have been learning about conservation management during our Cadets program. Across the term, students have been working towards developing their understanding of the different wildlife both on land and in the water. We had the pleasure of attending an excursion and experiencing many areas which the Dolphin Discovery Centre has to offer. Our first programmed activity was the Boats Biology Tour in which the class experienced firsthand some Bottlenose Dolphins feeding, sleeping, and jumping through the water. We were even lucky enough to see a calf learning different skills while being supported by a larger group. Our skipper and tour guide even shared some interesting facts about the dolphins, including but not limited to;

- Dolphins eat fish headfirst.
- Dolphins can turn off half their brain.
- They sleep with one eye open – it is believed this is to keep track of their group and to look out for predators.
- They can hold their breath for up to 15 minutes.

Following this, our group enjoyed visiting the aquatic animals in the “See under the Sea” program. They were able to see different aquatic animals in various habitats. Our students were lucky enough to be able to watch a starfish feeding and carefully stroke them. They observed turtles, sting-rays, sharks, octopus, and various fish moving around tanks throughout the centre. Everyone was super lucky to attend the excursion and enjoyed seeing the animals. Conservation Management is super important for our wildlife.



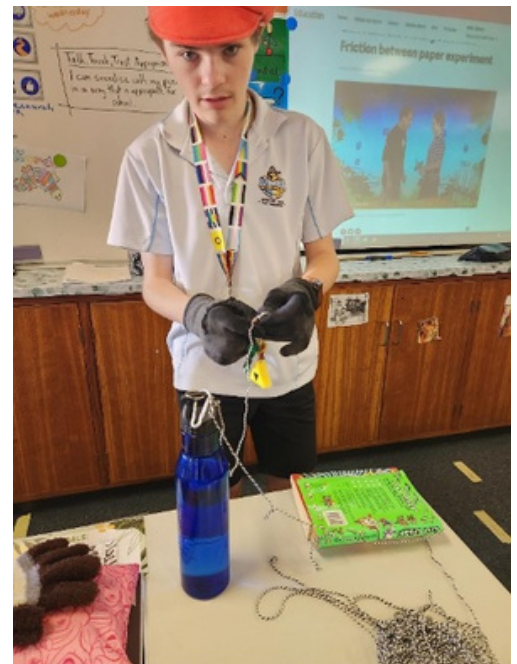
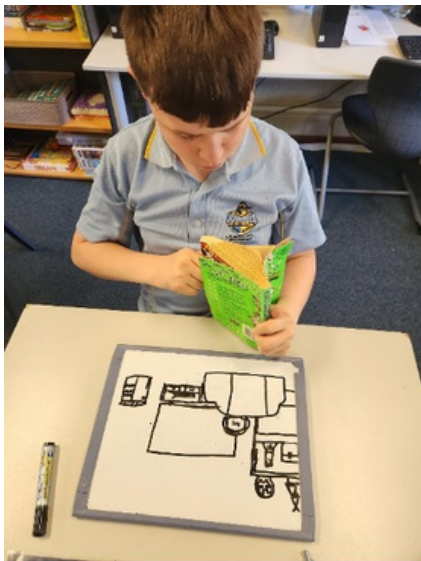


TEACHER MICHELLE OFFER

This term we have been learning about forces. We have participated in a range of experiments that demonstrate how forces can be exerted by one object on another through direct force or from a distance. We have experimented with magnets, paper aeroplanes, sinking ping pong balls, slinkies that defy gravity, underwater (anti) bubbles, balance toys, lava lamps and sticking books together using friction.

In HASS, Students have looked at past and present and how technologies have changed over time and the impact on people's lives. Students have looked at games children have played in the past and discussed how they are different to the games played now. Students have enjoyed playing some old games including marbles, elastics and DS games. They have examined one specific item from the past and identified how that technology has changed over time.

In English we are learning about narratives and have written a story about 3 wishes. We have played lots of oral storytelling games where we practise communication and social skills to write imaginative class stories.



E4

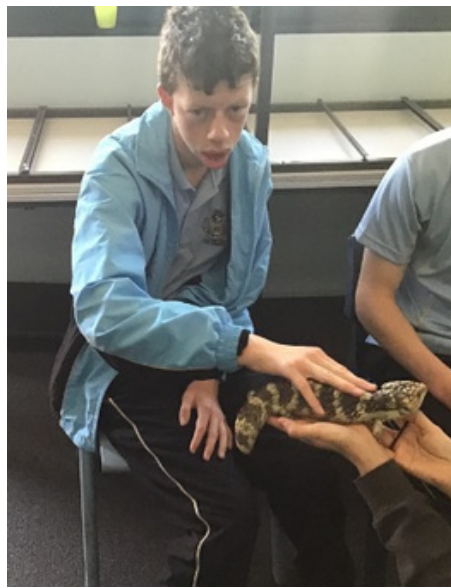
TEACHER JESSICA BRESLIN

Term 4 has been so much fun! With so many special events, we have been having some great learning experiences. In week 1 we had the Discover Deadly incursion where we learnt about some Australian animals and even got to touch some! In week 2, some of us participated in a music workshop with Sacha Seaborn-Carlin. We were really inspired when he performed for us on his guitar. We also had the Parent's and Carer's 'Thank you' afternoon tea in week 2, where some students pampered their parents by serving them snacks, drinks, and treating them to a manicure. Week 4 brought around our favourite excursion of the year, the Dolphin Discovery Centre trip. We loved cruising on the boat, looking for dolphins around the shoreline and seeing an 80-year-old Loggerhead Turtle called Mika, in rehabilitation. We loved walking around the aquarium too and were able to touch some star fish. In week 5 we worked hard at swimming lessons and enjoyed being in the water every day. We're very excited as we still have some great experiences to come this term. We're going to the zoo in week 8 and Bunnings is coming back to make birdhouses with us in week 10!

We've also been doing lots of learning. In English, we have been learning about story writing through our novel study of Roald Dahl's 'The BFG'. We often laugh at the silly made up giant words. In Maths we have been out and about around the school measuring various items with rulers and tape measures. We've had a fantastic time creating circuits in science, especially setting off the motors and noise makers. We've been busy in the kitchen this term as well, cooking beef stroganoff, coconut curried vegetables, mac and cheese, sausage rolls, corn fritters, banana muffins and made traditional lemonade on a hot day.



E4



D10

TEACHER ETHAN ROBINSON

There's been no shortage of celebration in D10 as our Year 12s finish their final few weeks of compulsory education! The students in D10 have worked hard on finishing their subjects this term, and we are proud of their efforts.

During Term 4 the Year 12s went on the Upper School Camp in Perth. Across three days the students had the opportunity to go Ice Skating, see Perth Zoo, and more! It was a fantastic way for our Year 12s to spend time together in their last term at school.

As we head into the last few weeks of the year, our Year 12s have also spent time reflecting on their school life and what they want to accomplish after school as we get closer to the Year 12 Graduation. The D10 staff are very proud of everything our Year 12s have accomplished during their time at NMESC and wish them all the best!



C7 - GROUP 3

TEACHER YVONNE SPEIRS

Group 3 had a relaxing and fun term 4. There were two students in our class turning 17 years old at the beginning of this term, our whole class made a cake for their celebration. Some of our class students went to the upper school camp, they had the best time. We also had a classroom party at the end of the term. We are very looking forward to the new school year in 2024!



MUSIC AND DRAMA



TEACHER VAUGHAN MCDONALD



It's that time of year when we say goodbye to our upperschool students. These pictures are still-shots from footage stitched together by Jayden, of a short skit the year 12's practised up until the end of term three. Sadly, due to absences, we weren't able to get the final polished edition "in the can" so to speak, but thanks to Jayden's skills behind the camera, this version will be shown at their final assembly.



This script was written with the then year 10's in 2020, but the pandemic put an end to that. It was pleasing to see the light of day and the group worked hard to learn their lines.



MUSIC AND DRAMA

TEACHER VAUGHAN MCDONALD



F1 have been playing to popular songs using tapping sticks. They have learned that certain music symbols equals the number of beats played. These photos show the students playing each others rhythm pieces as they rotate around the room.

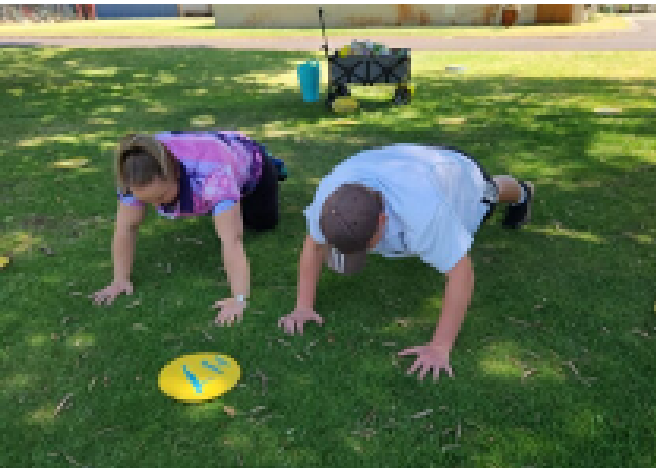


HEALTH AND PE

TEACHER
FIONA NEGUS

What a fun filled time we have had in Physical Education this term. Upper and lower school students were introduced to a team game called “Big Ball Baseball”. This game encouraged students to build on what they learned in term 3, to continue honing their skills to play respectfully together as a team. Students worked together to create class game rules and a cheer squad from the sidelines. Our school spirit sure was in full flight on the oval.

Students also participated in In-Term swimming lessons. Students displayed our school ethos of Respect, Responsibility and Safety while walking to and from the Southwest Sport centre and while participating in their lessons. Outstanding effort to all involved.



Swimming Lessons

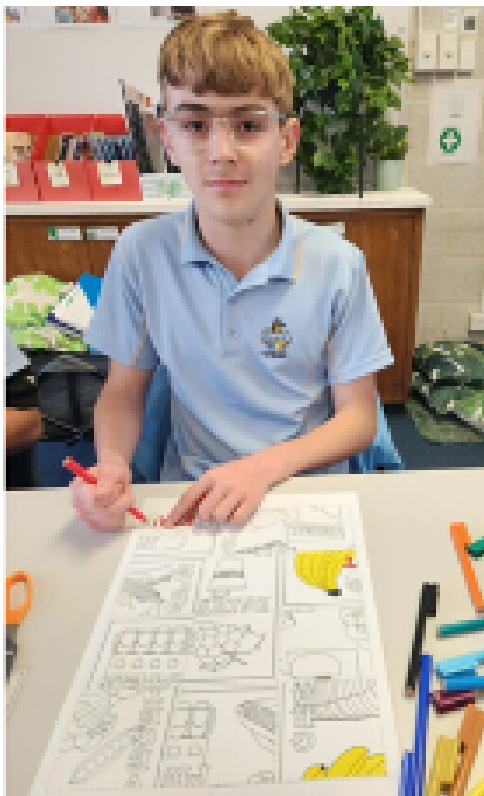
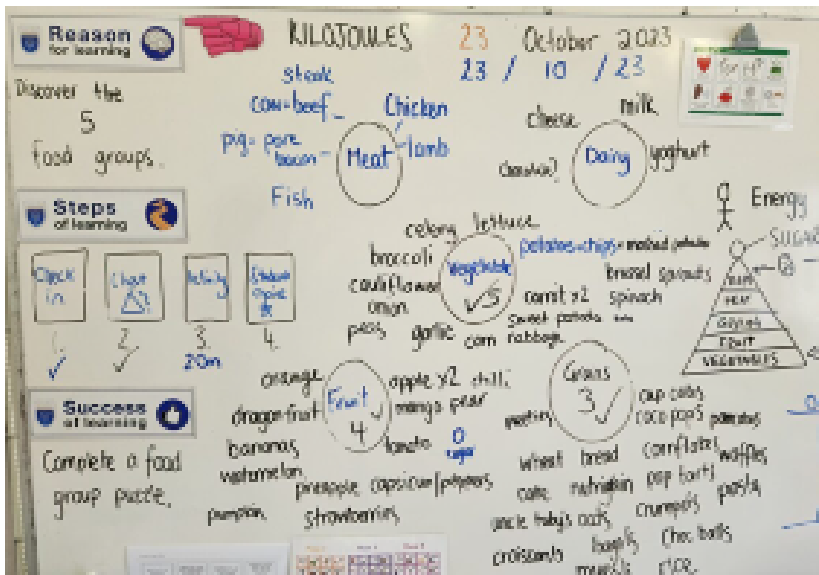
<p>Walk safely with your group to the pool.</p>	<p>Only cross the road when instructed by staff.</p>	<p>Be organised with your swimming equipment.</p>	<p>Show respect to members of the public.</p>
<p>Walk safely around the pool area.</p>	<p>Follow instructions from your swimming teacher in the pool.</p>	<p>Listen for safety whistles.</p>	<p>Give it a go and try your best!</p>
RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	SAFETY	



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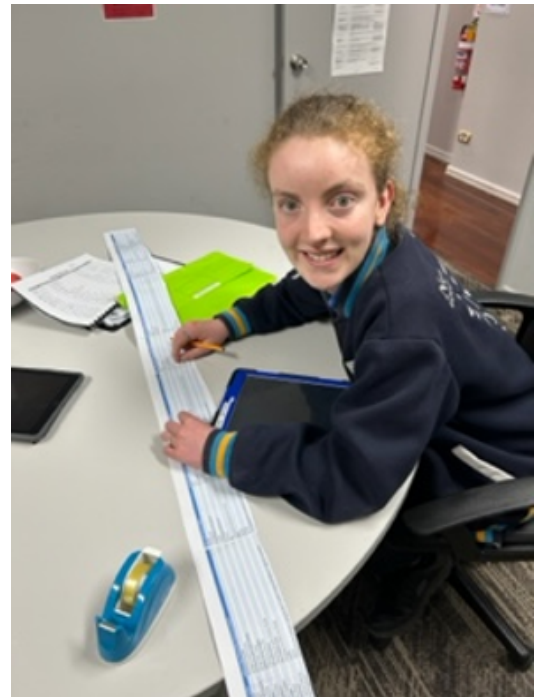
Our focus for Health this term was “Ways to help our body be healthy”. All classes discussed the benefits of sleep, staying hydrated and healthy eating. We delved into the Five Food Groups and through discussion and hands on activities students were able to categorise foods/liquids into one of the five main food groups. We also discussed hidden sugars in foods and especially energy drinks. Students were amazed with the amount of sugar in energy drinks and concluded that these now were a “sometimes” drink. It was wonderful to witness and participate in student lead discussions. Outstanding detective skills on behalf of students in our Health lessons this term.



OFFICE

TRAINER AND ASSESSOR NAOMI NEWTON

This term in the CWC Office we are celebrating the success of our office students. Rachel, Joshua, Jasmine, Isabel, Toby and Declan have shown an outstanding work ethic and have developed great skills for working in an office environment and when completing their ASDAN and VET certificates. The office students have been working hard to create a fantastic yearbook for the year 12 graduating class and have been using a variety of computer programs to source, input and format information. The students have been reflecting on their skills while updating their resumes and have been practicing filling in forms and paperwork that they may encounter when they leave school.



WORKCREW

TRAINER AND ASSESSOR
ANDREW HOWES

Well, it's almost the end of another school year and this last Semester has gone so quick. It has been a very productive year with all students completing their ASDAN Horticulture certificates as well as learning how to deliver an exceptional service to our many clients. The year 12 students have gained valuable skills, knowledge and confidence which will equip them going forward into the workplace after school. I would like to say a big thank you to all our clients who have supported out Work Crew program over the past year.

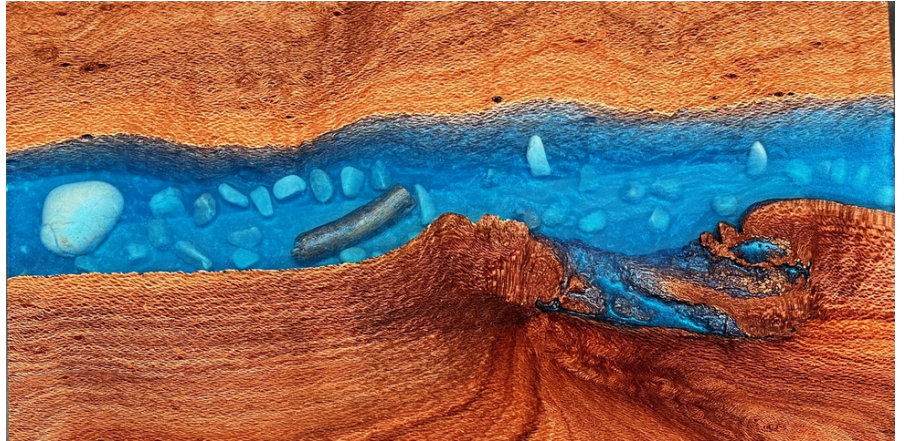


WORKSHOP

TEACHER

DARYL MCIVER

Congratualtions to Alex, Jacob and Barry on achieving your Certificate 1 in Manufacturing. All students worked very hard in the workshop to complete wood projects ranging from a small folding chair, cutting boards and wood kitchen utensils through to resin featured art pieces and carvings.



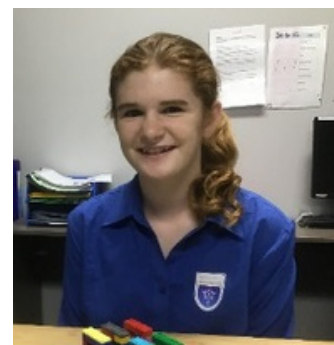
ITEM

TRAINER AND ASSESSOR CHERYL-ANNE WALKER

At the start of the term we held our open evening. The students and staff worked extremely hard preparing and manufacturing products to fill the shelves. With so many amazing and fascinating things on sale, the store appeared even more lovely and welcoming than it usually does. Thank you to those who came along to support us.



This term we say farewell and good luck to our year 12 students. We have enjoyed spending time with them manufacturing and working towards their Certificate 1 in Retail or ASDAN. All students have developed additional skills in areas such as communication, retail focused customer service, workplace technology, prioritising workloads, health and safety and manufacturing for the shop. They have worked extremely hard over the past two years and their persistence and dedication has paid off with all students successfully completing their chosen certificates.



We wish you all the best in the future and hope to maybe one day see you applying your retail talents and skills working at one of our local shops.

WORKPLACE LEARNING

JESSICA RENNICK

During 2023 our Year 12's have worked extremely hard, gaining valuable experience at a range of supportive, local businesses.

Students had the opportunity to explore career pathways that may interest them as they leave school. They have gained skills in areas like personal growth, increased maturity, independence and confidence.

Newton Moore Education Support Centre would like to thank the following local host employers for having our students attend one day, each week for two school terms.

Big W – Bunbury Forum

Bunnings – Treendale

BVA Metal Fabrication

City Auto Gas

Coles Centrepoint

Coles Parks Centre

College Row School

Good Sammies

GT Fabrication

Jackson Drawing Supplies

Leschenault Community Nursery

Nola Marino

Piacentini & Son

Proudly Productive

P&D Auto's

Rebel Sport Bunbury

Red Dot – Dalyellup

Salvo's – Treendale

Vinnies – Depot Store

Vinnies – Treendale

Thommos Community Garden



Our fantastic Supervising Education Assistants have provided valuable support to each student, enabling them to attend and have these experiences. Our school community of parents and carers have rearranged their schedules and taken students each week to the workplace. We could not run this program without the support from each and every one of you.



TRANSITION

JESSICA RENNICK

It has been a pleasure to support students to access local disability providers. Students have attended social and community access opportunities, enabling them to reach their personal goals. Students have enjoyed and engaged in social events, providing the opportunity to grow new and old friendships. Some of our ex-students that have finished their formal education have been engaging in these services also – what a treat it is to see them pop up in photos, enjoying seeing their old school friends!

Students have had excursions to visit local supported employment providers to learn about what options are available to them post school – where will they work or volunteer moving forward – exciting opportunities await them. We look forward to seeing them out in our local businesses, working hard.

Students have gained access to transport training, learnt about what support networks are available to them via Services Australia, NDIA and been supported to ensure they have the correct supports in place. Conversations around where will they live, what do they want their life to look like, budgets, cost of living – all very adult topics, have been had and we have enjoyed seeing our students take responsibility for their life choices moving forward – into adulthood.

Thank you, Year 12 students for entrusting us to support you as you transitioned into upper school and out of your formal education. Each and every single one of you have made us better people and we can not wait to see what you do with the rest of your life! It has been our privilege to be part of your high school education.
Go be amazing!

“YOUR EDUCATION IS A DRESS REHEARSAL
FOR A LIFE THAT IS YOURS TO LEAD”
NORA EPHRON

“YOU CAN . END OF STORY”
CORY LEWIS

ART

DENISE LADHAMS

At the end of last term, students finished creating their sugar skulls for Halloween, these are now hanging in the art room as a very spooky Halloween decoration. We also finished off working on our creatures, monsters by painting them and spraying them with gloss.

This term in Art: we have been studying coral, it's shapes and colours. Students worked on making a 'rock' out of screwed up newspaper, layering the 'rock' with a slab of clay. They then worked on creating pieces of coral of all different shapes and added it onto this slab, the slab becoming the sand and rocks. Once the air-drying clay had hardened, students got to paint their coral and spray with varnish. Our underwater coral reef looks wonderful.

And of course, now is the time for the Christmas Colouring in competition! Students have been working hard to hopefully be the winner for their year and the staff are getting very competitive with their designs too. Keep the amazing colourings and designs coming, judging in week 9. There will also be lots of Christmas art, colouring, creations and cards making their way home over the coming weeks. We hope you enjoy!



STUDENT WELL BEING

MISS VANESSA, MR CRAIG, MISS DENISE AND MISS LISA.

2023 has been a busy and fun year in Student Wellbeing. Break times are always busy in our building, with a game or two of Uno happening, lego competitions taking place and students playing sports games on the Wii.

This year one of our focus' has been on increasing attendance. To encourage the students to attend school every day, when they are well, we have included a weekly award for a student who has had 100% attendance for the previous 5 days. During assembly we will put the names of all the students who have achieved the 100% attendance up for all to celebrate. The students have enjoyed looking for their names, knowing that they have gone into the draw for that week.

Each term students who have achieved above 80% attendance, and had no major behaviour referrals have received a Shining Knight award. Student's who have received 4 Shining Knight awards will be invited to our Diamond Knight excursion which will take place during week 7. I am really looking forward to celebrating the achievements of those students and their outstanding attendance and behaviours.

Another focus in 2023 has been supporting our student and staff wellbeing. One way we have achieved this is by providing a space for our students to come and sit when they are feeling dysregulated. When students attend Student Wellbeing for a 'calm break' they are able to access many supports. These include a Cloud Sac bag, a weighted blanket, light show on the ceiling, mentos to chew, quiet music, a drink or something to eat and fidget toys.

When students arrive to have a calm break, they are asked to set a timer for 10 minutes and then are able to choose the activities that will help them re-regulate. Once the timer goes off the students return to class and re-engages in learning. As students have become more familiar with our processes we have witnessed this program become very successful for students and being accessed by some students, as required, through out the day.

Breakfast Club has continued to be a hit in 2023. Supported by the amazing SSO and Chaplain team of Craig McFeeters, Denise Ladhams, Benn Gladden, Lisa Townsend and Kodie Scibilia. Ham and cheese still seem to be the favourite toasties for most but with some now preferring Vegemite and cheese. A big thank you also needs to go out to one of our year 12 students Ethan B along with Christina Whild for doing our weekly shop at Woolworths, who generously donate to our program by supplying cheese, butter and sliced meats for the week. This year we have also received bread from Coles, a big thank you to Dianne Purdue for helping us with this donation.

Looking towards 2024, I am excited to see what we achieve in Student Wellbeing for our students.

I hope all the students and their families have a wonderful Christmas break and I look forward to seeing you next year

Ms Vanessa