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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 5 August

Cricket Tasmania Community Blitz
for ECE classes from 11.45 am -
12.30 pm

Tuesday 6 August

School Association Meeting at
6.30 pm

Wednesday 7 August

NO ASSEMBLY

The NED Show in GP Room for
whole school from 2.00 - 2.45 pm

Thursday 8 August

SCHOOL BANKING

Grade 5/6 students to Gymnastics at
Kingborough Gymnastic Centre

Friday 9 August

Grade 6 Southern Band Tour

TERM DATES

TERM 3

Tuesday 23 July (**Monday 22 July is a
Student Free Day**) to 27 September

TERM 4

Monday 14 October to Thursday
19 December (Friday 25 October is a
Student Free Day)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Our students have hit the ground running this term.

We have many diverse learning experiences such as Mathematics Competitions, Tournament of Minds, Kinder - Grade 2 Water Awareness, Mediators, Band, Choir and much more to challenge and expand our learning opportunities for our students. We also have a very focused school wide priority of improving our writing.

Teachers have embedded a Common Instructional Model (learning routine) for writing across all Prep to Grade 6 classrooms. Within this model a clear writing focus is established for the students along with well understood expectations of our authors. We will develop the understanding that writing is a powerful critical thinking secret. When we write we use critical thinking skills such as questioning, interpreting, reasoning, analysing, predicting and evaluating to name a few.

As our writing inquiry unfolds we will support our students to share and deconstruct texts, explicitly identify audience and purpose and identify different aspects and features of each text type.



PRE-KINDER SESSIONS

Yesterday we held our first Pre-Kinder session for the year. It was magical to visit the Pre-Kinder space and see so many faces exploring, interacting, communicating and wondering. These sessions are purposefully planned to enable our future Kindergarten students to meet each other, ask questions, experiment, familiarise and most importantly have fun.

These sessions will be held every Thursday afternoon between 1.40 and 2.40 pm. We look forward to meeting our future problem solvers, Scientists, Mathematicians, Artists and Designers. If you require any additional information regarding our Pre-Kinder sessions please enquire at the office.

Kelly Dyer
PRINCIPAL



SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the School Association will be Tuesday 6 August at 6.30 pm.

Email: kingstonpsassociation@gmail.com

REMINDER

- Just a reminder to parents/carers at pick up time to observe the **NO STANDING** signs on Sherburd Street. Restrictions are operational between 2:30 pm and 3:30 pm school days. Kingborough Council periodically patrols the area and fines may apply.
- Parking on the kerbside is strictly not allowed.
- Elderly wheelchair bound residents are unable to access the footpath when cars are illegally parked.
- Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Our opening hours are:

Wednesday afternoons 2:45 pm - 3:10 pm
and
Friday mornings 8:35 am - 9:00 am.

We are still experiencing issues taking card payments. Payments will need to be by cash or cheque until this is resolved. Term 3 has seen a surge in sales of schoolbags and these are now out of stock and new stock not due until the end of Term 4. Due to the hardwearing nature of these bags, we have plenty of second hand ones available.

Jodi Enright - Uniform Co-ordinator

LAVA LAMPS

On Wednesday 31 July, Mrs Aitken's Grade 5/6 made their own Lava Lamps. We used oil, water, food colouring, a jar and some Alka-Seltzer tablets. We did this experiment to further understand density.

We found that the oil and water separated in the jar and the water went to the bottom of the jar. The oil was above the water because it was less dense and therefore the water had more mass.

We waited for half an hour and then dripped in the food colouring which sank to the bottom of the jar with the water because it was water based and had the same density. After that, we broke up an Alka-Seltzer tablet and dropped the tablet in piece by piece. We then quickly screwed the lid on the jar so that the gases were trapped and unable to get out. The mixture bubbled and swirled around in the jar. The Alka-Seltzer tablet produced carbon dioxide or CO₂.

We watched in amazement as the fluid bubbled and swirled uncontrollably in the jar.

Dillon S
Grade 5/6 Aitken



KEYS TO SUCCESS

The following students received Certificates at this week's ECE Assembly.



Confidence

Labeeqa Mehmood
Pippa Riley
Dean Warn
Pippa Wiggins
Ashar Smith
Jack Badcock
Ruby Harrison



Persistence

Jensen Holloway
Nellie Riley
Ricky Mayne



Organisation

Billie Gilmore-Forrester
Naairah Ahmed



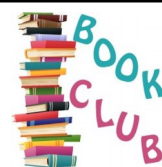
Getting Along

Stella Anderson
Aiden Hu
Oliver Sice
William Caught



Resilience

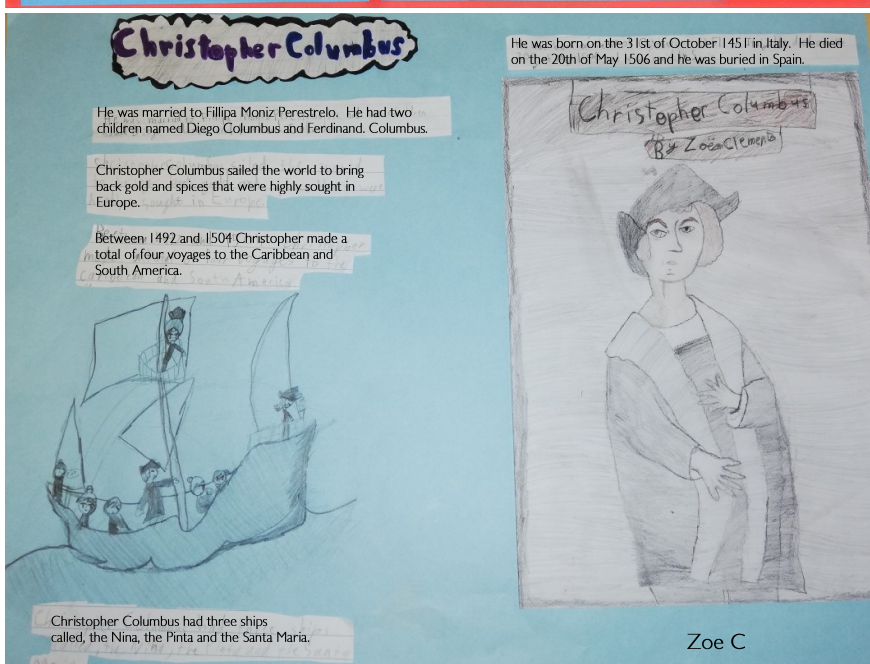
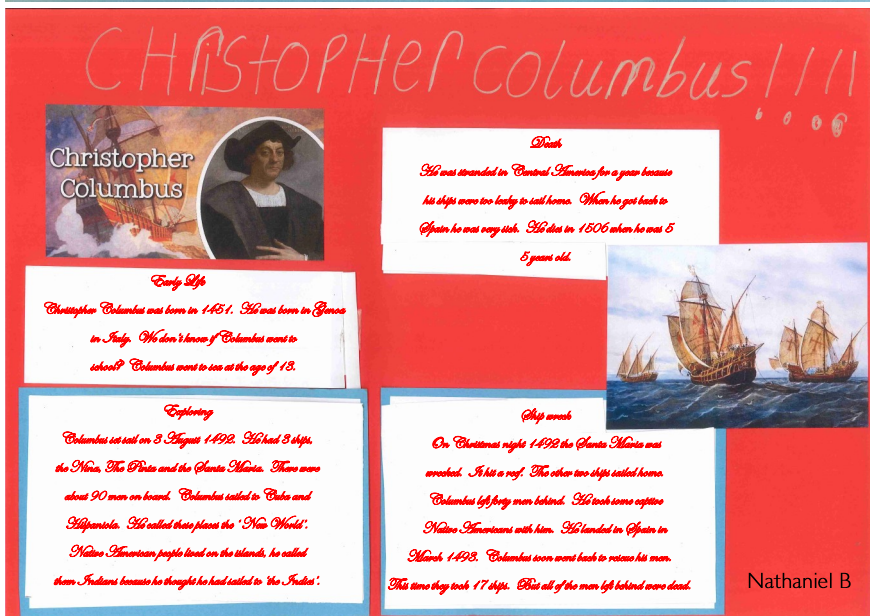
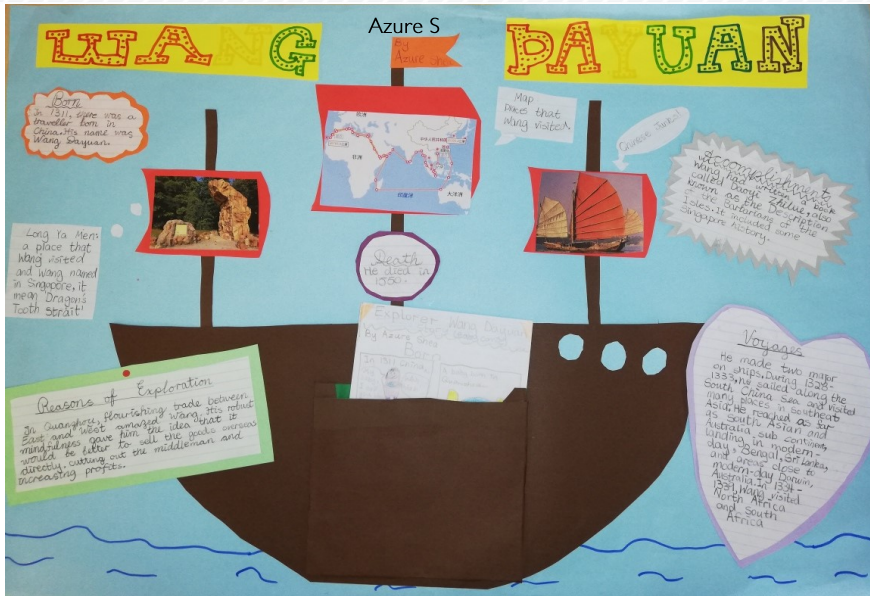
Sabrina Simmons



Issue 5 catalogues are available now.

Orders close
Wednesday 7 August.

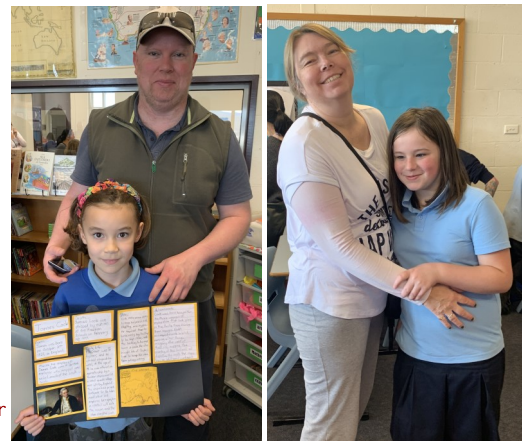
Natalie Williams
Book Club
Co-ordinator



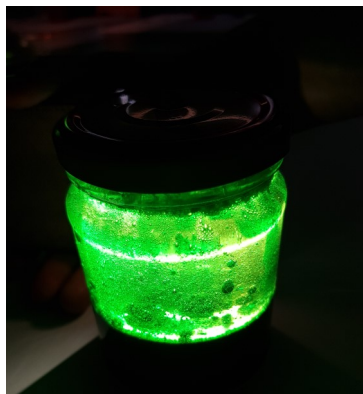
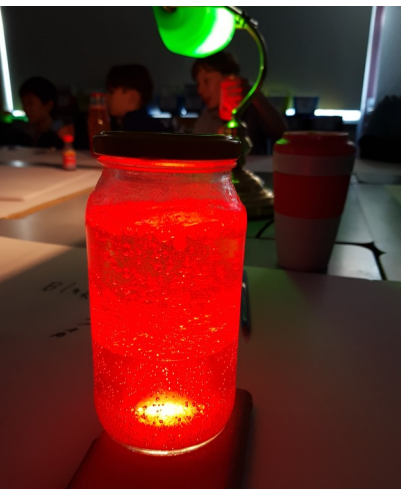
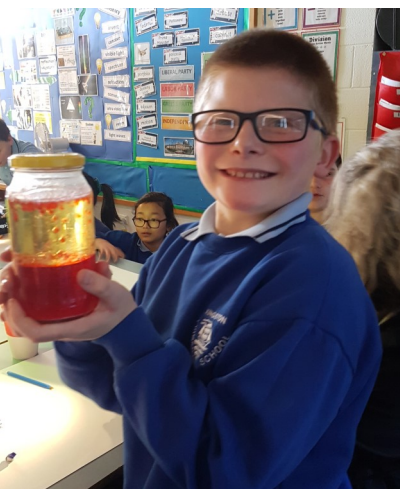
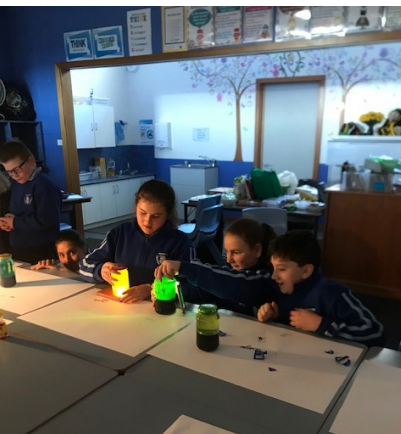
Over the last 4 to 6 weeks all the 3/4 classes have been focusing on Explorers as part of our HASS Unit.

MRS ABET'S/MR DURNO'S GRADE 3/4

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On Wednesday 31 July we had an 'open and sharing afternoon' in our classroom for our parents and family members to view the students research of their choice.



PHOTOS OF LAVA LAMPS
MADE IN MRS AITKEN'S
GRADE 5/6

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 14 August
PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

Thursday 15 August
Grade 5/6 students to Gymnastics at Kingborough
Gymnastic Centre

Monday 19 August
Mrs Steele's Preps on excursion to Elizabeth
College for Science Week activities

Wednesday 21 August
BOOK WEEK PARADE - 9.15 am
Grade 5 Southern Band Workshop at
C3 Convention Centre
NO ASSEMBLY

Thursday 22 August
Grade 5 Southern Band Workshop at
C3 Convention Centre
Mrs Hughes' and Mrs Steele's Preps on excursion to
Marine Discovery Centre

Friday 23 August
FOOTY COLOURS DAY and CANTEEN
SPECIALS DAY

Monday 26 August
Ms Millington's Grade 1/2 and Mrs Grey's Grade 1/2
on excursion to Sustainability Centre, Mt Nelson

Tuesday 27 August
Huon & Channel Schools Sports Winter Carnivals

Wednesday 28 August
WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY/SOCIAL SKILLS

Tuesday 3 September
Huon and Channel SSA Volleyball Carnival

Wednesday 18 September
ECE Athletic Carnival

Monday 23 September - Friday 27 September
ECE Aquatic Program



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