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Week 4 - Term 3

Dear Families,

Year 1 - Room 4

Literacy

In Literacy this term we are learning about narratives from the text Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox. So far, we have read the book and learnt the purpose of a narrative for entertainment, to teach you something and make you feel something. As the term goes on we will continue to use this text to learn about a narrative structure. In HASS we are learning about History and we illustrated and described ourselves in the past, present and future.

Maths

Our class has started to learn about making equal groups and fractions. We are learning that one-half is two equal parts of a whole. Recently we made pizzas and filled them our favourite toppings then cut them in half to make two equal pieces.

Science

This week is National Science Week and the theme is Glass: More than meets the eye. Our class has been learning about glass and on Wednesday we had the Science for Real incursion where we learnt about different minerals. We recently looked at the stained glass artworks by Leonard French and have begun making our own artworks inspired by his. Keep an eye on our class windows to see our final products soon.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 2023 Reception Enrolment Interviews start in Week 4
- Book Week Parade – Friday 26th August @ 9:15am
- Pupil Free Day – Friday 2nd September
- School Closure Day – Monday 5th September
- Sports Day – Friday 30th September
- Last day of Term 3 - Friday 30th September



2023 Reception Enrolment Interviews

Just a reminder that our 2023 new enrolment interviews have started this week and that we have already had many important conversations with our new and existing HVPS community members. It has been a really good time to make connections with our new receptions for next year and find out about their interests, things they enjoy doing with their families/carers and how they are developing as early learners.

Science Week 2022

The school theme for National Science Week in 2022 is *Glass: More than meets the eye*. It is based on the UN International Year of Glass. It will celebrate the many roles that glass plays in our lives – from phone screens to optical fibre to glassware in labs – plus investigating glass as a part of our sustainable future. The uses for and intrinsic nature of glass in science make it a suitable topic for investigation across all strands of science education.



This week students have attended our Science for Real incursion. Everyone has participated in various activities based around the Science Week theme. This included lessons on the various types of rocks and minerals, plus the uses of metals and alloys.

Andrew Joyner Incursion

On Thursday, our students were treated to an incursion by Andrew Joyner who offered his insights as an author and led several activities on illustrating books. Andrew Joyner is an Australian illustrator and author of children's books. Some of his titles include *Too Many Elephants in this House*, written by Ursula Dubosarsky, and *The Swap* by Jan Ormerod. He has also written and illustrated the Boris chapter book series, about a winsome and adventurous warthog. His books are published in more than twenty-five countries.



ANDREW JOYNER



Father's Day Stall

Our Fundraising Committee will be holding our annual Father's Day stall on Wednesday 31st August. Items can be purchased through our QKR app as usual, starting from Monday 22nd August.

Kind regards,

Paul, Jackie and Katharine

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Father's Day is just around the corner and we will be holding a Father's Day stall on Wednesday 31st August, with lots of great gifts for the children to choose from.

Please pre pay for your child/ren's gift on QKR before 4pm Tuesday 30th August.

All gifts are \$5

Children will be taken to the stall during school hours with their class teacher (please send a msg for safe storage).

