

Our Week in Year One Welcome to Week 4 Term Four 2017



Spelling words week 4 *ran, too, came, boy them* MERIT AWARDS PHOTOS

COMING EVENTS:

Each child is to bring a photo of their favourite memory (that you have available) We are reading as a class, Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge. Wilfrid sets out to discover what a memory is.



Making Christmas Wreaths.

We have begun this activity! Lots of enjoyment!

If you haven't already sent the required materials, you will need to supply 2 meters of Christmas Fabric. A stiff or net fabric works best. You will also need to supply a roll of Christmas ribbon. The purpose for this activity, is not only to create a very attractive decoration for your home, but to learn how to tie knots!

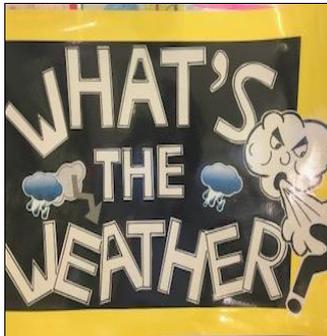
HELP WANTED: we are ready to start the preparation for this activity and we seek some volunteers to cut the material into the strips. We supply all equipment, we will use a fabric cutter to make the job easier.

Edu-Dance: continues Tuesdays. More details about end-of-year concert later.

Christmas Concert and Edu Dance. The Year Ones will sing 'Mary's Boy Child'

Excursion this Term will be to Peninsula Farm to experience an olden days Australian Christmas. More details later but the date is Thursday 23 November. I will send out permission slips this week.

Research Presentation; Due to Christmas activities, we will now finish our research presentations. Thank you for supporting the children in this activity.



Geography- What is Weather?

We conclude our investigation of local weather and next week look at weather in a different location and how it influences different cultural groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Peoples.

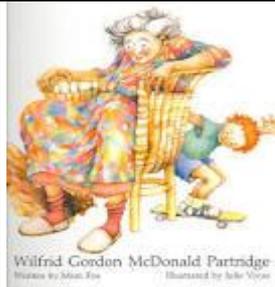


Ruby is

STEAM AND CODING. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics.)

Coding; After reading the 'Hello Ruby' story, children worked in collaborative groups to create a basic grid to programme the BeeBots to take Ruby back home after her adventures. The children used such skills as estimation, problem solving and trial and error to achieve success. Well done Year Ones! safely home!

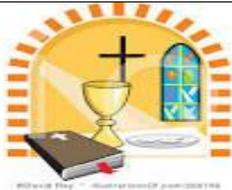




Literature/ English.

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge lives next door to a nursing home. When he finds out that his special friend, Nancy Alison Delacourt Cooper is losing her memory he sets out to find what a memory is.

We will create a photo frame using STEAM trolley equipment to create picture of a memory
I will ask the children to bring a photo of a favourite memory to go in the frame.



Religion; This term we will look at the units 'Lots of Learning- Bible' and 'Prepare-Advent Christmas.

We begin with a discussion of things we wonder about. We ask, "Is God Curious?" "Does God have trouble remembering?" should lead to some interesting responses. We relate to our efforts in learning.

We also begin our practice for the Christmas Concert 'Mary's Boy Child.

Spelling; spelling words ran too came boy them

Currently, I am checking each student's knowledge of digraphs and I will be able to pinpoint those which they do not yet know. Having a good knowledge of the digraph sounds really helps in reading fluently.

SPELLING TEST THURSDAY 9 November. New words will be given out.

Reading. We are currently reviewing our strategies for decoding and hearing each student read individually. The children are making good progress!



Two hints;

1. Encourage all reading. Comic books and magazines can provide a good reading experience.
2. Keep a dictionary or google app handy to encourage correct spelling. It is good for the children to see you checking for correct spelling of an unknown word.

Mathematics Our focus for this final term will be Problem Solving and Thinking Mathematically.



Our focus this week is work on Estimating.

Learning Sprint Year One Estimating in measuring and number. In the Western Australian Curriculum, students develop capability in critical and creative thinking as they learn to generate and evaluate knowledge, clarify concepts and ideas, seek possibilities, consider alternatives and solve problems. Estimating is an important part of this. Firstly, we will do some estimating Games and Movement activities. The children will be invited to estimate amounts in a few games and movement activities. We will then move on to more specific activities where the children will estimate a number to fill a space.



Health and Highway Heroes. This week, we talk about GRIT. We discover our CPR tank. Confidence, Persistence, Resilience. We have been enjoying many 'play' games for developing understanding and resilience when things go wrong. What we have learnt so far; it works better when we listen to each other. It works better when we focus on the task. Using these strategies, we avoid bumps becoming hazards!

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