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**14/15 17 September 2015**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Thurs 17 Sept	Learning Expo
Fri 18 Sept	Golden Letter and Kaleen Spirit Junior Assembly
Thurs 24 Sept	Kaleen's Got Talent Grand Final, 1:30pm
Fri 25 Sept	Golden Letter and Kaleen Spirit Senior Assembly Last day of Term 3

**KEY DATES FOR TERM 4 AND BEYOND**

Mon 12 October	First day of Term 4
Thurs 22 Oct	KPS Japanese Day
Thurs 5 Nov	Arts Festival
Sat 7 Nov	ACT Japanese Speech Contest
10-12 Feb 2016	Year 5 Camp
19 March 2016	Kaleen Primary School Fete

Dear Parents and Caregivers

As we conclude this term, I would like to extend my thanks to the outstanding team and community at Kaleen Primary. Throughout Term 3 we have celebrated our students' achievements and opened the doors to our school with Book Week and Character Parade, Grand Friends' Day and Learning Expos to name a few. It has been pleasing to see the strong sense of shared pride across our school. Kaleen staff work extremely hard to provide our students with extension, enrichment and leadership opportunities with Kaleen Primary students showcased:

- Student Representative Council (SRC) has been very active and recently was successful with their fundraising.
- Green Team has been working to keep our school clean, has been involved with Gnome painting supporting Floriade.

- Our athletes competed in local, regional and national Cross Country and Athletics events. Congratulations to Fiti, Ethan, Eireann, Piper and Ricky who competed in the ACT Primary School Athletics this week.
- In performing arts we have been inspired by our amazing students involved in Every Chance to Dance, Senior Concert Choir, Year 3 and 4 Recorder Groups and Year 5 and 6 Bands.
- Our girls and boys basketball and touch teams gave it their all.
- Our chess teams again performed strongly and enjoy their Tuesday lunchtime sessions.
- ICAS provide excellent enrichment opportunities for students to test themselves in a variety of disciplines across ICT, science, numeracy and literacy.
- And finally our terrific Year 6 team facilitating Kaleen's Got Talent. What a fantastic way to showcase the hidden talents of our students. I congratulate all participants for having a go. We look forward to the finals next Friday.

The behaviour of our students at all these events has been outstanding and reflects your children's commitment to our shared school values. Congratulations to all students involved and thanks to the parents and staff who made it all possible.

## **Parent Satisfaction Surveys**

We reached 402 responses to our survey! Thank you so much for your tremendous response to our parent satisfaction surveys. This information will assist our school board and staff to design and continue to improve services and programs offered by our school.

## **Parent Forum (Wednesday 28 October 6pm-8pm - Week 3)**

I am seeking expressions of interest for a parent from each class to attend a forum on Wednesday 28 October from 6pm-8pm. The purpose of the forum is to continue our commitment to school improvement and build on already strong foundations. The forum is an opportunity for parents to reflect on the impact of last year's forum and parent survey, share positive and constructive ideas and feedback to support the continuing improvement of our school.

We are seeking parents who can represent the broader views of parents across your child's class and are committed to supporting our schools' continuous improvement.

If you are interested please email your name, contact details and child's year level to [admin@kaleenps.act.edu.au](mailto:admin@kaleenps.act.edu.au) by no later than Wednesday 21 October (Week 2 Term 4). If parent nominations exceed spaces the school will contact those involved and negotiate to achieve a class representative. Parent representatives will be joined by our School Board members.

## **Memorial Fund Raising**

Shortly each family will receive a book of raffle tickets (5 tickets @\$2 each). The purpose is to raise funding for a memorial to remember Acacia. Families may choose to either make a donation (or return the tickets) or purchase tickets. There is no obligation to purchase tickets or donate. The money raised will be managed by the Parents and Citizen's Committee and collected through the front office. This approach has been developed in

consultation with Acacia's parents. Thank you to Mel Kingston who has solicited a range of donations and created three prize packages - two containing goods and vouchers to the value of approximately \$400-\$500 each package and a Pizza Oven valued at over \$2,000. The first two tickets drawn will have choice of prizes in descending order.

## **Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) - Differentiated Groupings**

Last year, the program was changed to introduce an annual application process for parents who wished their students be considered for the ALP program. This year a similar process will be used for students in Years 2-6 (2016). Students in Kindergarten moving to Year 1 in 2016 will be transitioned into three mixed ability classes. Every student in Kindergarten will be assessed using a standardised test format. Depending on the outcomes of this process, students will then be grouped across the cohort based on their need in core curriculum areas of Maths, English and Science. It is intended that these groupings will change throughout the year depending on student need.

Kaleen Primary is committed to developing the intellectual, social and emotional needs of all students. Kaleen Primary caters for the diverse learning needs of students through grouping and differentiation. What this means is that the ALP is an important part of Kaleen Primary academic offerings and will continue to be strengthened into the future. It will mean that dedicated ALP classes in each year level, while existing in Years 2-6 during 2016, will change in 2017.

Students will have increased opportunities to work with their peers and other teachers in their year level depending on their learning needs. In this way, grouping enables staff to scaffold learning to support and extend student learning based on their developmental needs across the Australian Curriculum. Staff will continue to assess a range of factors (intellectual, social and emotional) in the formation of student grouping in the best interests of their learning and development.

## ACT Public Education Excellence Awards

In August, Kaleen Primary was represented by five of our school's outstanding educators at the ACT Public Education Excellence Awards. At Kaleen Primary we have exceptional educators. These awards recognise staff contribution to public education as highly regarded and effective educators. Our nominees were Danielle O'Connor and Kelly Turner – Primary Teachers of the Year, Sharee Harrild Early Childhood Teacher of the Year and Luke Vearing and Jen Swift as New Educators of the Year. Although our nominees were not successful overall in their respective categories it is a great opportunity to recognise their commitment to their students and high standard of learning and teaching practice. Please join me in congratulating our nominated teachers on their recognition and achievements.



**Father's Day stall:** A special thank you to Demelza Crook and her outstanding team of helpers who conducted our Father's Day stall on Friday 4 September. Students were given the opportunity during the day to buy a gift for Dad. The stall raised over \$1000 which will be used towards purchasing school resources. I would like to thank our helpers, Sharon Pike, Keren Wellsmore, Sarah Belling, Katrina Freudigman, Roz Glew, Nicole Cortese, Sophie Peterson, Cathy Marker, Ros Duffy, Megan Finkle and Alison Barker.

## September- October School Break

On behalf of all Kaleen Primary staff, please enjoy a safe and relaxing break with family and friends. We look forward to your return on Monday 12 October for our continuing learning journey.

*Laurie*

Laurie Campbell – Principal

## Learning Expo 2015 – An Exhibition of Learning

This afternoon, from 3.15pm to 5.15pm, is our Kaleen Primary Exhibition of Learning afternoon. By now you would have received your invitation to this very special event where our students proudly showcase and celebrate their personal growth and achievement in all curriculum areas. Our Learning Expo is also a valuable part of the assessment and reporting process where students are able to highlight their successes throughout the year. We look forward to seeing families and friends engaging in Kaleen Primary's 2015 Exhibition of Student Learning.

Jo Keens – Executive Teacher

## PRESCHOOL DISCO



A great time was had by all at the Preschool Disco last Friday night. Thanks for coming along and joining in the fun.

## ACTION BUS TIMETABLE CHANGES

On Monday 12 October, ACTION's weekday bus timetable will change. Students using regular route services may be affected. Plan ahead. Check your service and connection times now at [action.act.gov.au](http://action.act.gov.au). For service information or assistance please call 13 17 10.

## FLORIADE GNOMES ARE BACK!



Remembrance inspired gnomes by our KPS Green Team

The members of the Green Team have worked hard over several weeks of lunchtime sessions to create a collection of remembrance inspired gnomes. With this year's Floriade theme being 'Reflection' (on the 100th anniversary of Australia's involvement in the Gallipoli campaign) Green Team members carefully considered which plant and animal species they could apply to their gnomes to signify war, peace and remembrance. Rosemary, crosses, poppies and the number '100' were incorporated as a result.

The Floriade gnomes are an annual project coordinated by the Canberra East Rotary Club. The money raised through the purchase of the gnomes enable this Rotary Club to carry out many of its important projects for the Canberra community including providing swags for the homeless and supporting the Pegasus Riding for the Disabled initiative. We hope you have an opportunity to see the gnomes as a collection at this year's Floriade until October 11. Well done to all students involved, you should be so very proud of your efforts!

Mrs Lowther and Mrs Chiles – Green Team Coordinators

## BASKETBALL: SUE GEH AND JAMIE PEARLMAN CUPS



Year 3 and 4 basketball teams

Congratulations to the Year 3 and 4 students who represented Kaleen Primary at the recent Sue Geh and Jamie Pearlman Northside Basketball competitions. Both teams, girls and boys, were excellent ambassadors for the school. They displayed outstanding teamwork and cooperation during their games, playing hard and fair. Win or lose, they were pleased with their efforts and acknowledged the efforts of opposition teams and referees in positive ways. Congratulations to the boy's team. They played a number of really close, hard fought games, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in their pool.

Thanks to the parents and supporters who came along to encourage and support our players, and the wonderful mums, Jo Perkins and Fiona Browning who helped out with scoring. Another outstanding team effort by everyone involved!

Diana Wallace and Craig White – Coaches

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## ICAS WRITING COMPETITION RESULTS

Writing is an essential skill which can benefit students for the rest of their lives. Introducing and practicing writing with engaging activities in primary school can foster confidence and a lifelong love of writing. Immediately, writing skills are important for primary school students' continued learning in all academic areas, communication and self-expression.

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2015 ICAS Writing competition. This year, students were challenged with writing a book review that could be published on the school's website. This task required students to give readers an idea what the book was about, an opinion about the book and why the book was or was not good to read. Assessors then marked the book review against criteria around genre, textual grammar, syntax, punctuation and spelling.

This year, 65 students from Year 3 – 6 received 3 high distinction (top 1% of participants), 16 distinction (top 10% of participants), 13 credit (top 25% of participants), 8 Merit (top 35% of participants) and 25 participation certificates. The following students achieved:

### HIGH DISTINCTION

<b>Year 3</b>	Alexandra	Charli
	Evan	

### DISTINCTION

<b>Year 3</b>	Dustin	Eva
	Sohum	Nikhil
	Samuel	Ryan
<b>Year 4</b>	Viraan	Sarvani
	Yasidu	Abigail
	Isaac	

<b>Year 5</b>	Jinyi	Justin
	Danh	

<b>Year 6</b>	Sriya	Lucy
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### CREDIT

<b>Year 3</b>	Aaron	Sol
	Akhil	
<b>Year 4</b>	Alicia	
<b>Year 5</b>	Besret	Athena

	Edward	Katarina
	Latoya	Ruofan
<b>Year 6</b>	Joshua	Ananya
	Satvik	

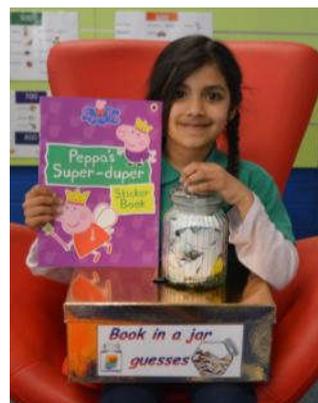
### MERIT

<b>Year 3</b>	Alyssa	Matthew
<b>Year 4</b>	Geordie	
<b>Year 5</b>	Nikhil	Andy
	Jingqi	
<b>Year 6</b>	Teri	Gemma

Well done, Kaleen Primary! Certificates will be awarded at the next Senior School Assembly in Term 4.

Robert Maccioni – Deputy Principal

### Book in a Jar contest



Congratulations to Mehar on correctly guessing the "Book in a Jar" for junior school students. The clues were:

- I am a book written by a famous author, Dr.?
- The cover of my book is green and the word green is in the title
- The title has 2 types of food in it
- This author also wrote *The Cat In The Hat*
- Sam-I-Am is a character in this book
- "I do not like them in a box. I do not like them with a fox..."

Can you guess the book? The answer appears later in this newsletter.

Krissy McCombe – Resource Centre

## SRC



Congratulations to our Term 3 Student Representative Council members:

1Q	Ilyda	Joe
1W	Georgia	Lola
1S	Ruby	Gordon
2H	Demarni	Tinghui
2C	Christopher	Mia
2S	Evie	Joaz
3L	Jamie	Erin
3C	Lakisha	Wendy
3O	Alex	Sol
4W	Taylor	
4L	Owen	
4H	Lachlan	Caleb
5S	Chloe	Dylan
5L	Jack	Nexam
	Sienna	Madeleine
5B	Katerina	Claire
6T	Josh	Asher
6V	Vineth	Sriya

### PARENT EFFECTIVENESS TRAINING (P.E.T)

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The 8 week course consists of a three-hour session, once a week. Bookings essential. \$320 pp for the course.

**Course begins:** Thursday, 15 October, 2015

**Time:** 6:30-9:45 pm **Where:** Weston, ACT.

Contact Larissa, Canberra's most experienced P.E.T. instructor.

0413 451607 [www.parentskills.com.au](http://www.parentskills.com.au) [info@parentskills.com.au](mailto:info@parentskills.com.au)

## ARTS FESTIVAL REMINDER

Remember to keep **Thursday 5 November** free (Week 4 Term 4) as this is our Arts Festival evening from 5:30pm. You will be amazed as our talented students share their art, posters, photos, sculptures and performances.

## OUR LEARNING COMMUNITY - WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

As the leader of our learning community I am very proud of the work which happens in our school and across all ACT public schools.

Each time I visit a classroom in our school I am reminded of the wonderful diversity of our students and the commitment of our staff to ensure they are each celebrated for their achievements and it showed just how much our students have grown in their learning and confidence over this term and the quality of teaching that happens in our school.

I am committed to ensuring that every child in our school is valued, supported and engaged in great learning experiences. I am also committed to working in partnership with our Directorate and with each of you to make this happen. I wish to reinforce the Director-General's message which is that wherever there is a concern, no matter what that concern is, we need to work together to best meet the needs of every child in our school.

I encourage you to speak to me or your child's teacher, if you have any concerns about your child or our school or suggestions for how we can continue to make our school community the best it can be. I can be contacted on 6205 5888.

If you feel that you need to speak to someone beyond our school, I encourage you to contact the Directorate on the community liaison number 6205 5429. You can also access further information on the Directorate's website [www.det.act.gov.au](http://www.det.act.gov.au).

Laurie Campbell - Principal

## OUR STUDENTS

### Footy Finals Fever – North Canberra Bears Rep Players from KPS



*On the weekend, we played the West Belconnen team in the Grand Final of Junior Rugby League, Under 11s. We have played in the team all year. From Year 5 at KPS, Jack S, Jack L, Jhett, Luann, Fiti, Ishaan and Ethan play. The final score was 34 to 24, but at half time it was 18 all. Our coach said that we could be champions so we had to keep trying. Everyone's family came to watch and Fiti scored the last try. We sprayed the coach with water after the game and he was soaked, then we had celebration lunch with lemonade.*

Jack S, Jack L, Jhett, Luann, Fiti, Ishaan and Ethan

### Taekwondo Success



*all of them. I am very happy with how I competed.*

*On 13 September, I went to Sydney to compete in the Sydney Taekwondo Festival. I entered in 4 divisions, the yellow belt 34-38kg and 38-42kg, and blue belt 34-38 and 38-42kg. I had 8 fights, and I won*

Alex (5B)

### Weedkiller experiment



*I entered the ACT Science Fair competition. For my experiment I tested two chemicals to see which one would kill weeds the quickest. The two things I tried were Roundup and Aeroguard. I discovered that Aeroguard killed the weeds after one day but Roundup took a week. I enjoyed doing this experiment and even better I came second in the Early Childhood section of the competition. I received some money and got a certificate.*

Isaac (2C)

### Correction

The Individual division winner of the Japanese guessing game who scored 10 out of 12 was Sriya (6V).

### ACT CHILD & FAMILY CENTRES – FOOD FOR THOUGHT

ACT Child & Family Centres offer a bite-sized look at Childhood Anxiety on 19 November from 9:30-10:30am at Charnwood-Dunlop School. The single information session will cover:

- What is childhood anxiety
- What contributes to anxiety
- Common fears and worries
- Supporting your child with fears and worries
- Where to go for further support.

To register your interest in this session, please contact West Belconnen Child and Family Centre on 6205 2904. For more information about other community services, visit [www.communityservices.act.gov.au](http://www.communityservices.act.gov.au).

# JUNIOR RACE SERIES

The Canberra Cycling Club presents a fun & exciting race series for 6 to 14 year olds.

Includes skills sessions and a Come "n" Try event for first timers! Come out and give bike racing a go!

Any roadworthy bike is suitable.

#### DATES AND LOCATIONS:

- » Oct 31st - Stromlo Forest Park
- » Nov 7th - Dairy Flat Road, Fyshwick
- » Nov 14th - Stromlo Forest Park
- » Nov 21st - Dairy Flat Road, Fyshwick
- » Nov 28th - Stromlo Forest Park

START TIME: 9:00 am

Conducted in a safe, traffic free environment

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## COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS (continued)

**BELCONNEN ARTS CENTRE** Spring School Holiday Program offers a wide range of arts activities from 29 September – 2 October, for artists aged 5 to 12 years. Check out the awesome School Holiday Program with workshops to engage, extend and enchant young and emerging artists. Activities include spring crafts, weaving, puppetry and print making. It is strongly recommended to book to avoid disappointment. Cost \$15 per workshop plus booking fee, includes materials, accompanying adults free! Enrolments can be made online at [www.belconnenartscentre.com.au](http://www.belconnenartscentre.com.au).

**WESTERN DISTRICT JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB:** Register now to play junior cricket this summer with Wests. Australian off-spinner Nathan Lyon, women's player Kris Britt and NSW batsman Ryan Carters all played for Wests. If you want to grow up to be a cricket legend or just have some fun, come and play for Wests. Register by 18 September to guarantee a place in our teams. Visit [www.westsjuniors.act.cricket.com.au](http://www.westsjuniors.act.cricket.com.au) or for more info, email [weserndistrictjuniorcc@gmail.com](mailto:weserndistrictjuniorcc@gmail.com). At Wests, we are committed to developing our players and a passion for the game while having fun in a friendly and positive environment.

**DIAMANTINA SCOUT GROUP HALL OPENING:** 117 Maribyrnong Avenue Kaleen on Sunday 20 September from 10am-12:30pm. All welcome. Activities for children and a sausage sizzle. Official opening at 12 noon.

**BELCONNEN LITTLE ATHLETICS:** Does your child like to run, jump and throw? If so, then little athletics could be the summer sport for them. The philosophy of little athletics is self-improvement in an environment promoting fun, family and fitness. The development of skills and fitness is encouraged in children of all abilities aged 5-17. Meets are held on Saturday mornings (and some Thursday evenings) at Cook oval. The 2015-16 season starts on 17 October and online registrations commenced 1 September. For more information, visit our website [www.bwlac.org.au](http://www.bwlac.org.au) or contact Registrar Paula at [blacregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:blacregistrar@gmail.com) or 0407 017 463 (after hours).

**CRANLEIGH ART SHOW:** 16, 17, 18 October at Cranleigh School, Starke Street, Holt. Featuring works by honours students from ANU School of Art plus quality artworks for sale by Cranleigh's amazing students and local artists to raise money for Cranleigh School. Opening night Friday 16 October from 7-9pm. Live music, wine and canapes. Tickets \$15 at the door. For more information, [www.cranleighps.act.edu.au](http://www.cranleighps.act.edu.au).

**GIRALANG COMMUNITY CENTRE OPEN DAY:** Saturday 31 October 10am – 2pm @ 1 Hirst Place, Giralang. Plant stall, arts and crafts, bake stall, sausage sizzle, dramatic arts performances, preloved clothes sale, face painting and centre information. Giralang Community Centre is a volunteer run association with playgroup sessions offered twice a week at the centre.

### Did you guess correctly?

The answer to the Junior School "Book in a Jar" Competition was  
*Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr Seuss.

## COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

**WAREHOUSE CIRCUS HOLIDAY PROGRAM:** At Kaleen and Chifley. Juggling, acrobatics, stilt walking, hula hoop, plate spinning, poi, trick sticks, diabolo, trapeze, lyra, tissu, Chinese pole, unicycle, mini-tramp, adagio and German wheel. For students aged 5-7 and 8-14 years who want to learn new circus skills or upskill in a fun active program. Email [programs@warehousecircus.org.au](mailto:programs@warehousecircus.org.au) or phone 6260 3626 to enrol now. For more information, visit [www.warehousecircus.org.au](http://www.warehousecircus.org.au).

**ACT JUNIOR CHESS LEAGUE HOLIDAY PROGRAMS:** Visit ACT Junior Chess League's website [www.actjcl.org.au](http://www.actjcl.org.au) to find out more about Chess Boot Camps and the ACT Junior Chess Championships during the upcoming school holidays. Tournament dates, rules, costs, eligibility and prize details are listed for each event. Don't miss out! If your child is thinking of participating in any of these events, email [emma.guo@actjcl.org.au](mailto:emma.guo@actjcl.org.au).

## NIHONGO NYUUSU (JAPANESE NEWS)

It has been a busy, productive and fun Term 3 in Japanese lessons.

Preschoolers continued to 'soak up' Japanese via songs and chants and Kindy students completed their special colour book. Not only did they learn their colours but they also learnt to creep like a ninja and got to try some yummy Japanese treats like *dorayaki* and *anpan*! Special thanks to KW mum Keiko Forster for making those 27 *dorayaki* for the class!



Year 1 and 2 students mastered the daily calendar in Japanese and learnt how to describe their family; Year 3 and 4 consolidated their basic hiragana skills and worked at perfecting sentences saying where they are going, how they are getting there and who they are going with and Year 5 and 6 students learnt how to ask directions, shop and order food and drink in restaurants in Japan. They also worked on mastering their hiragana writing skills and, on top of that, the Year 6 students have been practising some Japanese songs which will be premiered next term!



Hitoshi surprised us all with a visit during Book Week

One highlight of the term was the surprise visit in week 6 by ex-Kagoshima Japanese Teaching Assistant Hitoshi Matsunaga who spent 2013 at Kaleen Primary. We loved seeing Hitoshi who was so excited to be able to join in our book character parade! Hitoshi is about to sit his

exams to become a teacher of English in Japan. We wish him well. Thanks to host families the Nolans (Sienna 3C) and the Gianquittos (Sam 5B) for welcoming Hitoshi back into your homes for the weekend.



Thanks also the Beke Pyne, Niamh (Year 6 2013) and Eireann (3L) for welcoming Mako-sensei into your lovely home! Mako-sensei will spend 7 weeks with Eireann and her family until she moves to the Talapenini family (Sriya 6V and Akky and Nikky 30) in Term 4.

As always, Term 4 will be busy with all manner of 'things Japanese'. KPS Japanese Day will take place on Thursday 22 October (week 2) and the ACT Japanese Primary School Speech Contest will be held at Amaroo School on Saturday 7 November. Notes about these events will be sent out early next term along with the sushi lunch order form for Japanese Day.

Sincere thanks to Kitasaka-sensei and Mako-sensei for covering my classes during the last 3 weeks of term while I enjoy a LSL holiday in Italy with my family. I'd also like to thank Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Lowther and Mrs Quigley for agreeing to swap their normal Japanese release days from Thursday to Monday.

Ros Brydie - Teacher of Japanese

### KPS Arts Festival Sculpture Garden Family Competition

Create a sculpture and enter it in the competition. All sculptures will be displayed in the Indigenous Garden.

**Theme:** Open      **Medium:** Open  
**Dimension:** 50cms      **Due:** Thursday 5 November 2015  
**Judge:** Our very own Artist in Residence, Gillian Jackson  
**Prize:** TBC

Each sculpture must have a label with a stake to display the label.

Letters outlining competition details and return confirmation slips will be sent home soon!

# Year 5 Students in Action



*On Wednesday 2 September, Mrs Trindall and the Year 5 Band went to Turner Primary to have a combined rehearsal with their Year 5 Band. We played 6 pieces. It sounded different because Turner's band is a Brass band and ours is a Woodwind band. I couldn't even hear my flute because the trumpets were behind me. Being at Turner Primary was strange because they have lunch before recess. We had a great time!*

By Alex (5B)



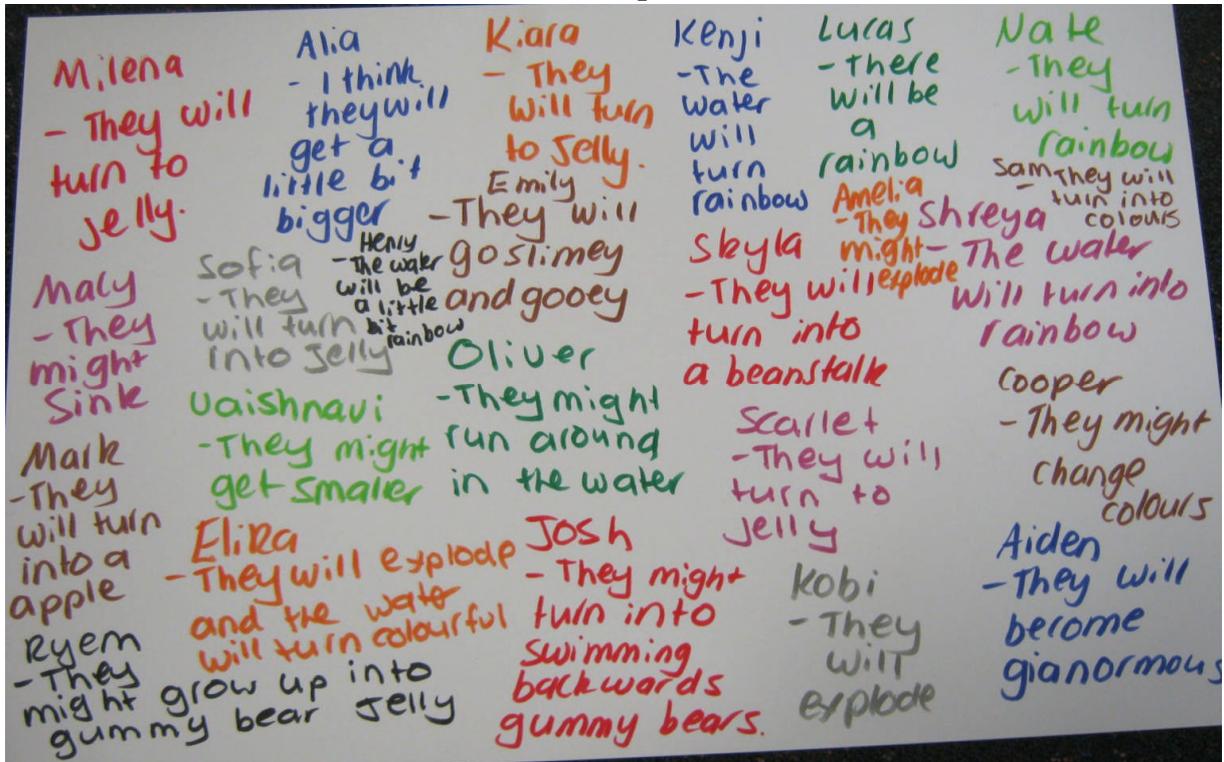
- fun, laughter and learning
- friendship
- support and encouragement
- relationship building

**Preschool Buddies**

# Science Week Activities @ Preschool

Science Week was 15-23 August. At Preschool, we did an experiment to explore what would happen to a gummy bear lolly if we left it in water overnight. Before we put the lollies in the water we predicted (hypothesized) what would happen to the state of the gummy bear lolly.

These were our predictions:



We discovered that the gummy bears had expanded and become much bigger. They had also become, squishy, gooey, slimy and felt like wibbly wobbly jelly.

Parent Reflection

↓ The gummy bears when we first put them in water.



The gummy bears after we left them overnight in water. ↑

Comparing the gummy bear soaked in water to the original gummy bear.





Thanks to the generous support from the P and C, we were able to purchase 14 new LEGO EV3 robots. Students in Years 3, 4 and 5 have been using our new robots within a new robotics program. The program starts with basic programming to make the robots move and turn. It then moves into more complicated programming using the various sensors, displays and sounds to complete a rich assessment task. The rich assessment task requires students to complete a driving test demonstrating specific programming skills taught within the 10 week program. By the end of the program students will receive a driver's licence which will follow them next year to further enhance their programming skills.

### Year 3 students



### Year 4 students

