Term 3, Week 4, 2014

Weekly Award Recipients

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Bronze Awards to:
- Alyssa B
- Leela S
- Omogen O

Silver Awards to:
- Scout B-J
- Cody F
- Yolanda S
- Cooper F

This week the assembly will be hosted by Yr 5/6T - Mr Trotter
Everyone is invited to attend - Friday 10am

5/6M - Mrs Currie

Term 3: Poetry

Drawing inspiration from the school garden, students have been writing some gorgeous Haiku’s. 5,7,5.

Let’s write some haiku’s
The garden inspires ideas
Come, read ours below. (Mrs Bee)
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Uniforms - Participate

THIS WEEK’S WRAP UP

Year 5/6M continued by Mr Pentecost

This term 5/6M has been lucky enough to work in the wonderful school garden. This has coincided with our class writing lots of poetry. So far this term we have written a Quatrain (a poem that has stanzas of four lines, with the same rhyming scheme) and Haiku (a Japanese style of poetry).

Here are some examples of our work.

“Quatrain”

In the dirt the shovel goes,
Making room for growing toes.
All the plants, even trees,
Flowers, plants and Honey Bees. (Brandon)

Summer, Autumn, Winter, Spring,
all the birds in the garden sing.
Plant a seed and watch it grow,
What will it be? No one knows (Nakeita)

“Haiku”

I am a flower
I need the sun to grow
My name is Marigold (Xanthee)

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Providing children with the correct messages and experiences during their primary school years will set them up for making the right personal health choices later in life. Live Life Well @ School (LLWatS) is a joint initiative between the NSW Department of Education and Communities and NSW Ministry of Health that aims to get more students, more active, more often, as well as improving students' eating habits.

Think about carrots for Crunch & Sip/ Fruit Break:

- Carrots:
  - rich in Vitamin A, potassium and fibre,
  - they don’t bruise,
  - kids love their crunchy texture and sweet flavour, something different!

Water:
- About two thirds of our body is water
- It carries food around our body
- It carries away waste
- It keeps our temperature steady
- Drink plenty of clean, plain water: it is THE thirst