Esslemont College Weekly Newsletter

"Let your vision be world embracing" - Bahá'í Writings



Acknowledgement of Country

Esslemont College acknowledges and pays respect to the past, present and emerging Traditional Custodians and Elders of the Dharug Nation and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

A message from the Principal

Deal ye one with another with the utmost love and harmony, with friendliness and fellowship . . . This goal excelleth every other goal, and this aspiration is the monarch of all aspirations. Bahá'í Writings

This week, we delved into the virtue of love, exploring how it can be embodied in our homes, schools, and various environments.

Our visit to Moran Aged Care facility was a heartwarming experience that provided a tangible opportunity to put love into action. The children forged beautiful connections with our new friends, exchanging stories of their rich and fulfilling lives with genuine warmth and joy. The reluctance to leave was a testament to how much they cherished this time together.

In light of Miss Shauna's illness, the children demonstrated their love and concern by sending heartfelt get-well messages and crafting a lovely card for her.



Now is the time to cheer and refresh the down-cast through the invigorating breeze of love and fellowship, and the living waters of friendliness and charity. Baha'i Writings



Visiting Moran Aged Care Facility for our service project and completing our history interviews with residents

What's on next week?

Virtue of the Week - Truthfulness - "Truthfulness is the foundation of all human virtues."

Bright Start ELC Visit - Tuesday

Visiting neighbours to collect data - Monday 11:30-1pm

Music with Mr. Nad - Wednesday

Lockdown Drill - Thursday

Swimming Lessons - Thursday - Please wear sports uniform, bring swimmers, sandals, a towel and bring your drink bottles.

Library - Thursday - don't forget to bring your library bag and book to change!

Homework - Thursday - Please remember your homework book.

Cooking - Veggie Wraps

- Whole wheat wraps
- Hummus
- Cucumbers, carrots, and capsicum
- Lettuce

Classroom News



Creating objects using specified volumes, visiting Moran Aged Care, writing using interesting prompts, playing games and participating in drama to reinforce the concept of love and learning new songs about love with our volunteer Miss Immy

A message from our Teacher

Week 4 was an eventful and fun-filled week. The students finally made it to Moran Aged Care Facility to carry out their long-awaited service project and history assignment. The students enjoyed this more than we had hoped. It was incredible to see their excited and slightly nervous faces approaching their older friends, greeting them, sharing their questions and stories, as well as confidently performing two songs for them.

We were blessed to also have our wonderful volunteer Miss Immy supporting those younger students to ask their questions and record responses on iPads.

What have we been learning?

It has been very exciting to see a few of the students show a renewed interest in reading over the past few weeks. Particularly with Stage 1 students finding chapter book series' that interest them and sharing these with their friends during their news this week.

Kindergarten have continued learning beginning blends this week and practised decoding texts and encoding texts using their new sounds to support them. Stage 1 have been focusing on the spelling rule for the soft g wound. That is, that when an 'i', 'e' or 'y' follow a g, it makes a /j/ sound.



Memorising quotes about love through drawing and actions

In mathematics the students have been focusing on measuring internal (capacity) and external volumes of objects and containers. This has been done through a number of hands-on materials and they have also had many attempts at explaining their reasoning to their peers, teachers and on SeeSaw for their parents.



Creating objects with the same volume but in different arrangements





Problem-solving when learning about volume

