



GRANVILLE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

OUR CHILDREN

TERM 3 - WEEK 10

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2020

What a term it's been!

Thank you to our students, staff and parent community for supporting such an action-packed term of learning. This term has involved some every-day highlights—like daily focus on deep understanding in reading; targeted writing time; learning key concepts in maths; and using a disciplined approach to inquiry.

We have also provided a range of opportunities to engage students: zoo incursions; Augmented reality; fundraisers; PSSA; Jump Rope for Heart; RawArt; robotics; and expos.

No wonder we're tired!!! I hope you all enjoy a relaxing holiday break.

Lessons from Constable El-Jamal

Our Police Youth Liaison Officer visited Years 3-6 to remind them about cyber-safety (*see my overview later in this newsletter*).



A visiting spotted python
(courtesy of the ZooMobile!)



Our front entrance is looking nice. Stay tuned for more improvement to our grounds and facilities!

Tech expo

Students showcased their learning in tech with our whole staff last week. It was insightful to learn about the fabulous opportunities at GEPs. Did you know about our VR kit, 3D printer and robotics work???

Term 3 ends:

Friday 25th September

Term 4 starts:

Monday 12th October

Congratulations

Cosmic Award



Joshua M—2W

Prostar Award



UNIFORM SHOP

Located in Room 5

Open: Every Friday 9am

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Louise Reynolds - Principal



KP (Protea)

Kindergarten had lots of fun learning, experimenting, and watching our eggs hatch into chicks this term. It is genuinely, a great experience watching them grow, eat, drink, rest, play and change. We hope to see them in the open field soon.



We observed seeds germinating and growing in cups. Like good farmers, we replanted them into our vegetable garden. Kindergarten are eagerly waiting to taste some snow peas next term.



Technology has transformed our learning and teaching in the Kindergarten classroom. We use interactive techniques in writing stories, reading online, and searching factual information.

Students seek help from their peers and work in small groups; the students who are more technologically advanced do assist their inexperienced peers. Our kindergartens are expert in reading PM e-readers and writing using book creator.



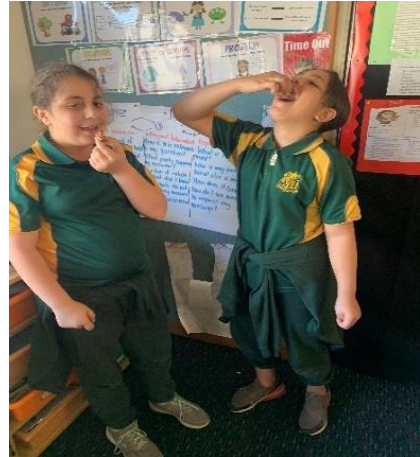
KP artists working with fun

In maths, children were learning to investigate; children learnt to work systematically to find all the possible combinations that make a large number. Children were trying different ways to solve maths problems, especially when it was getting challenging. This school holidays get ready to be surprised, and you will learn that there are multiple ways to solve problems.



What 5/6 Melaleuca have been up to in Term 3!

In Science, students have been working on a unit about **natural disasters**. They have had fun experimenting with Mars Bars when learning about **Earthquakes** and imitating the **tectonic plate's movement** and then eating them! Yum!



To extend their learning and take them into the beyond, they worked with Virtual Reality kits where they experienced different natural disasters up close and personal.



Community Language at GEPs

With Miss Salloum and Mrs Aweik

Learning Arabic is so much fun at GEPs! Our Arabic classrooms recently put together a traditional Arabian themed seating area. This area is used for students to participate in discussions, read Arabic stories and engage with Arabic board games to enhance their learning.



Look at what GEPS students do during Community Language.....



Library News

Term 3 has been a very busy time in the Library.

At the beginning of the term Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 have had an exciting time studying the author Pamela Allen. They have produced some lovely artwork that is on display in the library.



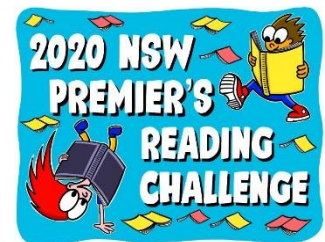
Stage 2 have been improving their research skills while learning about a variety of animals and insects.

Stage 3 have been developing their IT skills while learning the Oliver software, which is in use in all the Department of Education school so they are able to access their GEPS library catalogue and will be able to access their high school library catalogue.



We celebrated Science Week by learning about Artificial Intelligence. Stage 2 and Stage 3 students learnt what Artificial Intelligence is and the many ways we use it in our day to day lives. They then participated in an interactive exercise where the computer used Artificial Intelligence to identify what the students were drawing.

Congratulations to the 277 students who completed their Premier's Reading Challenge which aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. It was wonderful to see the students rising to the challenge. Well done!



To round out the term students have been studying the books that have been shortlisted by the Children's Book Council of Australia for 2020 for the distinction of being Book of the Year. Books are chosen from books published over the past year by Australian authors. Book week aims to celebrate Australian books and has been running since 1945. This poster is in the library and was made with the help of the library monitors.

Due to COVID19 Book Week 2020 has been moved to the 17th of October to the 23rd of October for 2020. **Students will be able to dress up as their favourite Book Character on Wednesday 21st October.**

CYBER SAFETY



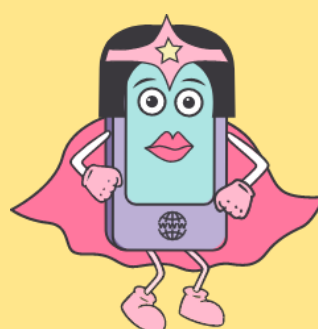
with Constable El-Jamal, from
Auburn Police Network

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IN PERSON?

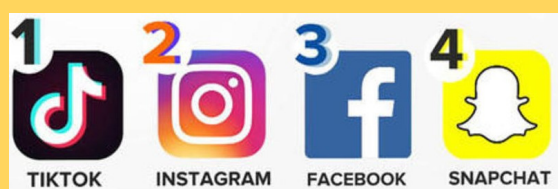
WHAT WOULD YOU DO ONLINE?

BE SAFE KIDS

Would you leave the front door open?
Would you give a personal photo to a stranger?
Would you let a stranger look through your personal things?



SOCIAL MEDIA APPS = 13+



13 YEARS

Age restriction is 13 years for online accounts.

- Check privacy settings
- Only allow friends you have in real life
- Block anyone you don't know
- Report abuse

SHARING

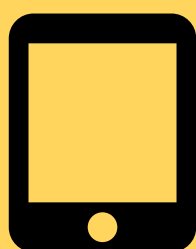
apply the "Grandma test":
*Imagine grandma is with you.
Would she approve of what you
are about to send???*

DON'T SHARE



STOP – BLOCK – REPORT

Are we protecting
each other online?



CYBER BULLYING

It's never okay - even if it begins as a joke.
Be a Positive Bystander.
Get support. Tell a grown-up.

**OPEN COMMUNICATION WITH ADULTS IN
YOUR LIFE IS ESSENTIAL**

For more information visit esafety.gov.au
For support - Kids Helpline Ph: 1800 55 1800

MATHS CORNER

Tangrams

(From <https://wild.maths.org/rearrange-and-make-starting-point>)

Have you ever played around with Tangrams? Well, if you cut up this square into different pieces, you can make all sorts of shapes! Can you:

- use some, not all, the pieces to make different squares?
- What is the smallest square you can make?
- What is the largest square you can make?
- How many different squares can you make altogether?
- What other shapes can you make?

Use the pieces below and have a play! Post your explorations in your Class Dojo portfolio!

Have a fantastic, restful, mathematical holiday!

