

Term 3.

The term is nearing the end and what a busy term it has been in the middle school.

We started the term with a very enjoyable excursion to The Australian Botanic Gardens in Cranbourne where the children discovered the stunning Australian Garden, a contemporary landscape space that showcases the beauty and diversity of Australian flora.

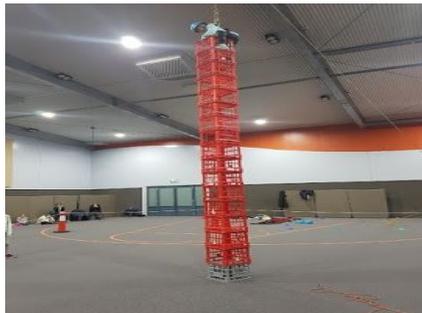
The children gained great knowledge of growing plants in a country where a lot of it is desert. They potted a drought resistant plant and brought it home to plant in their own gardens. I think the highlight, for Y3 was paddling in the 3 tier Rockpool Waterway.

Book week, Literacy/Numeracy week & Indonesian Day. What a week that was. It was a week of stories, art activities, fun maths investigation and a selection of books from Children's Book Awards to read to our classes.

The week finished with our Indonesian Day activities. The activities were again ably supervised by Y9 & 10 St James Bentleigh. These young men are a credit to their school.

The children loved the market where they could buy and barter for items. The corn fritters were a highlight both to eat and prepare.

Phillip Island what a great place to go for camp. The weather challenged us at times, however the children loved all the activities we got to do. The crate building saw Emma stack 18 crates upon each other whilst suspended in a harness, a great feat. The giant swing was another favourite.



First Holy Communion was on Sunday and the children looked beautiful. From the time they processed into the church they made everyone associated with them very proud. A beautiful reverent ceremony.

Our last two weeks of the term will be swimming, four days of each week. Our term will end on the Friday with the Y3 & 4's presenting assembly.

As I said in the beginning, a busy term.

As the term comes to a close we look forward to a T4.