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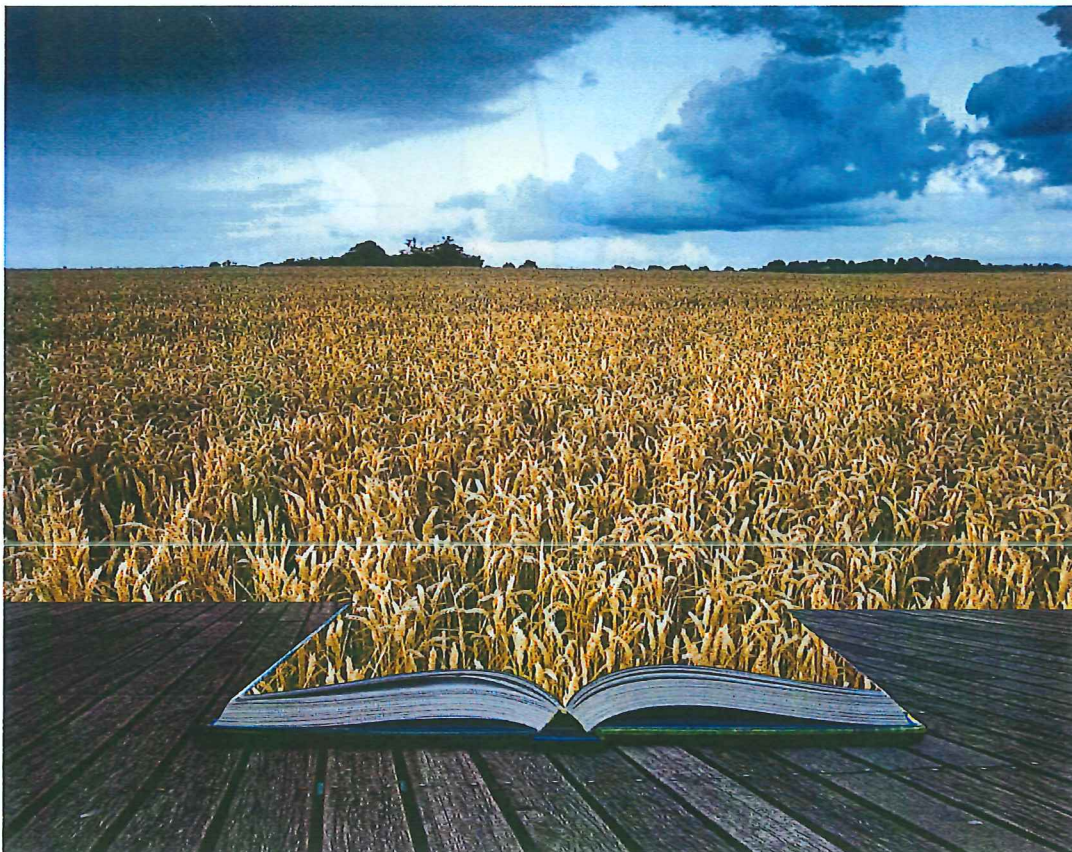
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Dear Parents and Students,

The Harvest Magazine evolves each year, and I am sure you will agree this edition captures the highlights of 2013. As I reflect upon the opportunities given to students, I am proud of the breadth of these, both at a local and interschool level.

All students have had opportunities to excel in sporting, academic and artistic pursuits and our capable staff ensured students were exposed to Technology and Enterprise experiences in a variety of contexts. Students have also had the choice to be involved in leadership activities and the Student Leaders for 2013, together with coordinator Miss Hibbitt, should be commended on their contributions to the school this year. In 2013, camps to Ningaloo and Kalgoorlie were highlights for the students, exposing them to experiences outside their usual scope and providing valuable personal growth. Recent surveys of parents have been overwhelmingly positive with 100% of respondents agreeing that teachers provide a stimulating learning environment and make school work interesting and enjoyable. 100% also agreed that teachers care about how students are going, and are approachable and willing to talk about students' progress.

Community partnerships have played a vital role once again in 2013. The Parents and Citizens Association have supported school initiatives through fund raising, and in kind, the Dowerin Shire have been extremely generous in letting the school use its facilities, the Mens Shed have made tremendous improvements to the Enterprise Yard Shade House and Hot House, and the Dowerin Bakery and JK Williams have supported students on Work Experience.

Our first year as an Independent Public School has been a successful one. The School Board has become familiar with their role and are now ready to embrace the challenge of the increased autonomy afforded by this initiative. This, combined with our partnerships in the local community and with schools in the Inland Lighthouse Network, will help make Dowerin DHS a school of choice for many.

The Dowerin District High School virtues, developed by students and parents, have been embedded in our practice and support the school motto, *Together We Strive*. It is these qualities and willingness to work together that will ensure Dowerin District High School continues to be a successful school.

Barbara Garner
Principal

At Dowerin District High School we are:

Determined
Organised
Welcoming
Enthusiastic *and*
Reliable *We act with*
Integrity *and*
Nurture *others.*



KINDY & PRE-PRIMARY



Pre-Primary

Jessica Holberton
 Favourite Food: Fruit
 Special Talent: Riding my bike.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Teacher.

Linkon Brown
 Favourite Food: Sausages
 Special Talent: Singing
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Zoo Keeper.

Heath Proud
 Favourite Food: Steak
 Special Talent: Riding my bike.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 AFL Player for West Coast Eagles.

Holly Robinson
 Favourite Food: Baked Beans
 Special Talent: Tennis
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Doctor.



Samantha Maisey
 Favourite Food: Pizza
 Special Talent: Skipping
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Teacher.

Raquel Slater
 Favourite Food: Pasta
 Special Talent: Playing netball.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Vet.



Emily Milburn
 Favourite Food: Chocolate
 Special Talent: Riding my bike.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Nurse.

Jarrahn Millsteed
 Favourite Food: Chocolate
 Special Talent: Tennis
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Police Officer in Dowerin.



Riley Hagboom
 Favourite Food: Mushroom Risotto
 Special Talent: Playing football.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A famous Tennis Player.

India Quartermaine
 Favourite Food: Steak
 Special Talent: Playing hockey.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Teacher.



Flinn Metcalf
 Favourite Food: Pears
 Special Talent: Dancing
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Doctor.

Ainsley Crippen
 Favourite Food: Chocolate
 Special Talent: Tennis
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Work with my Dad at Boekman Machinery.



Rylan Hoddy
 Favourite Food: Fruit Salad
 Special Talent: Footy
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Trick Rider.

Piper Allison
 Favourite Food: Chocolate, steak and fruit.
 Special Talent: Doing rolley-polleys.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Scientist.



Jordan Petchell
 Favourite Food: Spaghetti
 Special Talent: Tennis
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 An AFL player for West Coast Eagles.



Kindy

Kaden Alcock

Favourite Food: Fruit
 Special Talent: Somersaults and dancing.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Pirate



Thomas Robinson

Favourite Food: Carrots
 Special Talent: Riding the four-wheeler.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Motor-bike Rider.



Brandon Prior

Favourite Food: Fruit Salad
 Special Talent: Rolley Polleys
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Farmer



Koby Dix

Favourite Food: Apples
 Special Talent: Riding my bike
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Pizza Man—I don't want to make them, only deliver them.



Kaylia Begley

Favourite Food: Vegemite and lettuce sandwich.
 Special Talent: Doing handstands in the pool.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Princess



Hannah Crute

Favourite Food: Salad
 Special Talent: Jumping on the trampoline.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Diver because I really enjoy swimming.



Cody Lee

Favourite Food: Pizza with spinach
 Special Talent: Football
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Farmer



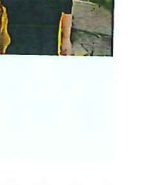
Mollie Ratcliffe

Favourite Food: Apples
 Special Talent: Swinging
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Fairy



Kailee McMorran

Favourite Food: Grapes
 Special Talent: Jumping and doing somersaults on the trampoline.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 A Ballerina



Marcus Slater

Favourite Food: Meatballs
 Special Talent: Front-flips on the trampoline.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Chef



Kai Wayne

Favourite Food: Lasagne
 Special Talent: Skipping.
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Motorbike rider.

Tyson Rickwood

Favourite Food: Pears
 Special Talent: Rolley-Polleys
 What do you want to be when you grow-up?
 Professional Bike Rider.



Kindy/Pre-Primary Reflections

My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when Playgroup visits. Rylan Hoddy
My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when we had the PJ Jungle part. Holly
Robinson

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was when we went to Field Days. Heath proud
My favourite Pre-Primary memory was when we wore out pyjamas to school. Emily
Milburn

My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when we hosted the Fathers Day afternoon tea.
Riley Hagboom

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was going to Field Days. Ainsley Crippen
My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when Dad came in for the Fathers Day
afternoon tea.
Jarrahn Millstead.

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was going to Field Days with school and my Dad
being a helper.
Piper Allison

My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when Dad came to school for a Fathers Day
afternoon tea.
Jordan Petchell

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was going to Field Days. Flinn Metcalf
My favourite Pre-Primary memory was my Dad coming to the Fathers Day afternoon
tea. Linkon Brown

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was going to Field Days. Jessica Holberton
My favourite Pre-Primary memory was when Dad came to school and we did
different activities together.
India Quartermaine

My favourite Pre-Primary memory was wearing my pyjamas to school. Samantha
Maisey

My favourite Pre-Primary memory is when Playgroup come to visit us at school.
Raquel Slater

My favourite Kindy memory is when we did cooking and made 'dirty worms'.
Kailee McMorran

My favourite Kindy memory is when we went to Field Days. Mollie Ratcliffe
My favourite Kindy memory is when we went to Field Days and I saw Izzy the
Dinosaur, Kai Wayne

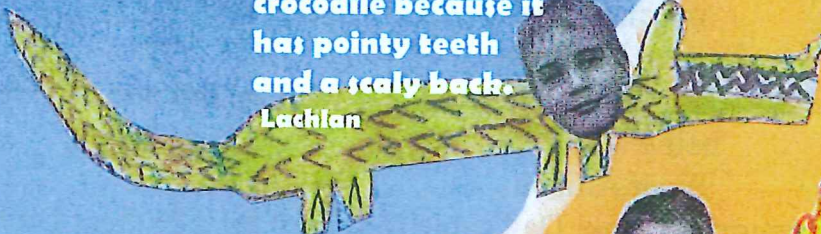


Room 5, A Gre

I'd like to be a platypus because it's sometimes called a duckbill because of its distinctive snout shaped like a duck's beak.



I'd like to be a crocodile because it has pointy teeth and a scaly back.
Lachlan



I'd like to be a kangaroo because they have a pouch to carry their babies and they are really good at jumping.
Aliah

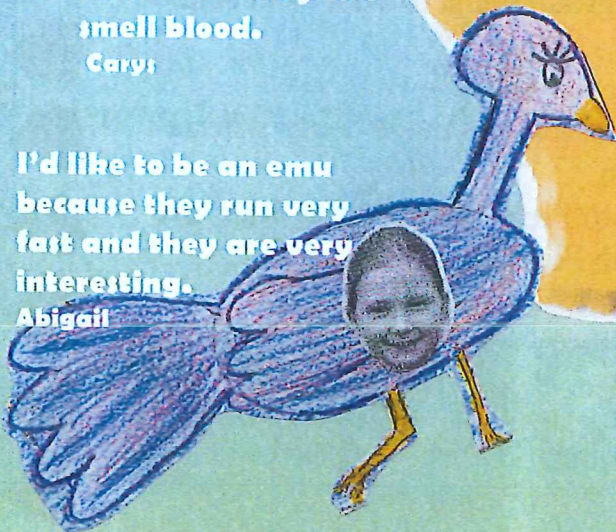


I'd like to be a cocky because they can fly and they eat.
Anabel

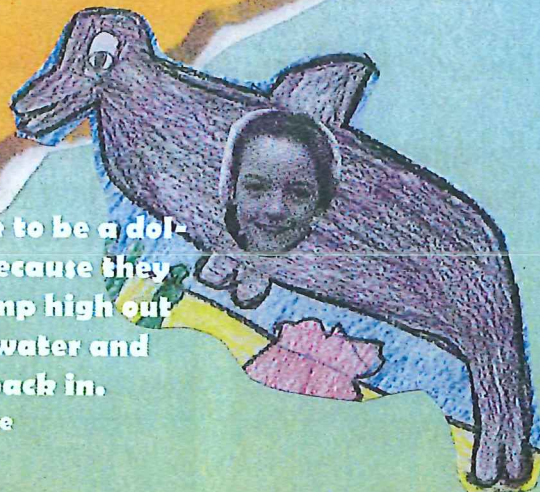
I'd like to be a shark because they have a sensor and they can smell blood.
Carys



I'd like to be an emu because they run very fast and they are very interesting.
Abigail



I'd like to be a dolphin because they can jump high out of the water and jump back in.
Patience



at Place to Learn!



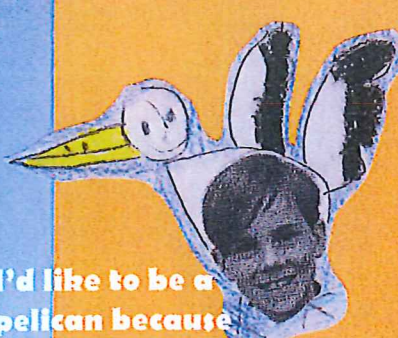
I'd like to be an echidna because no one can touch them because of their spiky back.

Lanii



I'd like to be a shark because they have a sensor that helps them smell blood.

Jethro



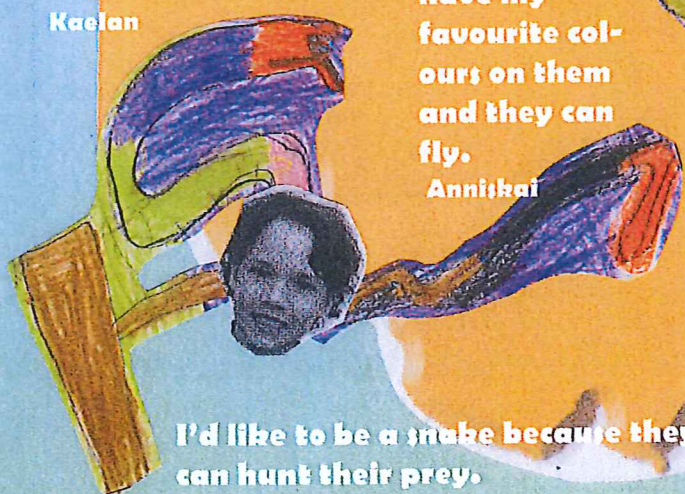
I'd like to be a pelican because they can fly and swim well and their beak is large.

Kaelan



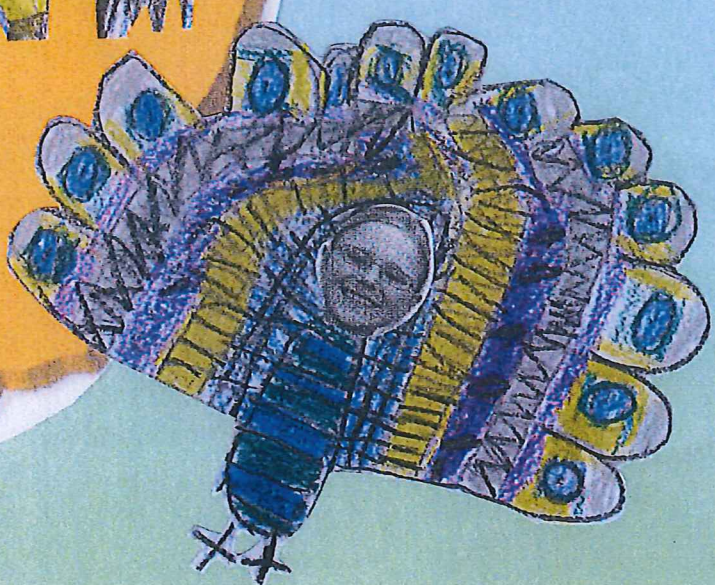
I'd like to be a brolga because they have my favourite colours on them and they can fly.

Annishai



I'd like to be a snake because they can hunt their prey.

Riley



I'd like to be a peacock because they are magnificent.

Matilda



I'd like to be a dolphin because they live in the water and water is my favourite place.
Chalice

I'd like to be a cocky because their colours look cool and they can fly.
Logan



I'd like to be a kangaroo because their big strong legs help them jump very, very high!
Evan

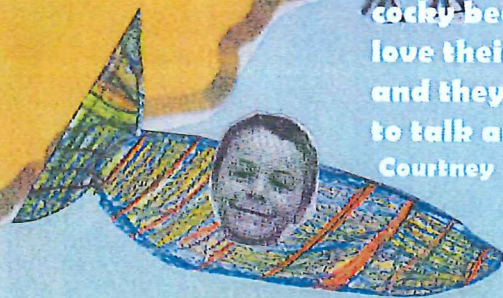
I'd like to be a swan because they have long necks and can go under water to catch fish.
Dannielle



I'd like to be a cocky because I love their colours and they can learn to talk and dance.
Courtney



I'd like to be a koala because they have good grip, beautiful eyes and fluffy fur.
Georgia

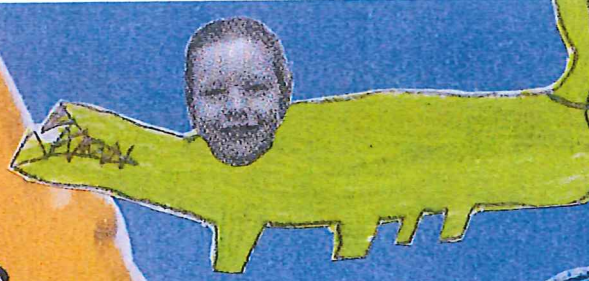


I'd like to be a fish because it can eat its prey and eat lots of fish.
Beau

Australia, A Gre



I'd like to be a dolphin because then I'd be able to swim anywhere I wanted to go.
Samuel



I'd like to be a crocodile because they sneak up on people.
Aimee



I'd like to be a dolphin because they can jump out of the water.
Shae-Lee



I'd like to be a Koala because their babies are very small.
Travardi

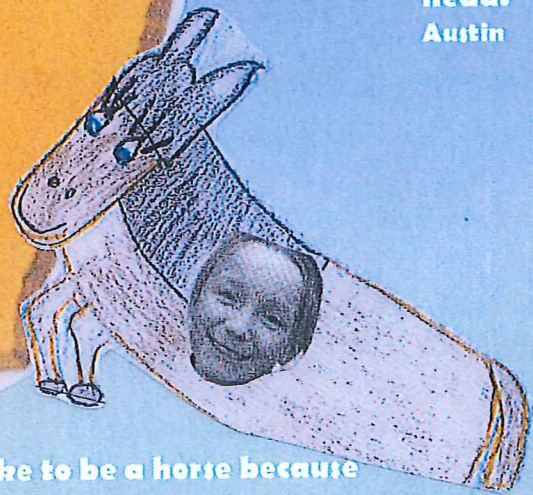


I'd like to be a narwhal because it has a pointy head.
Austin

I'd like to be a possum because I could climb trees.
Kailey



I'd like to be a komodo dragon because they run really fast to catch their prey.
Zavier



I'd like to be a horse because they're friendly and you can ride them.
Zarnie-Maree

at Place to Live!

Room 1-When I Grow Up

Many of us in Year 3 & 4 have changed over the years and so to have our dreams.



Name: **Ava**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A News Reporter



Name: **Alicia**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

Hairdresser

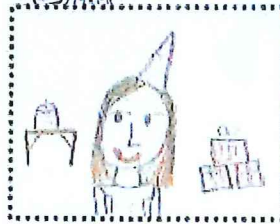


Name: **Tanisha**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Vet

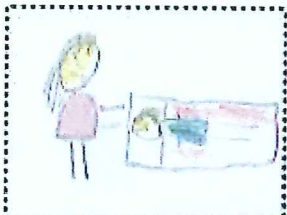


Name: **Charlotte**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Party Planner



Name: **Eilish**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Doctor



Name: **Cameron**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Soccer Player



Name: **Lachlan**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Mechanic

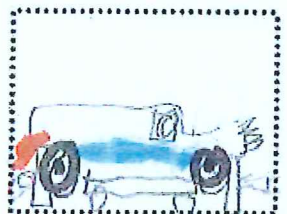


Name: **Erika**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Day-care Teacher

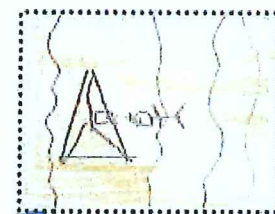


Name: **Edward**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Mechanic



Name: **Jayden**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

An Archaeologist



Name: **Scarlet**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Marine Biologist



Name: **Chaya**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A Teacher

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Name: **Fraser**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

Agricultural Scientist



Name: **Ryan**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

An AFL Player

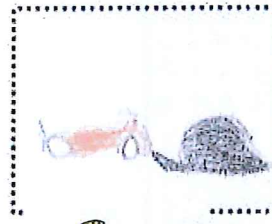


Name: **Maddie**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

Dancer



Name: **Ben**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

Motor Cross Racer

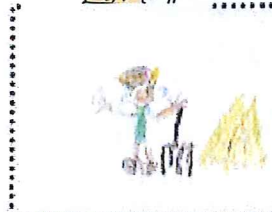


Name: **Isabelle**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

A person who looks after orphans



Name: **Joel**

Year: **4**

When I finish School, I want to be:

Farmer



Name: **Tiahn**

Year: **3**

When I finish School, I want to be:

An Olympic Athlete



Room 1-Theme Work

Here are some word searches that were created by Room 1 about our topics for 2013!

ELECTRIFYING!!!

Lightning
electronics
systems
electricity
machines
circuits
lightbulb
switch

By Jayden Allsopp -Year 4

Scarlet

1. Power Cord
2. Energy
3. Light Bulb
4. Electricity
5. Gear
6. Battery
7. Radio
8. Solar Power

By Scarlet Metcalf -Year 3

Words To Find!

ELECTRICITY
GEARS
SPRINGS
PULLEY
WHEELS
CORDS
SWITCH
ROBOTS
SPARK
CRANKS

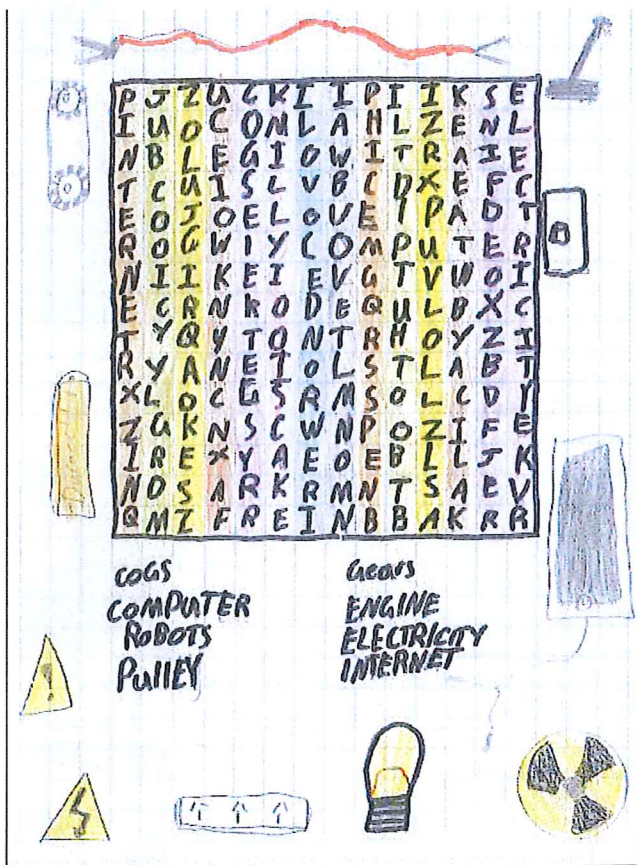
By Ava Quartermaine -Year 4

Truck
Lightning
Electricity
Gears
Magnet
Lightbulb
Robot
Power
Sparks
Battery
Wires
Machine

By Isabelle Ward -Year 4

Room 1-Theme Work

Here are some **MORE** word searches that were created by Room 1 about our topics for 2013!



By Ryan Lee -Year 3



By Eilish Webb -Year 4

Room 1 Summary

By Charlotte Waugh, Class Representative 2013

We have had a great year in Room 1 with many things like NAPLAN, Word Mania, T20 Blast (cricket), Book Fair and for most of us, our first male classroom teacher, Mr Brown.

Our themes this year have been 'Natural Disasters', 'Endangered Animals', 'Machines' and 'Electricity. They have all been great.

We have all really enjoyed this year!

Getting to know the Year 5/6 class!

Darcy Jones

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Going to the pool in Kalgoorlie.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot's dress caught on fire!
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Hunger Games.
- Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Literacy.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Working hard.
- Q6) Do you like being a twin?
Nope!



Dahna Lee

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Camp.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot's dress caught on fire.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Hunger Games.
- Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Tennis.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Chilling in my mansion.
- Q6) What is your favourite sport?
Tennis



Tara Ralph

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Going on camp to Kalgoorlie.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Miss Talbot's dress catching on fire.
- Q3) What was the best book that you read this year?
The Hunger Games.
- Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Hand writing and getting my pen licence.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Teacher.
- Q6) Who where your best friends this year?
Maddy, Eb, Zara and Dahna!



Duke Edis

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Library.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Nothing really.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Spirit Animals.
- Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Pokémon.
- Q5) What do you think you will be doing in 20 year's time?
Playing video games in a forest.
- Q6) What would you do to prank someone and how would you prank them?
I would prank my sister and do a warm water prank.



Jeremiah Webb

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
T&E
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
The jokes at the Talent Quest.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Out Cast.
- Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Art.
- Q5) What do you think you will be doing in 20 year's time?
Trying to make my own boat.
- Q6) What colour would you paint your boat?
Mario Pictures.



Ebony Flavel

- Q1) What was your favorite school this year?
Sport because it is fun and I like doing it.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Kurt threw a lid at Miss Talbot & she jumped in the air.
- Q3) What have you improved at this year?
Math.
- Q4) What was the best book you read this year?
Freak Street. It's a good book.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Getting married to Harry Styles.
- Q6) What was your favorite movie this year?
Pitch Perfect.



Lewis Jones

- Q1) What is your favorite school activity this year?
Sport
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Kurt throwing the textra lid and scaring Miss Talbot.
- Q3) What is the best book you read this year?
The Loser List.
- Q4) What have you improved this year?
Hand writing and getting my pen license.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Being a farmer.
- Q6) What is your favorite sport?
Cricket.



Jaime Anning

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Art
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot saw a dead mouse.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Alice Miranda in the Lead.
- Q4) What have you improved in this year?
Maths and Spelling.
- Q5) What would you be doing in 20 years time?
Teaching.
- Q6) How many kids will you have?
Three.



Clancy Waugh

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
I enjoyed the pool at Kalgoorlie.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot caught her dress on fire.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Last 13.
- Q4) What have you improved on this year?
My maths.
- Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Watching the sunset in my mansion, at the beach.
- Q6) Why are you so smart?
I concentrate in class.



Oscar Metcalf

- Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Art.
- Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot thought there was a mouse and jumped in the air.
- Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Hunger Games.
- Q4) What have you improved in this year?
Writing.
- Q5) What would you be doing in 20 years time?
Farming.
- Q6) Do you plan on getting married?
Yes.



Dylan Metcalf

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Art because it's entertaining.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot burnt her dress on the candle.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Rat Burger.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Spelling.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Sitting on the header.



Kia Melvin

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Sport.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot burned her dress.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
A Short Book.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Spelling.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Skydiving.



Christina Dawson

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Maths.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Miss Talbot thought there was a mouse & jumped really high.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Farm Weekly.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Spelling.
Q5) What would you be doing in 20 years time?
Hopefully teaching.
Q6) Will you ever get married?
Yes.



Jarvis Way

Q1) What was your favorite school activity this year?
Word Mania.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Kurt threw a lid at Miss Talbot's feet. She thought it was a mouse and jumped up into the high hills!
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Hunger Games.
Q4) What have you improved this year?
Long jump.
Q5) What would you be doing in 20 years times?
Army Engineer.
Q6) Do you celebrate Halloween?
Sometimes.



Jarvis Pickering

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
I liked sport.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Tripped backwards and spill the water can on me.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Wolves of the Beyond series.
Q4) What have you improved at this this year?
I improved my Numero skills and graphs in Maths
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
I will be a marine biologist working at Monkey Mia
Q6) What was the best part about Kalgoorlie?
I liked it in the dorms, just having a laugh.



Jeremy White

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Sport.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year
When we were playing dodge ball, somebody threw the ball at my prosthetic leg and I fell on the floor.
Q3) What was the best book you have read this year?
The Hunger Games.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Handwriting.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Being a paralympian.
Q6) Who's your favourite teacher?
Miss Talbot and Miss Hibbitt.



Kurt Richards

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Art
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
I threw a texta at Miss Talbot and she jumped in high heels.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Tom Gates.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
My Spelling.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Truck driving.
Q6) What do you enjoy most when you're farming?
Driving machines.



Madison Pickering

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Kalgoorlie camp.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot lit her dress on fire!!!
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Look.
Q4) What have you improved on this year?
Maths.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years?
Teaching.
Q6) What was your favourite hairstyle this year?
Plait.



Michael Guazzeli

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Sport because Mr Hall taught us all the best things.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
Kurt threw a texta lid at Miss Talbot's feet. She thought it was a mouse and jumped.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
The Hunger Games and Tom Gates.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
My Reading.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Have 2 kids, be married and be an experienced electrician.
Q6) Do you celebrate Halloween?
No.



Rhys Scott

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Athletics carnival.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Kia tried to play soccer with crutches.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Monster Blood Tattoo.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Tolerance.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Being on the farm, working like a man.
Q6) What do you like at school?
Watching the clock, sport and hanging out with KURT.



Zara Sewell

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Kalgoorlie Camp.
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot caught her dress on fire.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Alice Next Door.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Maths.
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Teaching.
Q6) What do you want to be when your older?
Teacher.



Raven Bonney

Q1) What was your favourite school activity this year?
Maths
Q2) What was the funniest thing that happened this year?
When Miss Talbot lit her dress on fire.
Q3) What was the best book you read this year?
Alice Miranda Takes the Lead.
Q4) What have you improved at this year?
Reading
Q5) What will you be doing in 20 years time?
Acting on Broadway in New York.





Kalgoorlie Camp

More 2013 memories

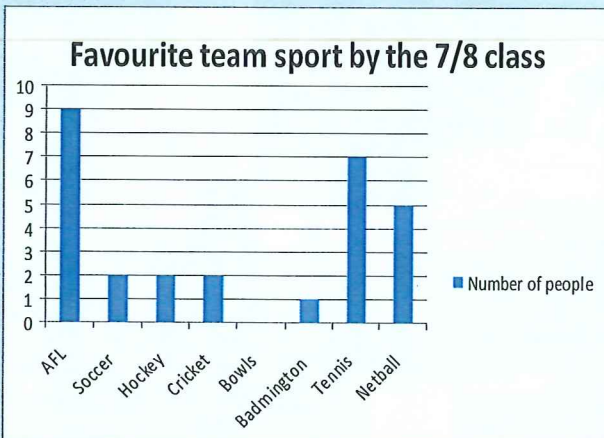
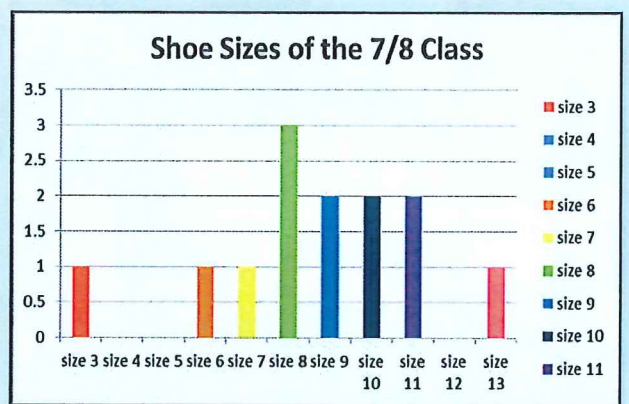
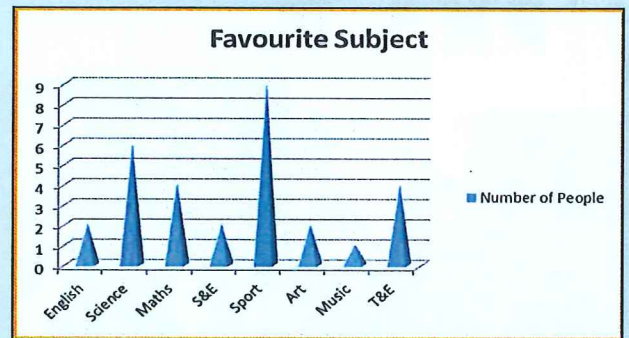
Students on field days adventure



SECONDARY MATHEMATICS

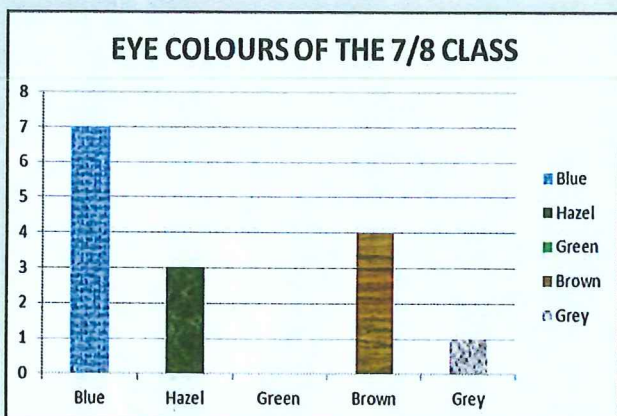
7 & 8 Class

This year in Mathematics we have learnt a variety of things. We started the year by learning mental strategies to solve problems involving addition, subtraction, division and multiplication of whole numbers, fractions and decimals. When we studied Measurement and Geometry, we learnt how to determine unknown angles in parallel lines and how to determine if different triangles are congruent. In Algebra, we learnt how to use pronumerals and coefficients to create rules to help us solve problems involving landscaping. In Statistics, we looked at how we collect and represent data, we surveyed the class to find out what some of our favourite things are, which can be seen in the graphs. It has been a fantastic year in Mathematics, with lots of interesting activities and challenges that have helped us understand many different concepts.



9 & 10 CLASS

Financial literacy was a big aspect of our Mathematics studies this year. The class took part in the ESSI MONEY CHALLENGE, an online finance competition that is designed to help us understand wages and salaries, rent repayments, budgeting and investing money. We learnt several things playing this game; that if you don't pay your bills you can go bankrupt, to watch out for internet scams and what are the safest stocks to invest in.



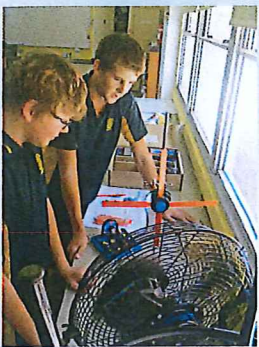
We learnt about volume and surface area of prisms and pyramids, using our understanding of three dimensional shapes to design the most efficient golf ball boxes and milk cartons.

These were just a few of the many different concepts that we studied this year.

SECONDARY SCIENCE

9 & 10 Class

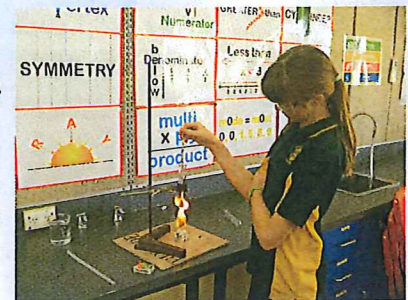
This year was a hands on year in the 9/10 Science class. Throughout the course of the year we studied several different phenomenon including; the movement of plate tectonics, global weather patterns and the ocean currents that cause them, acid / base reactions, combustion reactions and the reactions that occur in different organisms (such as photosynthesis). Experiments were conducted at least once a week to help us visualise and understand the topics that we were learning in class.



It was great to take part in the STELR: Renewable Energy program this year. The program teaches us about electronics through the study of renewable energy resources such as solar panels and wind turbines. It was exciting to be the first to use the new equipment that the school received as a part of the program. We look forward to more hands on Science next year.

7 & 8 Class

Throughout the year the 7/8 class has learnt about many different concepts. We learnt about the rock cycle and how the different types of rocks are formed. We also used the microscopes to examine the life forms that can be found in samples of water from around town. The mosquito larvae were interesting to look at (and scary to some of us!).



One of our main focuses for the year was Chemistry. In our studies of Chemistry we learnt about several concepts, including separation techniques and chemical reactions. Separation



techniques are used to separate; solids from liquids, solids from solids, gases from liquids and liquids from liquids. The different separation techniques are: decantation, filtration, evaporation, crystallisation, centrifugation, chromatography and distillation. Another concept we covered was 'Energy in Food'. To test the stored chemical energy in food we burnt different types of food to see which food could boil 10mL of water. We learnt that 'Cheezels' have quite a lot of stored energy in them, a single cheezel could burn for two minutes and boil the water.

ENGLISH

Year 7/8

In English we have...

"studied visual texts with focus on symbolism. We analysed our favourite songs and made a CD cover using symbolic colours and images." Shane Metcalf.

"studied the fascinating world of digital novels, in particular, *Inanimate Alice*. This novel was about a girl who finds herself getting in situations and running away." Dylan Bonney.

"talked about imaginative texts. *Imaginative texts are texts that provoke images in the reader's mind and entertain.*" Lochlan Begley.

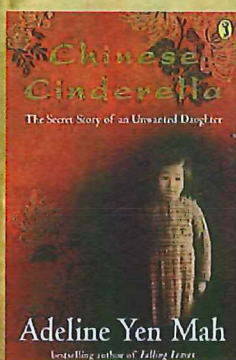
"explored the topic of figurative language. Figurative language is used to create a vivid picture in the reader's mind and also to make the text more interesting. Some examples of figurative language are similes, metaphors, personification, idioms and alliteration." Chloe Pickering.

"FOCUSED ON PUNCTUATION, THIS HELPS US GIVE MORE DETAIL IN OUR WRITING. THE PUNCTUATION WE DIRECTLY STUDIED WAS SEMI COLONS, COLONS AND DIRECT SPEECH." ASHTON HAGBOOM.

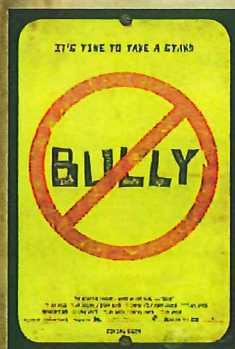
"practised our Timed Writing. We wrote on a range of topics including 'A Trip to the Shop', which was my favourite." Geoffrey Sussmayer.

"we ventured into the world of visual texts. We looked at a range of strategies used to portray meaning." Jedd Quartermaine and Olivia Ward.

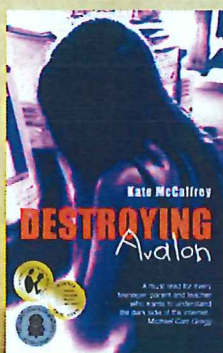
The 9/10 Reading Corner



A true story about a young girl who was an unloved daughter. Her mother died whilst giving birth to her and her brothers' blame her for the death of their mother. Her father remarried to another woman who gave him two more kids. Adeline's stepmother was a very nasty woman and did not accept the other children as her own. This made life hard for Adeline and her siblings.



A documentary about a range of groups of kids being bullied for being different. Bullying leads to suicide and a low self-esteem. A bullying campaign has been started to reduce the amount of bullying that happens within schools and communities.



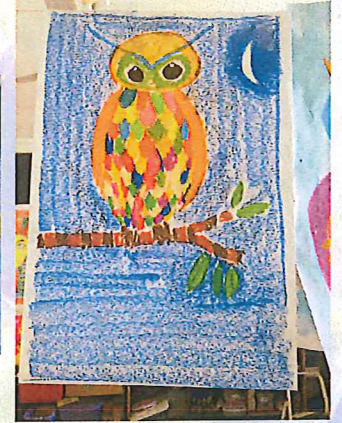
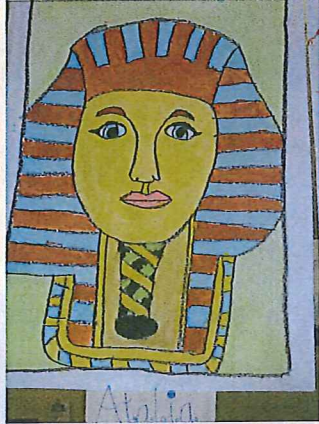
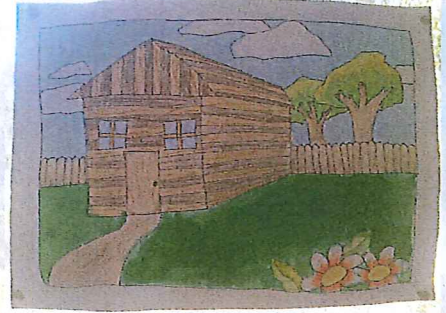
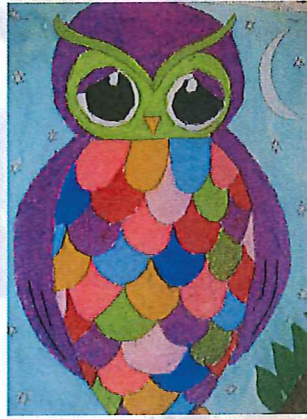
A story about girl who moves from a small country town, to the big city. Being the new girl is hard for her, especially finding friends. And then rumours start....The 'Z group' is her only group of friends. But can she really trust them?

Class rating

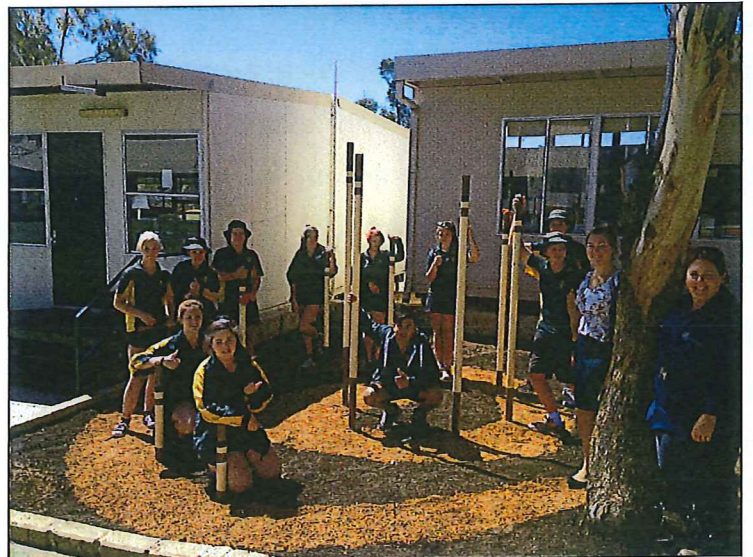
1. Destroying Avalon
2. Bully
3. Chinese Cinderella

ART

Year 7/8



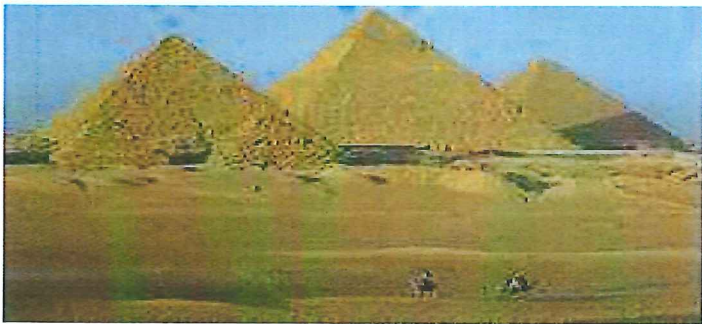
Year 9/10 Reconciliation Garden



SOCIETY & ENVIRONMENT

Term 1

Term 1 was full of fun and interesting facts as our theme was 'Ancient Egypt'. We focused on hieroglyphics, the construction of the pyramids, mummification, the after life and the social hierarchy.



'The Great Pyramid of Giza'

Did you Know? The Great Pyramids of Giza used 2,300,000 granite blocks, each weighing 2.5 tonnes!

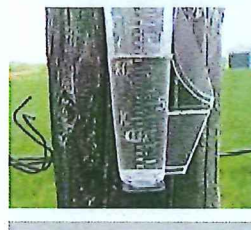
Term 3 & 4

For the last semester we studied climate, water in the world and disasters. We focused on the weather variability, rainfall and pan evaporation in other countries. We then focused on the water situations in Niger (which is in Africa) and Indonesia. We discovered whilst we have a plentiful supply of water they are struggling to source safe drinking water. To end term 4, we looked at disasters all over the globe. We discovered recent and past disasters including Typhoon Haiyan, Cyclone Yasi, the QLD Floods and the VIC Bushfires.



'Himeji Castle'

Did you Know? Himeji castle contained many defence mechanisms to protect the castle from invading armies!



2013 Year 9/10 Society & Environment

MUSIC FESTIVALS: In the third term we learnt about sustainable music festivals. We learnt about all the sustainable features of music festivals. At the end of the term we made some brochures about different music festivals.



AGRICULTURE: In the third term we learnt about agriculture in Australia. We were taught about how Australia sustainably produces a lot of the world's wheat, canola and barley. We also learnt about Australia's other important agricultural industries such

INDONESIA: In the last term we studied the topic of Indonesia. We've been learning about how Indonesia and Australia help each other out.



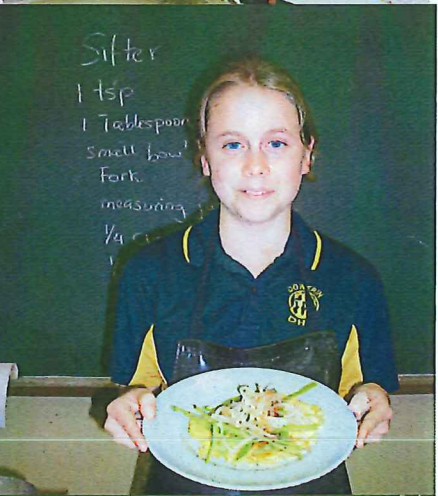
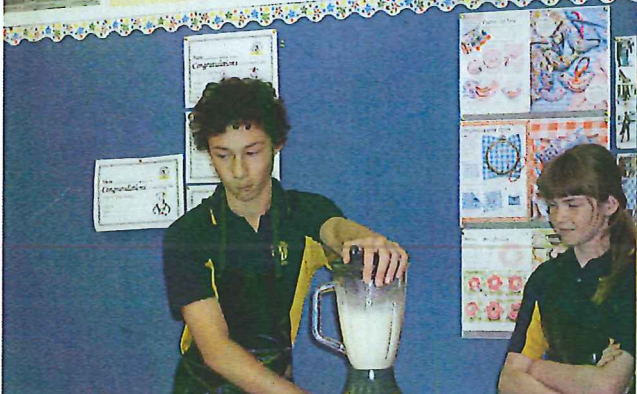
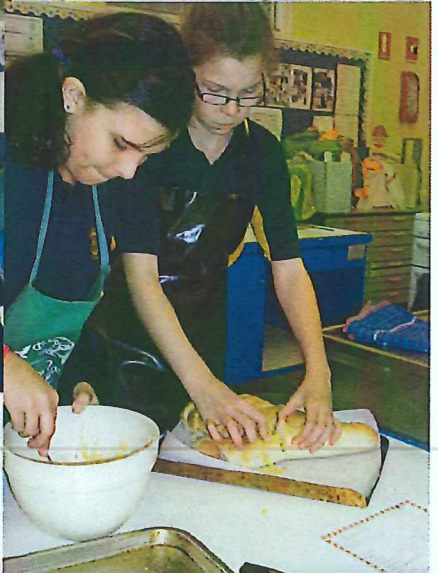
GEOGRAPHY: In third term we did geography. We learnt all about the world and the different biomes such as savannahs, deserts, rainforest, and tundra.

CHINA: In term one we learnt about China's history and what it is today. We were taught how China was untouched from trade until the British forced trade on them. We also learnt about how Australia and China have strong economic ties today.

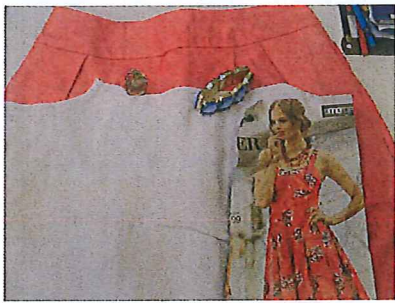


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HOME ECONOMICS



During Term One we focused on designing outfits for a member of the royal family.



During Term Two we continued with our outfit designs from Term One. We also determined how one piece of material can be made into many different outfits.



TEXTILES 2013



During Term Three we focused on creating a slip-cover for a cushion. We learnt new sewing techniques, such as using the envelope method for our cushion cases.



Our focus is on creating pyjama shorts, we have chosen our own fabrics, and will be using techniques learnt from last term, to create them.



WOODWORK METALWORK



This year Woodwork and Metalwork have returned to the Design and Technology room, with two groups of Year 7-10s developing their skills every Wednesday. Woodwork started from day one and Metalwork begun in Semester Two, once the room had a spring clean.

Projects this year in Woodwork have ranged in difficulty as the students increase their knowledge of tools and equipment. We started the year by learning the basics of marking and measuring, sawing, chiselling and most of all safety in a workshop environment. Development projects included a totem pole and small ship, although these were not challenging for some, it gave them an opportunity to refresh their skills. The next stage of projects called for the use of more complex equipment. Students started using the bandsaw, drill press, belt sander and scroll saw in Woodwork. Towards the end of the year, student designed and completed a trinket box, puzzle and a piece of furniture. Metalwork offered students more challenges and a different set of material properties to design and construct their projects. Similar to woodwork projects, we started with the basics. These included bending, cutting and basic joining techniques.

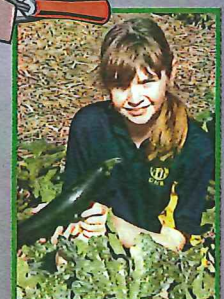
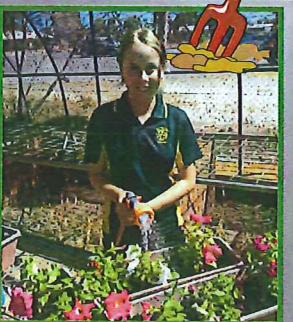
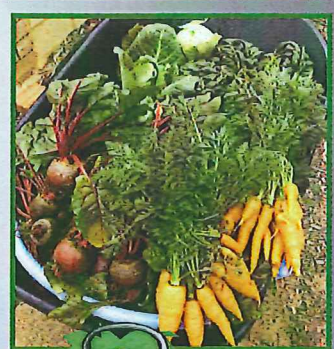
There were many highlights for the year including Lachlan Wiltshire's puzzle, Dylan Bonney's tool box and Danika Cott's dice (first time welder). Overall everyone enjoyed the year and all are looking forward to next year's challenges.



Horticulture

The Year 7-10 Horticulture classes grew and harvested a variety of vegetables early in the year including carrots, spinach, capsicum, zucchini, radish, tomatoes and beetroot. Students 'valued added' to their produce by making delicious beetroot relish and mini zucchini slice. During Semester 2 students propagated a variety of plants and designed and grew container herb and flowering plant gardens. They also assisted with the care and maintenance of the school garden, undertaking pruning and planting of plants propagated by students.

Thanks to Tamara for all her help caring for our plants.



School Sports

2013 started off with the Faction Swimming Carnival, being my first carnival here at Dowerin DHS it was great to see such a well supported event and organised group of parents come along and make for a successful day. The winners Forrest, set a trend for what was to come from this year's Faction Carnivals. There were many highlights from the day but none better than the High School students helping the Junior Primary group with their events. All other Faction Carnival results went Forrest's way, but the margin got smaller and smaller through Cross Country and Athletics. Having had a lot of success at interschool in 2012, there was the expectation of continuing with the winning form. However, a combination of handicapping and losing a few good athletes meant success was not as easy as the previous year. Dowerin finished runner-up at the Swimming Carnival and mid table at the Athletics, but there were many individual highlights from both carnivals.



Madison Pickering and Kyara Hathaway, were champions in their division for swimming, and Tiahn Melvin was champion in her

division at athletics. We also had two runners-up champions in Kyle Kulasekera and Jarvis Way at athletics.



Cross Country was once again in Meckering with our team looking for some reward for their training. Notable performances included Ryan Lee champion year P-3 boys and Tiahn Melvin 3rd P-3 Girls.

School sport finished off with the T20 Blast held in Dowerin. The Year 4/5s and 6/7s played in mixed groups against four other schools. Dowerin finished Champions in the Year 6/7 group and runner-up in the Year 4/5 group.



Dowerin hosted this years Primary Winter Carnival held in Term 2. We nominated 4 teams across football and netball. Although we didn't have a champion team, all the Year 4-7 students who participated had a great day.



This year in Physical Education student have developed their fundamental movement, loco-motor, spatial awareness, offensive, defensive, strategies and tactics across a broad range of games and activities. Many of these new skills were displayed throughout the year at sports carnivals to good effect. Well done to all student on their behaviour and sportsmanship throughout the year. It has made teaching Physical Education a pleasure.

Mr Hall



Term 3 saw the Secondary Winter Carnival take place in Kellerberrin, students played in mixed teams across 6 sports. The day is an opportunity for Secondary students to interact with other East Avon school students.



Chaplain's Chatter

To all staff, students and parents , I wish you Peace for the Festive Season and Happy Holidays with your families.

P-Positive-A positive approach to the challenges of life is helpful.

E-Everyday-Find something to be thankful for and to smile about.

A-Always-Look on the bright side of life.

C-Compassion-Show compassion and care in another's trouble and be kind to yourself.

E-Encourage one another to be the best that they can be in their daily endeavours.

Thank you for a lovely year of learning and sharing .I look forward to next year and wish you all the very best of everything for your future.

Blessings to you all ,

Shirley Hagboom,

Dowerin School Chaplain,2013.

