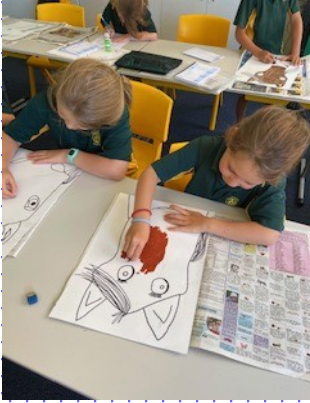


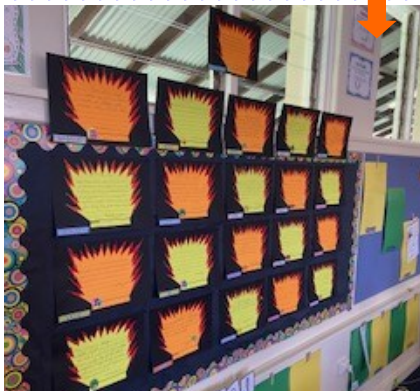
## YEAR 3/4 CLASSROOM CAPERS

We have made a fantastic start to the year. Here are a few snaps to show you what we have been doing.



Our reading strategy focus this week is 'Visualising' here we are drawing the character Red Ned a horse from our class novel. We are visualizing how he looks after reading the text. Our 'VISUALISING' reading strategy came to life with our final pieces being displayed in the classroom. So proud of each student for their efforts!!

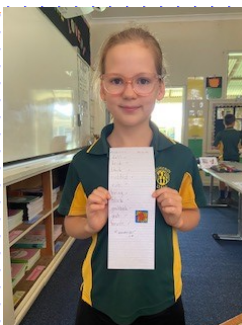
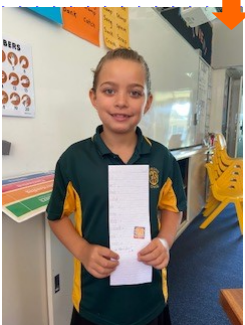
In writing we have been focusing on our 'SIZZLING STARTS' Here is our amazing work on display!



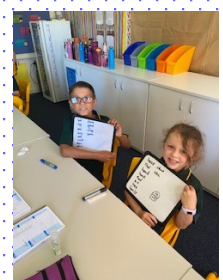
Here we are partner testing our spelling words using whiteboards.



Some SENSATIONAL Spelling test results below!!



We learnt a new Place Value game. Here we are challenging ourselves!!



Each week we focus on an affirmation, so far we have looked at 'RESPECT', 'Speaking to others the way you wish to be spoken to' and 'If you never try, you'll never know!'



## YEAR 3/4 CLASSROOM CAPERS



We read a passage about a 'Nogard'. After reading the text we then had to draw the Nogard using the information from the text! I'm sure you will agree they look

**SENSATIONAL**



The business of our incredibly busy school life meant we missed the last Snippets so I hope you are enjoying the bumper version this week!

### ASSEMBLY

Our assembly this week featured the Year 1/2 and 5/6 classes and saw the first performance of the School Choir. The performances were great and the new undercover area provided terrific acoustics too.

### FACILITIES UPDATE

This week we celebrated the completion of the relocation of the D & T facilities to the Farm Skills Shed and refurbishment of the old D & T room so it can be used as our Makerspace. It will take a little while to get everything ship-shape but we are excited about the possibilities ahead. Having metalwork and woodwork in the same room will allow much more scope for student work. The larger Makerspace will mean the First Lego League tables can be left up and other classes can still take advantage of the creative space. Our Director of Schools—Wheatbelt, Jen Graffin and Executive Director—Facilities, John Fischer attended the assembly and took advantage of their visit to view the recent additions.

### TEACHERS LEARNING TOO

Throughout first term teachers are always busy adding to their knowledge and creating opportunities for students and the school. Mrs Petchell, Mr Brown and I attended the Teacher Development School Forum, listening to some thought provoking and informative speakers and have already received several requests for support from our staff.

Miss Scott, Miss Hibbitt and Mr Brown attended the STEM Enterprise Schools Forum and continued to work on building their knowledge in the STEM area and forging partnerships to support student learning.

Mrs Petchell and Miss Fowler have been nominated one of the 9 Lighthouse Teachers in our network for Early Year s and Years 3-6. They will use this time to build networks and learning opportunities with other schools which will be advantageous to our students and

also build our staff knowledge and connections.

Miss Scott has attended professional learning to make sure we are set to go with NAPLAN Online.

Mrs Pickering has attended professional learning related to Special Needs students.

Miss Graham is now a full bottle on delivering our reading intervention programs MacqLit and MiniLit and completing recent training and before the end of term Mrs Petchell and Miss Scott will attend Talk4Writing PL (which is a teaching writing focus).

WHEW!

### 5/6 CAMP

The Year 5/6 students are off on their camp to Geraldton next week and have an action packed itinerary planned. Thanks to Mrs Petchell for all her organisation and to Mr McMorran for attending as parent helper. Check out the next Snippets for news of what they got up to.

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The faction carnival ran very smoothly with Forrest resounding winners on the day. As always, it is fantastic to see the sportsmanship shown by our students and they way they support each other. All the best to the Interschool Team when they compete in Dowerin on Friday. If you can be there to cheer us on, the first event kicks off at 9.30am.

Have a wonderful fortnight

Barb Garner

Principal

## WHAT'S ON?

Wed 10th March

Yr 7 & 10 Immunisations

Thurs 11th March

Assembly - Yrs 1/2 & 5/6 - 8.55am Start

Fri 12th March

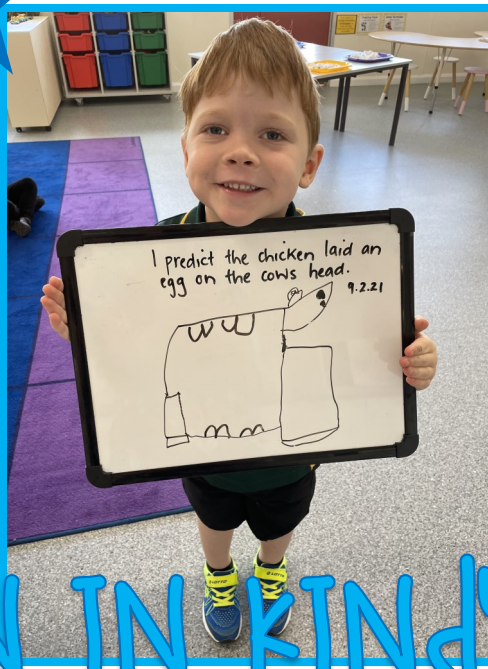
Interschool Swimming - 9.30am Start

Mon 15th - Fri 19th March

Yr 5/6 Camp



# SCHOOL SNIPPETS



## FUN IN KINDY/PRE-PRIMARY

Together We Strive



## Dowerin D.H.S.

## S T E M

On Tuesday 23/2 and Wednesday 24/2 Dowerin D.H.S. was visited by Dr Michelle Ellis and her colleagues from Edith Cowan University.

The Year 9/10 students learnt lots of information about Cyber Security and delved into some activities to help them experience life being a digital investigator and an ethical hacker. The Year 7 class also got to learn about Cyber Security as well as programming the BBC Microbits to use an accelerometer.

Thank you to Edith Cowan University for making the trip to Dowerin!

