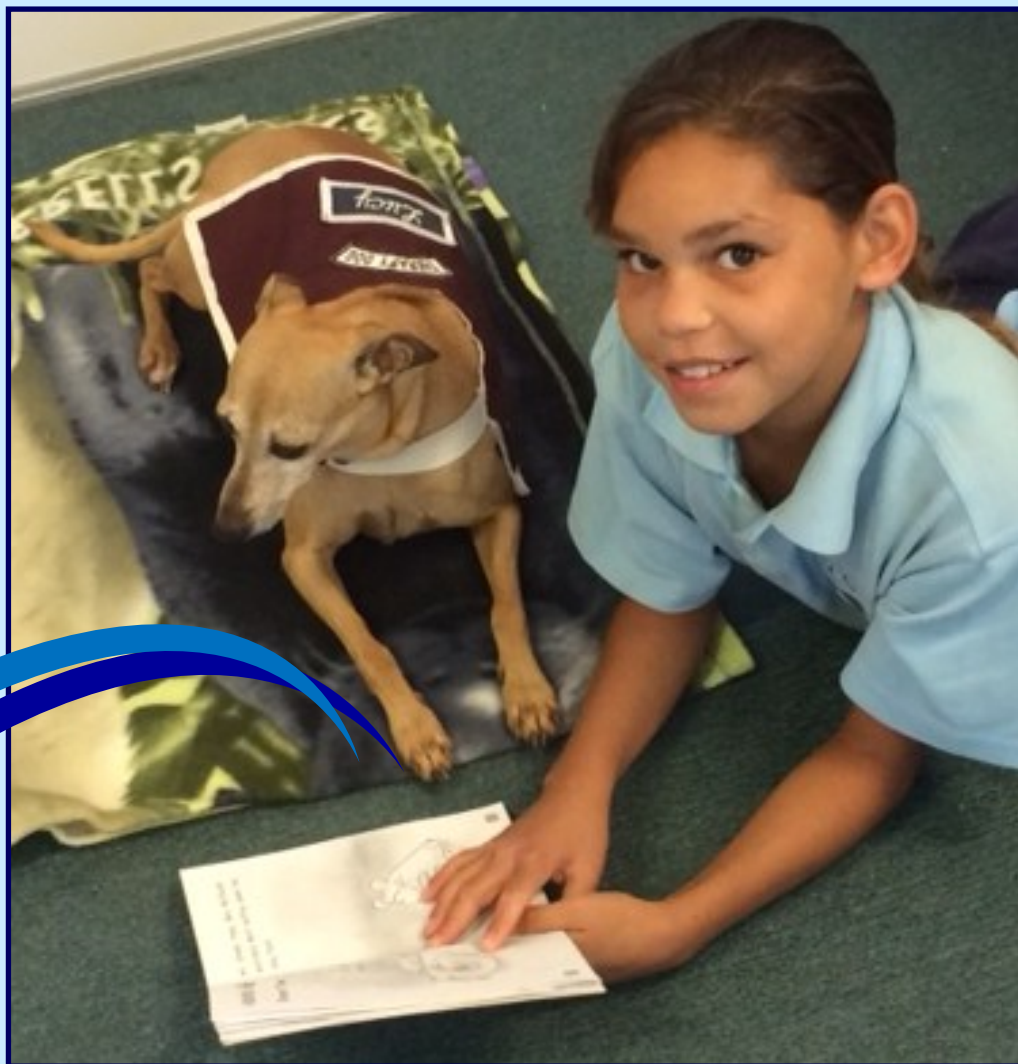


Mungindi Central School

SEMESTER 2 TERM 4 2014

WEEK 5 - 4 November 2014

Year 3/4/5/6 Gets a Visit From Lucy








Last week 3/4/5/6 were lucky enough to have Lucy the Therapy Dog come to visit us for the day. All students had a great time looking after Lucy and in particular reading to her. Having a Therapy Dog in the classroom is a great chance for students to read purely for pleasure to someone/thing that loves to sit and have a pat whilst listening. Year 3/4/5/6 have also been participating in visits to the hospital where we have been reading with patients and walking with patients in the garden. Thanks again to Mrs Brosnan for organising Lucy's visit and also taking students over to the hospital.

Miss Rebecca Freeth
Year 3/4/5/6 Class Teacher

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5 November 2014
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7 November 2014
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10 November 2014
-  **KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION**
11 November 2014
-  **PARENT INFORMATION MEETING**
11 November 2014

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."
Mother Teresa

Mungindi Central School Transition to Preschool Program

All children who wish to enrol in Mungindi Central School Preschool for 2015 are invited with their parents to attend a Transition to Preschool Program

Children need to turn 4 before 31 January 2015

This program will be held on the following
Fridays in Term 4:

17 October 2014, 24 October 2014, 31 October 2014,
7 November 2014, 14 November 2014 and 21 November, 2014

Please bring: Hat, Water Bottle and morning tea.

Children may attend from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon.

Bookings can be made at the

Mungindi Central School Administration Office

Telephone | 0267 532 207



MUNGINDI CENTRAL SCHOOL | TELEPHONE | 0267 532 207

Mungindi Central School Transition to Kindergarten

A transition to school program for children starting Kindergarten in 2015.

Week	Date	Time
2	14 October 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
3	21 October 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
4	28 October 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
5	4 November 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
6	11 November 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
7	18 November 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
8	25 November 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
9	2 December 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am
10	9 December 2014	9:00 am - 11:40 am

Parent Information Meeting

Tuesday 11 November 2014

- 1:30 pm to 2:40 pm -

Where: Mungindi Central School Kinder/1 Classroom

Please bring with you:

Copies of your Child's Immunisation Record & Birth Certificate

Mungindi Central School
59-67 Wirrah Street
Mungindi NSW 2406
Phone: 0267 532 207



Austswim

Primary students will commence their first day of Austswim instruction Wednesday 5 November 2014. Please ensure that you have returned a signed permission note for your child to attend.

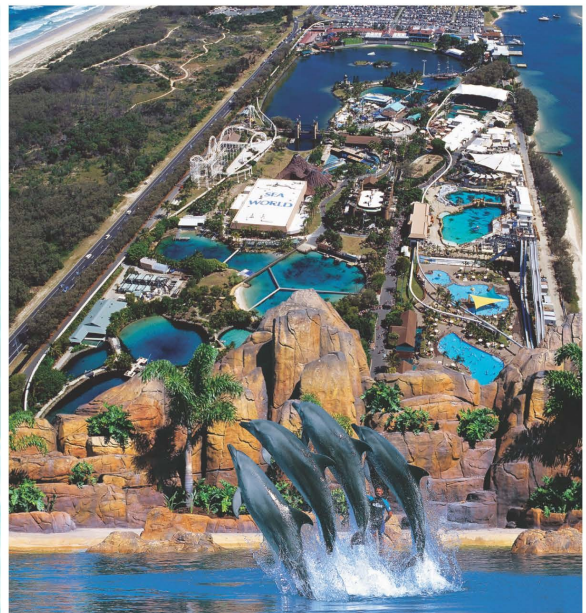
Also, make sure that your child packs their swimsuit, towel, sunshirt, water bottle, hat and sunscreen.

No Hat No Play Policy

Please ensure that you send your child to school with a hat. It is Mungindi Central School Policy that all student must wear a hat, preferably a wide brim or bucket hat, to participate in outdoor activities. Hats are available for purchase from the Administration Office.

If you require more information, please phone the Administration Office on 02 6753 2207.

P & C Raffle



Raffle Fundraiser
GOLD COAST HOLIDAY



**Prize
is for 2
Adults,
2 Children*
& includes:**

- Virgin Australia Airfare voucher for **N/A**
- Stay **4** nights at the World Famous 4½★
Sea World Resort & Water Park in a Resort Room
- With Entry to:

	• Sea World	Unlimited	day(s)
	• Warner Bros. Movie World	Unlimited	day(s)
	• Wet'n'Wild Water World	Unlimited	day(s)
	• Caltex Star Cash Card	\$200.00	
	• With a Food and Beverage Credit for Sea World Resort & Water Park	\$200.00	

**Tickets are
only \$2.00 ea**

Ticket sales close:

17 December 2014

Prize drawn:

**17 December 2014
MCS Presentation Night**

Return tickets/monies by:

5 December 2014

Return tickets/monies to:

MCS Office

Group:

Mungindi Central School Parents & Community Association

Terms and Conditions: A certificate for the accommodation and theme parks will be issued to the winner. The certificate must be presented on arrival. A separate Virgin Australia certificate or Caltex Star Cash Card will be issued to the winner, if applicable. The holiday/theme park certificates, the Virgin Australia certificate and the Caltex Star Cash Card are valid for use for up to 12 months from their issue date. The accommodation component includes room accommodation only. Unless stated, the prize does not include airfares, meals, transport, activities or transfers. Accommodation is subject to availability. The holiday can be used over the Australian School Holidays for a small surcharge of \$40 per night for Shoulder Season or \$100 per night for High Season. It cannot be used during special events. It cannot be transferred or redeemed for cash and must be taken intact. * Child age for Theme Park tickets is 3-13 years (14+ years require adult tickets). We or BLC International Pty Ltd do not accept any liability of whatever nature, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, for the acts, omissions or default, whether negligent or otherwise, of third party providers over whom we have no direct control. Under circumstances where liability cannot be excluded, such liability is limited to the value of the purchased travel arrangements. We do not accept any liability in contract, tort or otherwise for any injury, damage, loss (including consequential loss), delay, additional expense or inconvenience caused directly or indirectly by force majeure or any other event which is beyond our control which is not preventable by reasonable diligence on our part.

Book Review

Title: Refugees

Author/Illustrator: David Miller

Publisher: Lothian Children's Books

For ages: 5-9 years

This week Kindergarten / Year 1 explored the story *Refugees* by David Miller. The story is about two wild ducks whose home is ruined by construction machines. The ducks travel together in search of a new home but everywhere they look is unsafe for them to live. The ducks eventually find a new home after being found by a human who takes them to a reserve. The swamp resembles that of their original home and the ducks are safe again. We have shared some of the students written and artistic responses to the story.

Mrs Stacey Makila

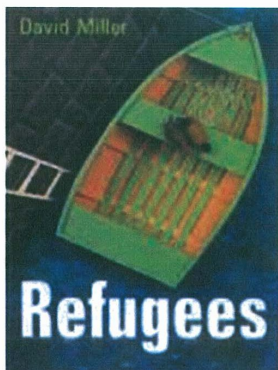
Kindergarten / Year 1 Class Teacher



By Flynn Year 1 Student

What is the author trying to make us feel about the ducks?

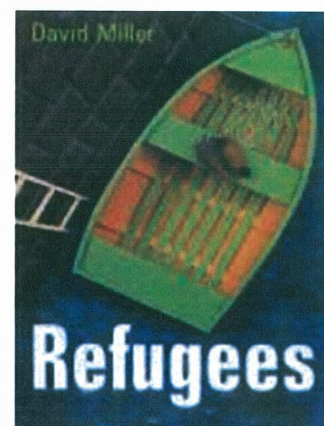
The author makes us feel very sad for the ducks. The ducks lived in a big warm swamp and one day the big diggers ruined their home. One day the ducks went to the beach and the seagulls laughed at the ducks.



By Mikey Year 1 Student

What is the author trying to tell us about the environment?

He was trying to tell us to look after the ducks environment. If we don't look after the precious water and the environment the ducks won't have any water and the animals will die.



By Darcy Kindergarten Student

Essential Secondary Science Assessment

On Tuesday the 11 November 2014, all Year 8 Students across New South Wales will be sitting the ESSAonline Science test.

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) is an assessment program for all students in Year 8. An interactive, multimedia online test called ESSAonline is held in November each year. It is a diagnostic test that will provide information about what your child knows and can do in science. Tasks in the test are framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the New South Wales Science Years 7–10 Syllabus.

Students will be tested on their:

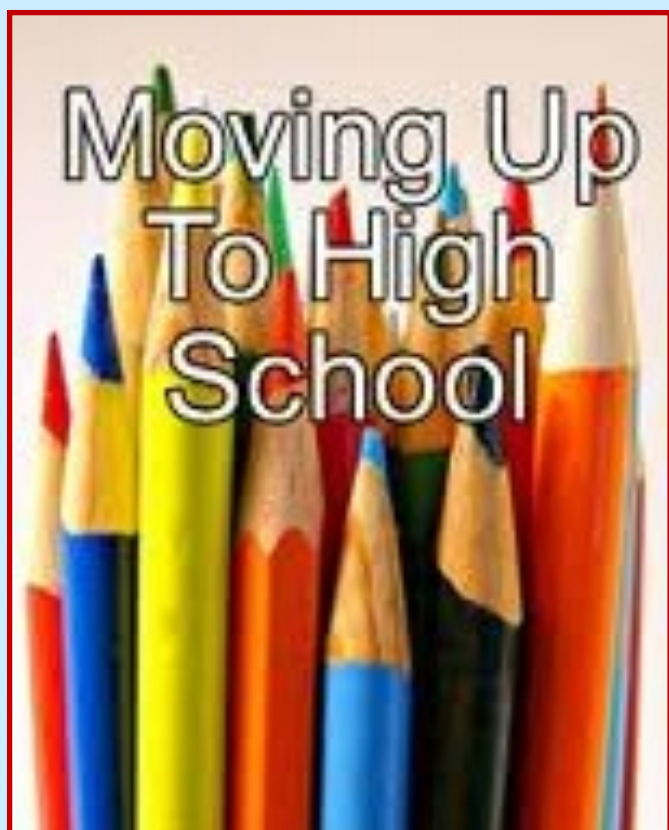
- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation, which includes using a simulated experiment
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas using a variety of strategies.

If you require any additional information please don't hesitate to contact Mr Erich Riesinger or Miss Kimberly Smith.

Miss Kimberly Smith

Secondary Science Teacher

Year 6 Transition



Year 6 Transition Information Day is on Friday 7 November 2014, 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the School Hall.

Transition Classes Start Week 6 Thursday 13 November and another session in Week 7 Thursday 20 November 2014.

Students will have a 'feel' of what high school is like and gain a bit of experience in the subjects they will be taking the following year, rules, expectations, extra-curricular activities, social skills with older students and getting to know the respective teachers. There will be a lot of learning!

APP of the Week

Maths VS Zombies 2

Price: \$4.99



Price: \$5.30



Overview

Zombie-loving kids rejoice! *Math Vs Zombies 2* gives kids a way to get their fill of zombies while building their math skills at the same time. This isn't your typical blood and guts, brain-eating zombie app. Instead, kids will encounter cartoonish zombies who love to eat donuts and other sweets. Correctly solving math problems, involving a range of skills, such as addition, subtraction, and greater than/less than turns the zombies back into adorable children. The more problems solved, the more kids saved.

Features include:

- 7 math topics
- Progress tracking
- Multiple levels of play
- Eerie zombies and background music



Quality

Math Vs Zombies 2 definitely has the feel of an eerie zombies app. As kids navigate through the app, they'll encounter mysterious background music, random screams, and spooky zombies. Rather than being scary, however, the whole app is a bit comical and cartoonish, making ideal for a wide age range and perfect for kids who want to interact with zombies, but are typically scared of the whole creepy Halloween scene. The quality of the app extends to the games, which are clearly organized by skill and by level, making it easy for kids to find the skill they want to practice and track their progress as they complete levels.

Education

Inside the app, kids will find 7 different skills and 84 different levels. Skills covered include basic counting, greater than/less than, addition, subtraction, plus or minus, multiplication, and division. Kids start on level one of each skill and the problems increase in difficulty as they advance through the levels. Parents and teachers will appreciate the report card feature which allows them to quickly see a kids' progression by skill and grade-level, tracking their performance based on Common Core math standards too. A special parent section also gives adults suggestions for how to use the app with kids.

Entertainment

While the app offers 7 different skills and multiple levels, many of the games are the same. Kids will love changing the zombies into kids by answering questions, but they will probably get a bit bored if they play the game for long periods at a time. In most of the games, kids just answer questions and zap zombies as they walk along a road. It's a lot of fun, but can get repetitive after a while.

Value

Math Vs Zombies 2 covers a wide range of grade levels and skills. Designed for ages 5-11, kids even younger than 5 and older than 11 may also benefit from the app. Add to that the ability to track kids' progress based on individual skills and with regard to the Common Core standards and the app offers a lot of value. Despite that value, it still comes with a pretty high price tag.

Child Friendliness

Some parents may be hesitant to let their kids play a game involving zombies, but this game is less scary zombies and more fun, cartoonish zombies. The zombies don't seek out people and attempt to eat their brains. Instead, they're adorable child zombies that can't wait to be zapped and turned into even cuter little kids. Beyond the zombie aspect, the game is very child friendly, keeping kids focused on the games and using a parental block to keep them from accessing parent information.

Taken from: <http://bestappsforkids.com>

Good for Kids good for life

Why does our school have Crunch&Sip®?

Crunch&Sip® is a set time in primary schools for students to 'refuel' on fruit and salad vegetables and 'rehydrate' with water¹.

Research has shown that students who are not hungry and are well hydrated perform better in the classroom, show increased concentration, and are less likely to be irritable and disruptive¹.

Crunch&Sip® gives students the opportunity to eat at least one serve of fruit or vegetables a day and can help increase their overall total daily intake.

What to pack for Crunch&Sip®²

- A bottle of water

And either:

- A whole piece of fruit or vegetables e.g. mandarin, banana, carrot
- A small container of bite sized fruit or vegetables e.g. berries, grapes, carrots, celery
- Vegetable sticks
- Dried fruit very occasionally

Consider fruits and vegetables that are in season as this will help to lower the cost and be sure to pack something for Crunch&Sip® everyday!

Reference:

¹ www.healthy-kids.nsw.gov.au

² Crunch&Sip® Information for Parent fact Sheet



PHONE 1300 657 197

CANTEEN MENU 2014 WEEK 5

STANDARD MENU

Pie	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Pizza	\$4.00
Salad Bowl	\$3.50
Chicken	
Wraps	\$3.50
Chicken & Salad	
Chicken Nuggets (each)	\$0.50

FIXED PRICE PACK

\$ 8.00

Chicken & Salad Wrap



OR



DRINKS & EXTRAS

Water	\$2.00
LOL	\$2.50
Juice Popper	\$2.50
Milk	\$2.50
Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
Paddle Pop	\$2.50
(Rainbow, Choc, Banana)	
Small Packet Chips	\$1.00
1 Piece of Fruit	\$1.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Jelly or Fruit Cup	\$1.00

CALENDAR

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

TERM 4- NOV 3

SECONDARY
HOMEWORK CENTRE

4

KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION

5

AUSTSWIM - PRIMARY

6

7

PRESCHOOL
TRANSITION

10

SECONDARY
HOMEWORK CENTRE

11

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION
&
PARENT INFORMATION MEETING
- 1:30 PM
Secondary ESSA

12

AUSTSWIM - PRIMARY

13

YEAR 7 VACCINATIONS

14

PRESCHOOL
TRANSITION

17

SECONDARY
HOMEWORK CENTRE

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KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION
KINDERGARTEN AND
YEAR 1 TRIP TO MOREE

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AUSTSWIM - PRIMARY

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PRESCHOOL
TRANSITION

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SECONDARY
HOMEWORK CENTRE

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KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION
KINDERGARTEN AND
YEAR 1 TRIP TO MOREE

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AUSTSWIM - PRIMARY

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WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2014 - AUSTSWIM - PRIMARY

FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2014 - PRESCHOOL TRANSITION

MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2014 - SECONDARY HOMEWORK CENTRE

TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2014 - KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2014 - KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION MEETING-1:30 PM



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