Library News

The Library is a very busy and happening place. We have many things going on within K-6. We have a very active and hands-on unit of Measurement with plenty of group work in estimating, pouring, tipping, checking and recording in the topic of volume and capacity. The children all seem to be enjoying the unit and are enthusiastically involved in the measurement of different capacities using rice, sand, pasta and especially water. Mixing children and water gets some great results - add sand to the mix and it gets even better!

K/1 have been guessing, comparing and filling to determine the larger or smaller container, organising containers from smallest to largest and ‘dumping’ and ‘stacking’ to determine how many cubes a container will fit hold.

Yr 2/3 have been estimating using knowledge of height, width, length, etc of a container to determine the larger of several containers and then checking by using materials such as rice by pouring from one container to another.

Yr 4/5/6 children have been doing a little of the same, converting measurements from ml to L and back, they have continued through the program by looking at the volume of prisms and onto cubic centimetres and metres.

Plenty of library books have been coming and going during the term with many of the children borrowing each and every week. Mrs Smith has been a fantastic help during the student’s returning and borrowing of books - thank you Mrs Smith! Well done children on returning your library books so often!

Our Library unit of ‘Journeys’ has continued from Term 1 and the children have been planning their journey to a special place, including who they will be going with, how they will be getting there and what they will need to take. They are currently working on postcards from their fantasy journey. We have postcards from Hollywood, Tokyo, Cat Land, Rio de Janeiro, Judgement Day, Queensland, Sydney, Paris (mmm...now wouldn’t that be nice?), Candy Island and New York. In the coming weeks the postcards will be displayed for visitors to our Library to enjoy.

The children have also been focussing on the text ‘Warambi’, a story of a bat, who loses her family in the confusion caused when machines enter the bushland where she lives. The book is written by Australian Author Aleesha Darlinson who is also involved with Taronga Zoo’s National Year of Reading project. The children will be participating in a Video Conference next week presented by the Zoo where the story will be a focus.

In the last few weeks of the term, the spotlight will be back on our Journey theme and the children will be working on a map of their travels, including written and illustrated information. Please feel free to come in and look around the library to see the children’s work.

Mrs Lucy Scott