"Choose Respect"

Dates to Remember:

11th Nov Remembrance Day Service RSL

15th Nov Blue Wren Excursion 26th Nov Y5 Pinjarra Transition

27th Nov Kindy 2025 Parent Orientation 28th Nov Kindy/Y2 in class transition

28&29th Nov Y6 to Pinjarra SHS

29th Nov Kindy 2025 student orientation

4th Dec Graduation Assembly

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5th Dec Kindy Picnic

5th Dec Kindy/Y2 in class transition

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6th Nov Shhh! Reward Day 7th Dec Dwelly Xmas Tree 12th Dec Hose Down Day 12th Dec Last Day of Year

5th Feb 2025 Students first day of year



Our P&C has been actively involved with school and have done a lot of fundraising. They have subsidised excursions, Y6 shirts, Y6 camp and have approved Y6 shirts for 2025, Student work books for 2025 and are exploring ways to subsidise swimming, 2025 camp and other excursions. All this while having fun doing it together.

It is important that we maintain this momentum and get as many people involved in all fundraisers as much as possible. Many hands make light work and stops just a few people from having to bear all the responsibility of making our school better for your child/children. You will see that next year, the P&C will not ask for a \$40 contribution from parents but we hope you can support them with a bit of your time instead.

At assembly this week, Mr Warren was presented with a brand new John Deere lawn mower that the P&C organised with the help from John at JRM Resources and the team at Afgri in South Guildford. A new Honda line trimmer has also been pledged. Thanks to all those who contributed to the Go Fund Me page which will be used to purchase a new trailer and equipment for Mr Warren as well. Mr Warren appeared to be very chuffed



by his new gift and it took stern words from Mrs Warren to stop him doing a celebratory head stand on it.

Year 6 camp has been a long tradition at Dwellingup PS that unfortunately can no longer be sustained. The costs are escalating and the school can no longer afford to subsidise it. The cost of camp this year was approximately \$1000 per student but was reduced thanks to fundraising from the P&C and costs absorbed by the school. We were already able to minimise costs by joining with North Dandalup for this year's camp and being able to send only one staff member instead of the minimum three.

We deeply value the rewards and learning that the camp experience brings to our students along with the benefits of teamwork and leadership skill opportunities available, so, next year we will be looking to run an entire class camp for the Phascogale class in Term 1 or Term 2 and will be calling a parent meeting to gage interest in fundraising for this experience.

Recently the Dept of Education issued a plan to reduce the workload on teachers by reducing the reporting requirements of schools. I am very pleased to say that having consulted with our staff, they have agreed to report on more than the minimum expected by the department.

Your child's report at the end of this semester will have learning area grades for all required areas (English, Math, Science, Health & PE etc.) along with sub strand grades which will enable you to see how your child is performing in areas such as reading, writing, number, geography, digital technology ... This will be accompanied by an overall general comment about your child/children at school.

Dwellingup PS will be sending these reports home earlier than normal (8th December) and offering parents an opportunity to book a short one to one interview with the classroom teacher so you can clarify any questions you may have.

Assembly: Wednesday 6th November

Our Assembly this week was hosted by our Echidna class (PrePrimary & Kindergarten) and these students were always going to win the cuteness factor. They performed a song about a Turtle named Tiny Tim before sharing their favourite sea animal with us. Turtles, crabs and sharks were the most popular. Follow the link to their performance on our Facebook page using the QR code.







A big congratulations to our Merit Award recipetents Colton, Macy, Pearl, Matilda, Bella, Cedar, Heath and Ava. Very much deserved recognition.



Our Aussie of the Month award was presented to another very special student who always shows concern and thinking of others around her. This year, Macy stopped less than 50m from the cross country finish line to go back and help a friend who had stopped running - they then crossed the line together. She always checks in on other students who may be upset about something and she has been see bringing presents in for others just to show she was thinking about them. An absolute pleasure to have at our school.

All these award receivers can head to Longriders Café where they can get a free milkshake.

NEXT ASSEMBLY

GRADUATION & END OF YEAR AWARDS

9:00AM WEDNESDAY

4TH DECEMBER



Kindy and Pre-Primary - Echidna Class

This term the classroom has been transformed into an underwater wonderland as the students learn about the ocean, sea creatures and the importance of looking after our marine environment.







Students learnt about turtles and made a paper plate turtle for our 'Tiny Tim' assembly item. We have explored shells, corals, sea sponges and sea creatures at the 'Ocean discovery table' and made fish and chips in our Fish and Chip shop. As part of our phonics program, the Kindy students made a fish and an octopus. We have also been exploring materials that float and sink in preparation for designing and creating a boat.



















We enjoyed dressing up for Halloween and going 'Trick or Treating' with our families. Pre-Primary students had to draw and write about their costumes.











Blue Wren Class - Mrs Morgan

Welcome back for fourth term; days are getting warmer and, seemingly, longer. As you know, in preparation for the hot weather, the students will require hats for their outdoor activities during this term. Please remind your children of the importance of wearing hats over the next 6 weeks.

Thank you very much, parents and families, for continuing to support your children in their educational journey by listening to, encouraging and supervising them during their home reading and spelling tasks.

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Unfortunately, I have noticed a small decrease in the number of students completing both tasks on a regular basis. This has been disappointing as the students struggle to participate confidently in their lessons, and also miss out on the opportunity to gain Dojo point rewards. Please be assured that this (sometimes) tedious chore every day/night is

establishing good study habits for your children which will be of benefit to them in the higher grades. Please, if possible, set aside a short amount of time each evening or morning to sit with your child to encourage him/her to practise decoding skills.

Earlier this term, we celebrated Lavinia and Tahni's birthdays and had the opportunity to say hello to two of our Dwellingup Policemen and women when they visited our school before the community Halloween event.



Next week, Blue Wren class will be visiting Aegis Nursing home in Greenfields to sing and dance for the residents as part of their Health Community services curriculum and then enjoy a reward at Amaze Miniature Park afterwards. The students are excited and looking forward to presenting their items to a different audience.

Over the next three weeks, our class will be participating in PAT testing to assess the progress of students in Reading, Maths and Spelling. I am hoping our students will be well prepared, ensuring they have enough sleep and are well nourished and hydrated.

Lastly, on Wednesday, 4th of December, the Blue Wren class, along with the Kindy, Pre Primary and senior students, will be presenting a combined item for our Graduation. Please mark this date on your calendars. We would love you to join us. (More details to be given later this term)

Sincerely,

Mrs Morgan

Phascogale Class - Miss Fisher

Miss Fisher

This year is really speeding along! It is already halfway through Fourth Term!

Some highlights in our learning this term



have been the Year 3s and 4s Reading unit focusing on World Rivers. Following extensive Professional Learning throughout the year I have been implementing the Science of Reading concept of Core Knowledge. The Science of Reading is an evidence-based approach that focuses on how children learn to read, emphasising skills like phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension. Core Knowledge units are structured, content-rich lessons that build knowledge across subjects like history, science, and literature, helping children make connections and deepen their understanding. Together, these methods support a strong foundation in literacy and learning. They have been loving learning about different rivers around the world while also building their literacy skills.

Over the past few weeks, the Year 5 and 6 students have been learning about puberty as part of their health lessons. They've explored the physical changes that come with puberty, like growth spurts and changes in appearance, as well as the emotional and social shifts, such as mood swings and developing new relationships. They have been very receptive to this sensitive information, showing a thoughtful approach and engaging in respectful discussions. It's a crucial time for them to understand these changes, and I encourage you to continue the conversation at home to support their growing awareness and confidence.

Year 3 and 4 students have investigated Sustainability in Australia this term, including current waste disposal methods around the world and compared modern-day land management techniques with that of Australia's Indigenous Peoples. In the coming weeks, students will extensively discuss the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) to give them a greater understanding of the purpose of such techniques as well as ways they can contribute to waste reduction and management.

This term, Year 5 and 6s are learning about Economics and Business, focusing on how societies allocate resources to meet their needs and wants. They've explored key concepts like scarcity, consumer choices, and the factors that influence decision-making. They have

been examining the difference between needs and wants and understanding how decisions are made in an economy. Through activities, discussions, and assessments, our class is developing a strong foundation in economic principles that will help them better understand the world around them.

The real highlight of this term has been camp! I will leave the recap for the Year 6s in this newsletter, but I would just like to thank them for their incredible courage, humour and sense of fun throughout the week. I know they were nervous about going away with 40 kids they didn't know very well but I truly think they have all come home with a raft of new friendships that they can



continue to grow at high school next year. They have all grown so much this year and I am so proud of the young people they are becoming! They are well and truly ready to venture down the hill and off to high school!

Finally, on a personal note, I want to let you know that I have accepted a job at Marangaroo Primary School in Perth for 2025, which means I will be finishing up at Dwelly this term. It truly breaks my heart to think about leaving this wonderful school and community. I have loved every minute of my two years here, and making this decision has been incredibly difficult for me. As some of you may know, my grandmother became very ill last term, and I realized I was just too far from family when things went wrong. I really wish I could pick up Dwelly and move it closer to them so I could have the best of both worlds. While I hope this is just a "see you soon" and not a final goodbye, I won't be returning to teach at DPS next year. But don't worry - you won't be getting rid of me that easily! I plan to come back for events like Log Chop, ANZAC Day, and others throughout the year. I'll also be making the most of my final weeks here in this town that has made me feel so welcome and truly part of the Dwelly family.

Thank you for the last two years - they've been some of the best of my life.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to pop in and say hello in the mornings or after school or drop me an email at stephanie.fisher@education.wa.edu.au

Kind regards,

Miss Fisher

A Word from the Chaplain

As chaplains we often rely on community grants and donations for equipment and resources that enable us to work effectively and efficiently in our schools. Recently some of the chaplains in our local schools received a grant from PEACH to purchase IT equipment. I was fortunate to receive a keyboard for my iPad, which makes it a lot easier to type up case notes and to manage records and emails. A special thank you to Alcoa employees past and present who donate to PEACH - Personnel Employed at Alcoa Charity Help.



The mini quiches have been a popular item at Breakfast Club and some parents and students have asked for the recipe. Give them a try as they are simple to make and freeze well.

Breakfast Club Mini Quiches-makes 24 mini guiches

Ingredients

3 sheets of puff pastry 1/2 cup diced ham or bacon

1 cup of milk 1/2 finely chopped brown onion or

1 cup of shredded cheese 3 finely chopped spring onions

4 large eggs salt and pepper to taste

Add other vegetables you like such as 2-3 tablespoons of frozen corn kernels, parsley, peas, mushrooms, chopped spinach or chopped tomato.

Spray 2 non-stick muffin pans with cooking oil spray. Cut 24 rounds of pastry using an 8 cm cookie cutter. Press pastry into muffin tins. With a fork lightly mix eggs, milk, cheese, ham or bacon, onions, salt and pepper and any other vegetables you have chosen to add. Fill pastry shells with the egg mixture and bake in a preheated 180 degrees Celsius oven for about 20 minutes until the surface is golden brown. Quiches will puff up and then sink as they cool.

MURRAY YOUTH FORUM

While all the year sixes were on camp the year five took their place to go to the Murray youth forum. It was held on the twenty eighth of October at the Pinjarra heritage train station building.

At 10:00 we had the opening presentation, where the shire of Murray opened the event and welcomed the participants. At 10:10 am we had our first exercise. Where we had to brainstorm creative ideas and dreams for the youth in the shire of Murray. At10:30 am we were provided with morning tea. At 10:50 we went on to our second exercise: Plan your project. With the guidance from the staff from the shire of Murray, participants began delving into the world of budgeting and detailed event planning. Participants are given a budget for their event and start planning. At 10:30 am we were provided with lunch where we had pizza. At 12:00 pm we had our third exercise: prepare your pitch, this is where we put together visual aids, select your speakers and put together a speech to sell our idea to a panel of judges. At12:15 we had our fourth exercise: presentation to judges, this is where we present our idea and speech to the judges who desired who will win. We then had a small snack of chips and a juice box.

The Winner Was Pinjarra High school! Who did a silent disco!

Written by Ambrosia Sheridan

YEAR 6 CAMP - ALBANY

(Camp 5/6s North Dandalup and Dwellingup Primary School)

On the first day we drove five hours to Albany it was tiring. First we arrived at Williams and had recess, we drove three hours to get to Williams, it was a while. Then we drove until we got to the treetop walk it was 40 metres high it was scary for some of the year sixes. Sadly we missed the alpaca farm because we arrived late at treetops so we couldn't do the alpaca farm. Finally we arrived after a long drive to Albany. We got our bags out of the bus and we were directed to our

dorms. The girls and boys were separated into different dorms and we set up our dorms then chilled for a bit. Soon dinner was served and we had was fish and chips. It was yummy then we had chocolate mousse with sprinkles, it was so yummy. Soon we wrote in our diaries of what happened and we had showers and movie night. We watched Grown Ups 2 and then we went to sleep after a long day.

On the second day, we woke up at 6:45 and the people who set up the tables went to do their job. Then we had breakfast which was toast, cereal, yogurt. Then some of the kids set up bracelets and did bracelets it was fun others played ping pong and fishing sadly was cancelled and we had to do those things. And there was a walk where you go on ropes some of the others did the walk on ropes track. For lunch, we had sandwiches they were really good. Then we went to the ANZAC centre and learnt about war which was sad. We listened through these scanning things that you can listen to and learn



about war stories and we got back to camp had showers, had dinner (butter chicken), after dinner we did quiz night then went to sleep.



On the third day we went to the historic whaling station and saw their skeletons put up on display it was really cool we watched a 3D movie but it wasn't 3D it was no different with the glasses on. Then we went on a boat that was on the sand it was so cool we loved it then it went to lunch and we had sandwiches again. After lunch we went to the gift shop to buy what we could buy with our money then we left the historic whaling station. We were meant to go to the wind farm but we didn't have time. After that we had dinner which was spaghetti bolognaise with garlic bread it was so yummy everyone loved it. Then we had showers and games night. We did

hockey with toilet paper rapped up and pool noodles as sticks then went to sleep.

On the fourth day we woke up, again had toast, cereal, yogurt. After breakfast we went into our groups and went to do archery and canoeing for some of the students they fell in the water off their canoes. There were these weird looking flowers in the water. After that we all went swimming in the beach it was fun. We had lunch which was sandwiches again and after that we chilled for a while and then dinner came. It was chicken schnitzels and wedges, yummy. We had concert night were kids acted their plays then we went to bed.

On the last day we had breakfast and then we packed up to leave and we had to make our sandwiches for when we drive back. Then we left the camp, on our way back to Dwellingup we stopped at Kojonup for some lunch and continued on our way. We listened to music on the bus and eventually at about 4 O' clock we arrived back at school.

Written by Breanna Reid





Dwellingup Primary School - Standing Tall and Proud

INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

- North Dandalup 18th October

This year, we combined with Jarrahdale Primary School to make the DJ team for the Murray Network Inter School Athletics Carnival. While we did have some individual successes, DJ team won the Handicap Shield for the best result based on enrolment size and we have a nice shiny shield to show off for our efforts! The highlight for myself was

seeing how freely our students mixed with students from other schools, making new friends and being able to form effective teams having never met them before.

Boys Intermediate Triple Jump - Byron Alers 4th Senior Boys Throw - Alby Birmingham 4th Senior Girls Throw - Ambrosia Sheridan 4th Senior Girls Long Jump - Anika Vanelst 4th Senior Boys 400m - Alby Birmingham 4th Junior Boys 50m - Vinnie Bell 4th Senior Girls 400m - Pearl Sheridan 3rd Junior Boys Long Jump - Byron Alers 2nd Junior Girls Throw - Mia Rickard-Hall - 1st





BUB'S CLUB

Tuesdays 9:00 - 10:30

We have been offered a rare chance to host the HEART BEAT CLUB who are running a CPR and first aid information session focussing on toddlers and babies. This session is free thanks to sponsorship but we must have parents register to attend for this to go ahead. Please do not wait and register now, so we can ensure this opportunity happens. Nothing is as precious as our young ones. Details below.









Recycling / Charities



That is how many Cans and bottles we have rescued from landfill since Containers for Change started. Special thanks to Mr Warren, Ms Colleen Sing and Mr John Laird who regularly collect the bins and sort the containers ready for pick up. Just at the start of this year, some of this funding was used to run power to Mr Warren's shed. We continue to collect these for future grounds projects so please drop yours into our bins around town.

Please bring in obsolete mobile phones (recycling); batteries (safe disposal); stamps (Rotary sell them for charity and have raised \$90 000 in 23 years); There are collection bins in the passage.



Our students take pleasure in disassembling old electrical items. Metals are identified, sorted and sold for scrap instead of ending up in Landfill. Please contact the school if you have any items to donate. We particularly chase non-ferrous metals such as aluminium and copper.

Special Thanks

We would like to offer a special thank you to Mr Kim Birmingham who brought his tractor to school and helped us move the sand from the long jump pit on the oval to other areas around the school. Mr Warren was especially appreciative that he didn't have to do it by hand.





Scan to find the Murray Youth for Youth Facebook page.





Saturday 2nd December 2023 Dwellingup Primary School

\$10.00 per child – covers a gift, snack, drink and entertainment

Ages 0-12 years only

Registrations close on the 10th November

Due to purchasing and catering no late registrations will be accepted

12.30pm	Santa's drive around town in Mack fire truck
2.00pm	Children arrive at school. Entertainment/craft
3.30pm	Santa arrives
4.00pm	Raffles drawn

Please pay \$10.00 for each child with the registration at the Dwellingup Post Office.

Donations for the raffle are welcome.

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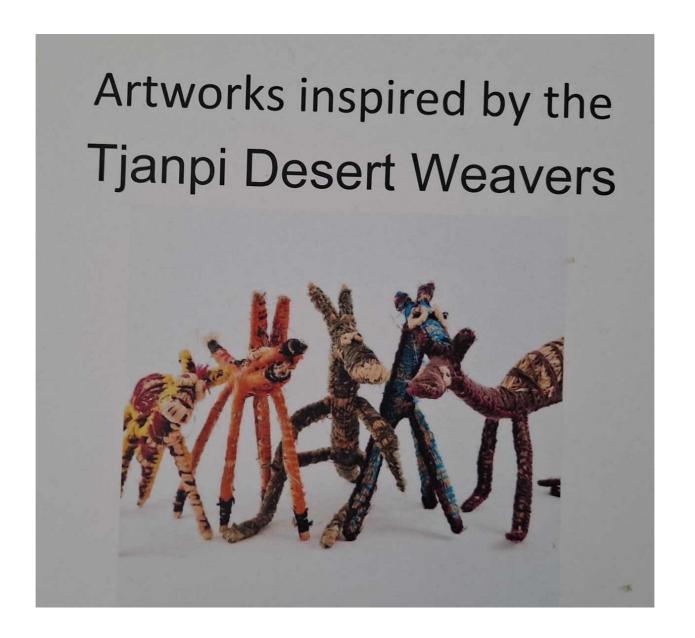
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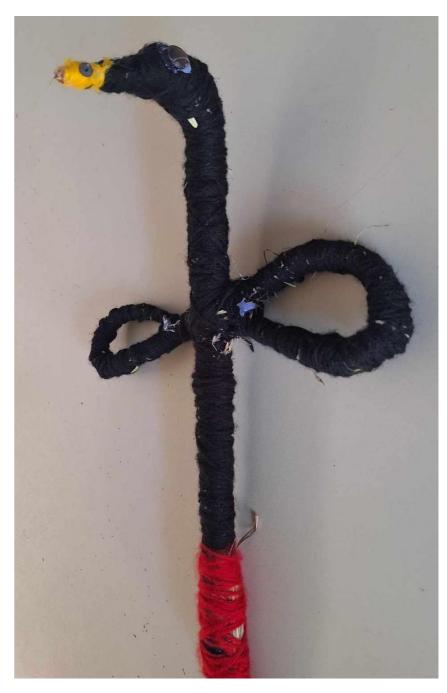
Dwellingup Primary School is very fortunate to have Mrs Shani Holster working with our students. All year they have been doing some amazing art and after this week's assembly, Parents had an opportunity to view an exhibition of their children's work. The centre piece of the collection was the Grass Tree which had been inspired by the work of Sharon Egan which the children from Phascogale class were lucky enough to have seen first hand at Sculptures by the Sea in Cottesloe earlier this year. Students worked on this piece during NAIDOC week as well as creating grass sculptures inspired by the Tjanpi Desert Weavers of Central Australia. Our NAIDOC exhibition was accompanied by a unique sausage sizzle with Crocodile, Buffalo and Emu sausages for all to try. The crocodile sausages were very popular.

Please enjoy below, some samples from the wonderful artworks on display. As you will see, the use of textures and experimentation is of a very high level. We have some amazing talent at DPS!!!









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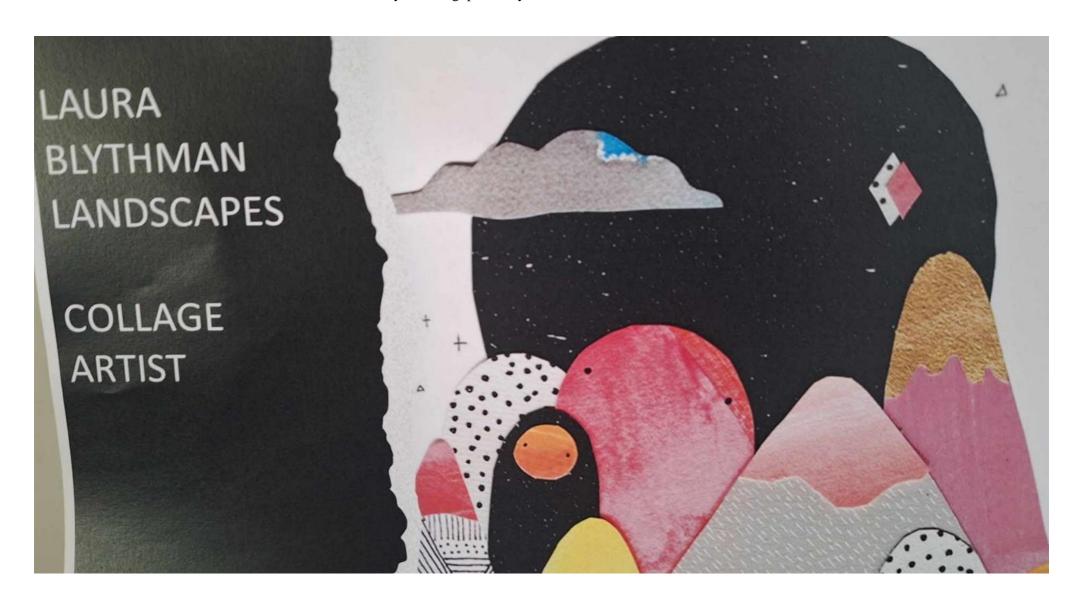
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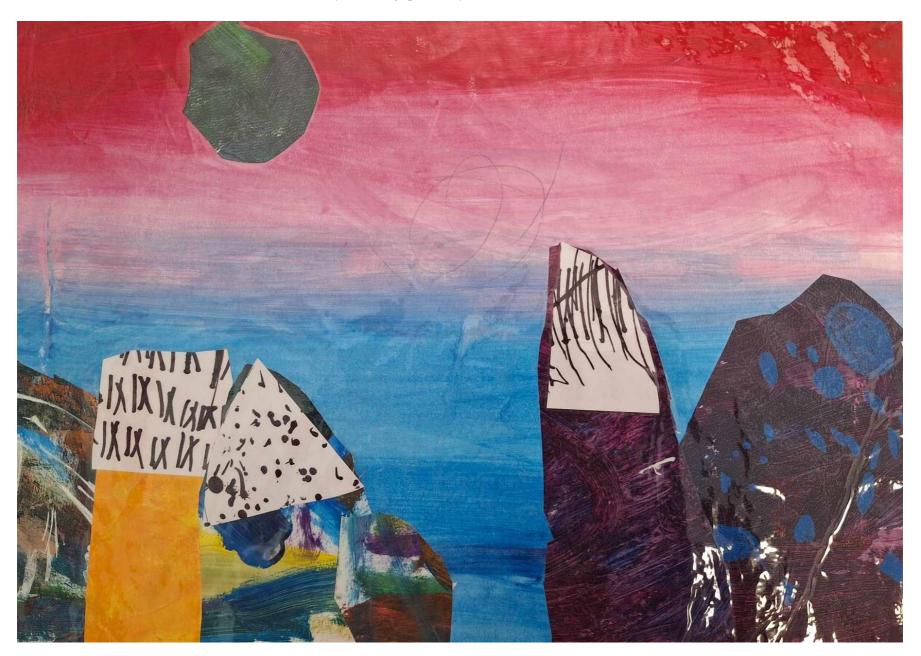


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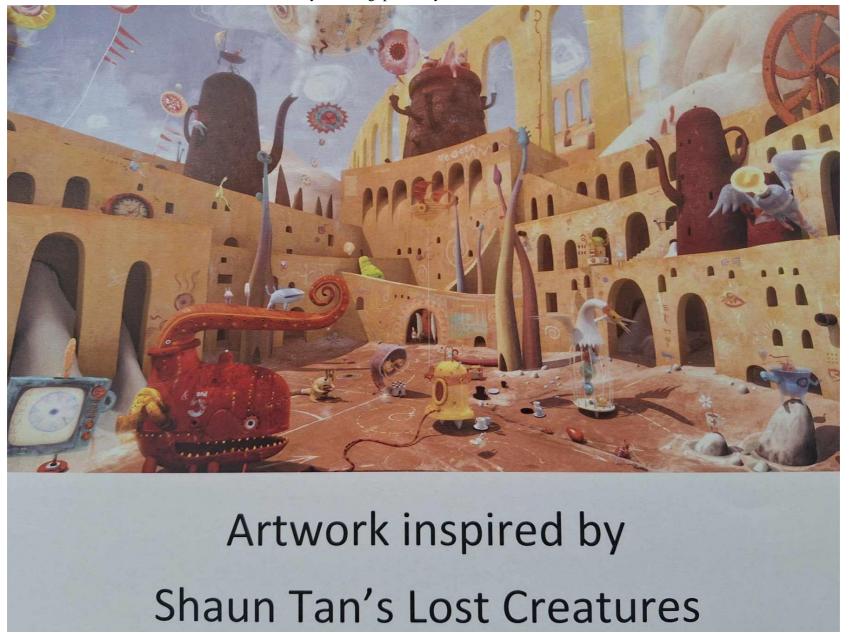
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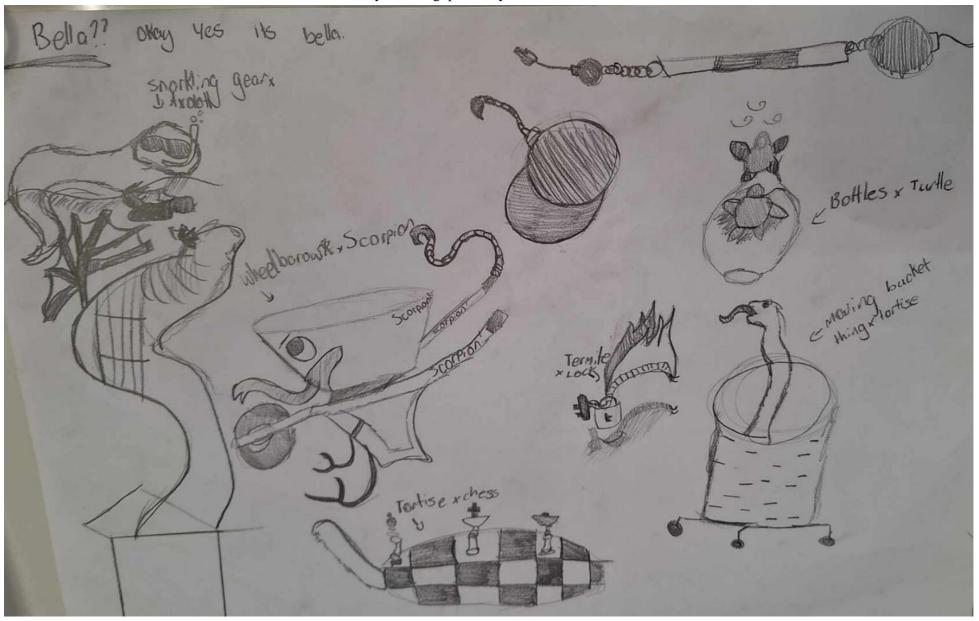
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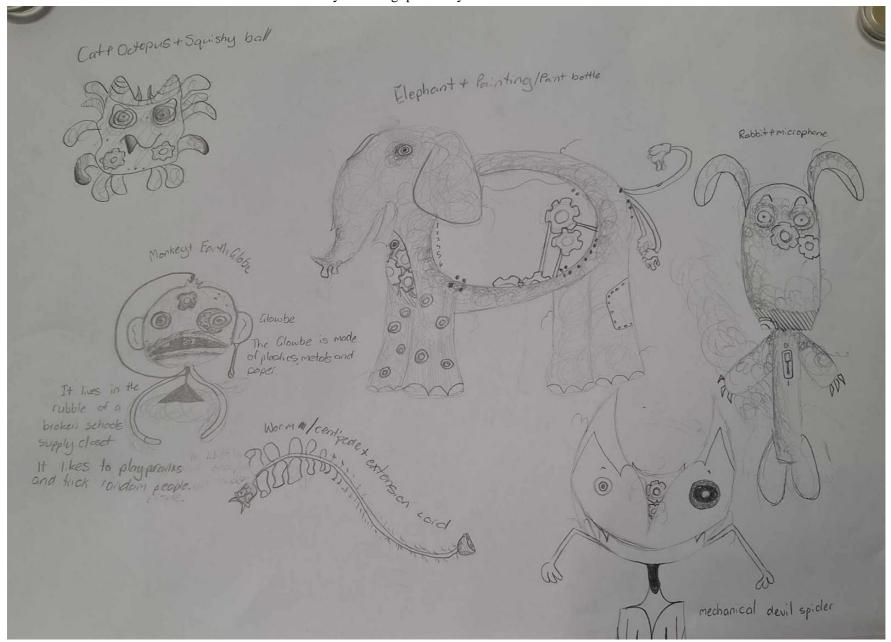
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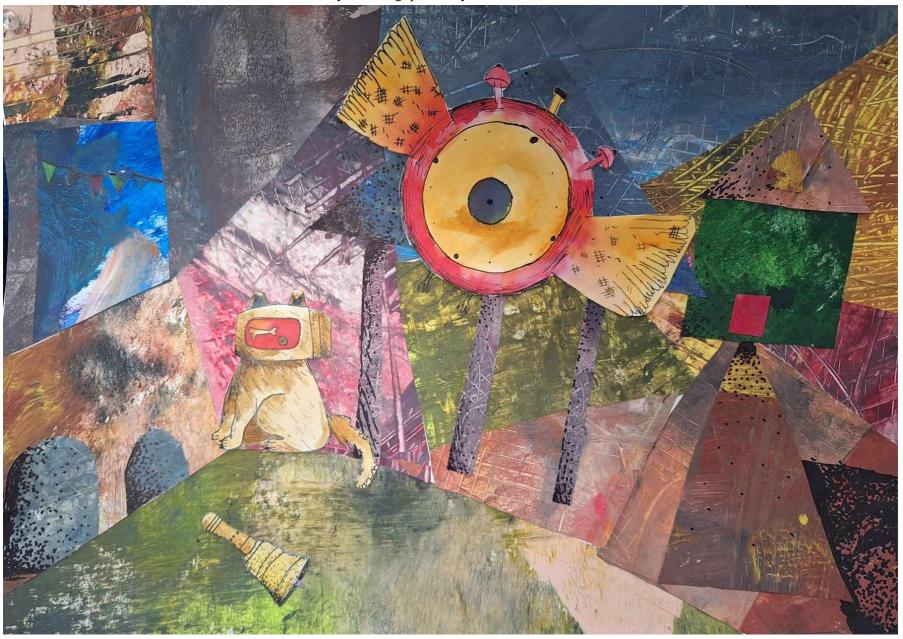
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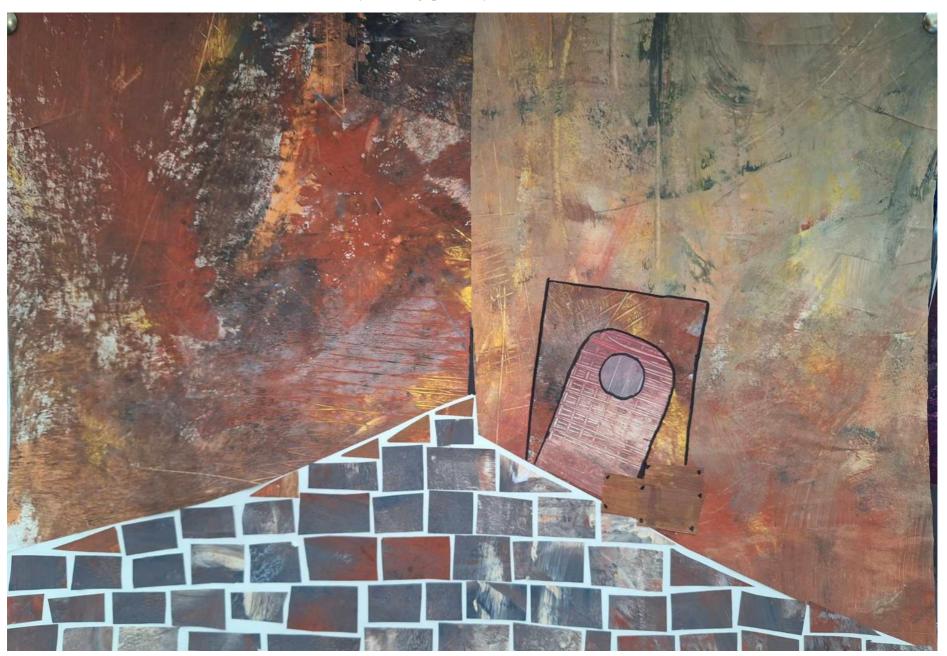


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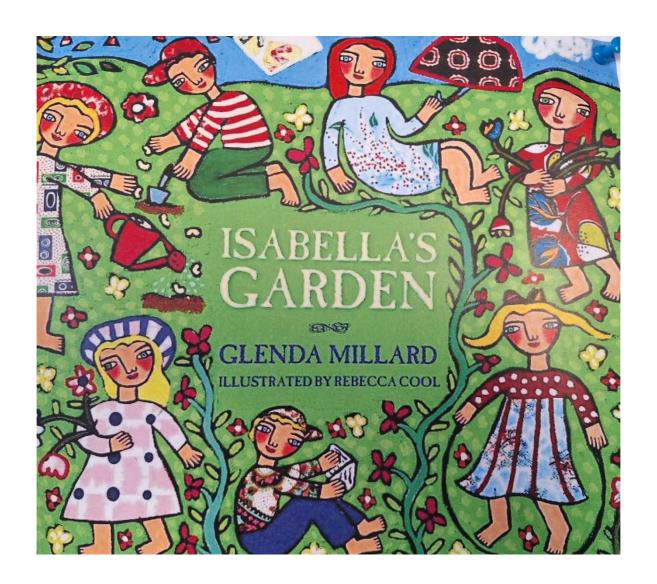
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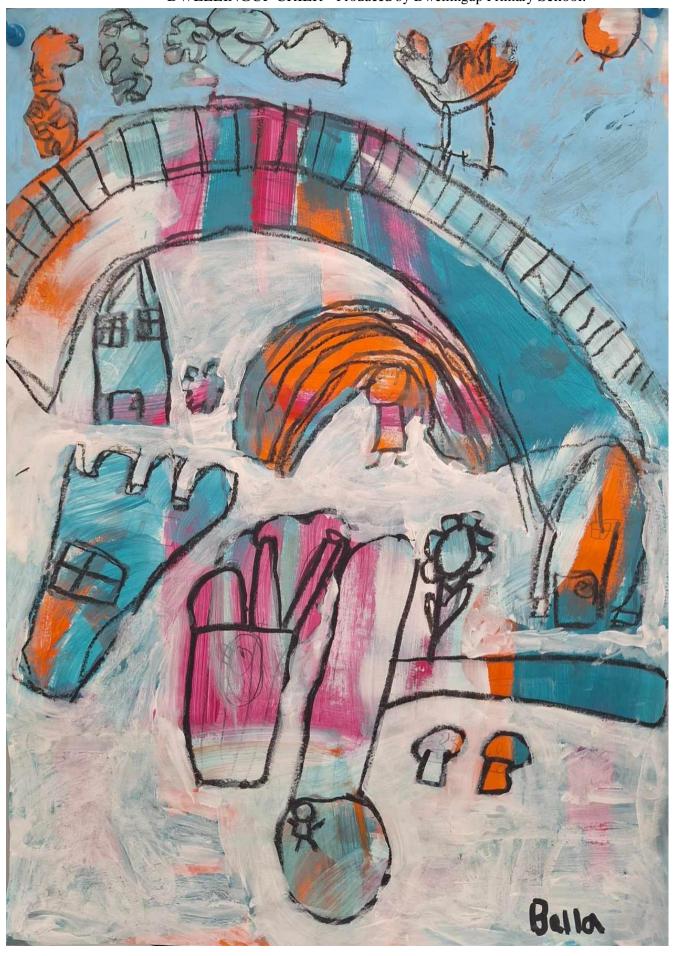


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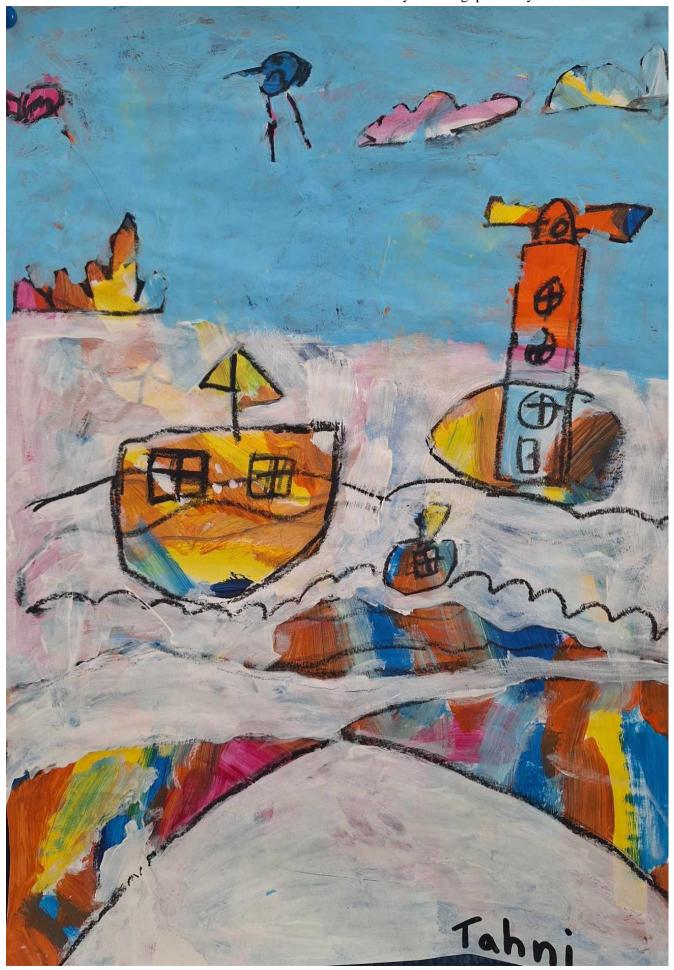
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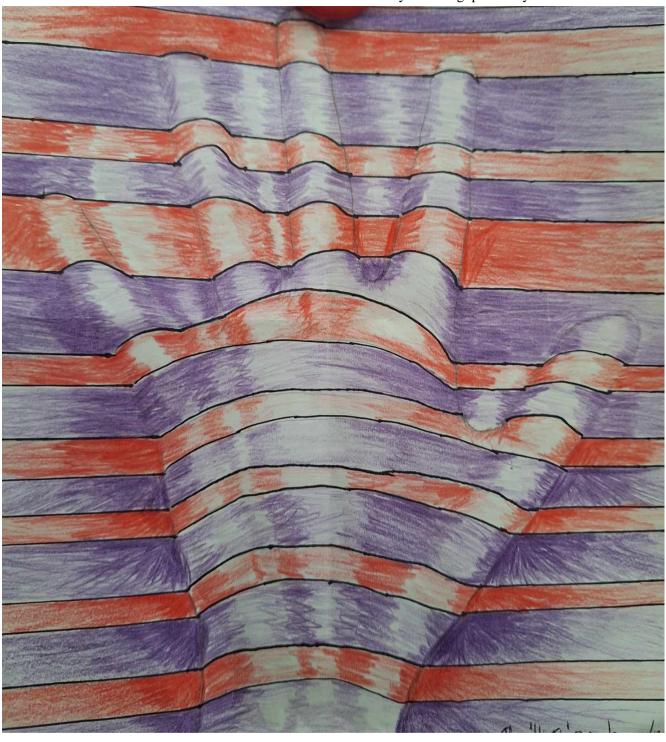
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