



**MILDURA WEST
PRIMARY**
INTERNATIONAL
BACCALAUREATE
SCHOOL



WEEK 10

NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Thank you so very much.

A very, very BIG THANK YOU for your support this term.... this year.... last year and throughout the entire pandemic!!

It's been a huge challenge for everyone. We've built a terrific partnership though. This is important, because we all know that when parents and teachers work together, the outcomes are positive – for the child and for the school culture. Research clearly demonstrates the significant influence of parents over their children's engagement with learning, and over their children's educational achievements. So, Thank You West Parents, Carers, Families and Friends, for caring for our children during this Remote Learning period.

I would also like to thank the MWPS staff who have shown amazing resilience and professionalism throughout. I am very proud of our West Team, but COVID has shown how incredible they really are.

Thank you, West Staff.

And finally, thank you TO OUR fantastic Kids who have had to endure such an unsettled time but shown such resilience.

Anne

School iPads

A big thank you for returning the school iPad. We do still have some iPads that haven't been returned and many chargers missing.

Could you please check if you have one and return it when you can?



UNIT OF INQUIRY – MINI BEASTS

The Grade 1s and 2s have had a busy term of learning. Teachers and children were so happy to be back at school this last week. We have been learning all about 2D and 3D shapes in Maths. The students have loved learning all about Minibeasts in their **Unit of Inquiry**. We have learnt a lot of facts including, how they do not have a backbone, how some live on land and some in the sea and also about their lifecycle.



"Minibeasts have a life cycle. I didn't realise about the different life cycle stages with animals. Some have 4 stages, some less and some more."

Indi, grade 2



"I loved learning about minibeasts and their life cycles. A praying mantis has three stages, an egg, a nymph and an adult."

Michael, grade 1



"I liked learning about butterflies. When they are in a group, they're called a kaleidoscope."

Alirah, grade 2

Resilience

Respect

Excellence

Pride

GRADE 1/2 UNIT OF INQUIRY



"It felt gross and foamy, but I like it".

Adam Gr 1N



"I learnt that minibeasts have abdomens".

Luke Gr 1A

"I learnt that some minibeasts have antennae".

Alivia Gr 1A



"I loved squishing the shaving cream. It felt wet and weird".

Blake Gr 1A

UNIT OF INQUIRY – MINI BEASTS

"We did an inquiry into minibeasts. I made a dragonfly, and they help us by eating mosquitos".

- **Indianna**

"I made a caterpillar. Their life cycle goes from egg to caterpillar to chrysalis to butterfly".

- **Noah**

"This is an ant. If the girl ant has the right DNA, she can become the Queen and produce thousands of eggs daily!" - **Xavier**



PREP UNIT -" WHY ARE YOU HAPPY TO BE BACK AT SCHOOL?"



PREP S:

- ❖ We can play with our friends and see all our teachers. - **Lilly**
- ❖ I love learning - **Lexie**
- ❖ I can play with all my friends and learn more Maths - **Toby**
- ❖ Seeing all my friends and playing on the playground. I like writing. - **Bobby**

PREP T:

- ❖ I get to see my friends - **Ashlyn**
- ❖ I get to see Maya and Alana - **Charlotte**
- ❖ So I can make new friends – **Evie**
- ❖ I've been so excited to see my friends and my teacher - **Maya**



PREP UNIT -" WHY ARE YOU HAPPY TO BE BACK AT SCHOOL?"



PREP L:

- ❖ Getting to see my friends again - **Graicii**
- ❖ Getting to see my friends and Lynelle - **Lucy**
- ❖ Getting to read REAL books - **Blair**
- ❖ Coming back to my friends and my learning - **Marlee**
- ❖ Seeing my friends everyday again! - **Havannah**



PREP P:

- ❖ Seeing my friends again – **Emily**
- ❖ I love seeing all my friends again and getting to write lots! - **Audrey**
- ❖ Getting to go back to sport with Sam. - **Findon**
- ❖ Going back to sport! - **Harley**
- ❖ Getting to see all my teachers again! - **Ashton**



UNIT OF INQUIRY – MINI BEASTS

“I have liked this Unit of Inquiry because we got to learn cool facts. I will leave a minibeast in my house or I would get some paper and take it outside. We should not kill them because they help us” - **Jimmy C**



“I learnt that a bee can help get honey for us. We should not let it sting us because it will die.” – **Blake**



16th September 2021

Important Dates

17th September

- Last day Term 3
- Early dismissal 2.15pm

4th October

- Term 4 begins