



YAAPEET

RESPECT, HONESTY,

PERSISTENCE,

ACHIEVING PERSONAL BEST

Principal's Message

It's getting hot out there! Our students are slip, slap, slopping their way into the days in their 30s as our families begin to harvest their crops. The kids have enjoyed getting back to school these past two weeks after public holidays and curriculum days. The weather allowed us to get out into the scrub for Science. Mrs Allan has been taking them out to tennis which sometimes needs to happen in the morning to avoid the heat. Students have been making great gains working towards their reading goals and we are very impressed with how they work towards their target. We have continued our work in the learning pit and students are improving on seeking the help they need to get themselves out of the learning pit but also feeling more confident about being in the learning pit.

Zeke Pottage / Acting Principal

STEAM Program

Another few weeks full STEAM ahead! As part of our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) work this term the students have been applying their knowledge of Biology in Art projects. Weaving the curriculum like this makes the most of a shortened learning period and allows students to deepen their knowledge in both Science and Art as they make connections across learning areas. The Scientific artwork that the students have created shows an exceptional knowledge of both learning areas, Science and Art.

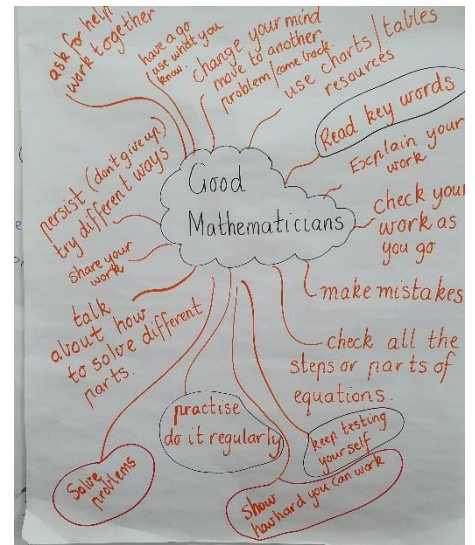


WHAT DO GOOD MATHEMATICIANS DO?

After drilling down into our data on how our students learn, we noticed that our students would benefit from making better connections with how maths is used in the real world. When we asked our students where do we use maths in the real world, they told us in a maths test! We are now on a mission to show



our students where we find maths in all aspects of our daily life, from making biscuits in division, to understanding a graph in the US election results - Maths is all around us and we want our students to see this!

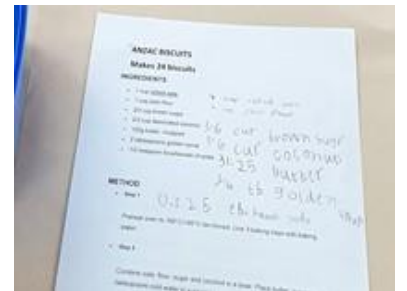


DIVISION BISCUITS



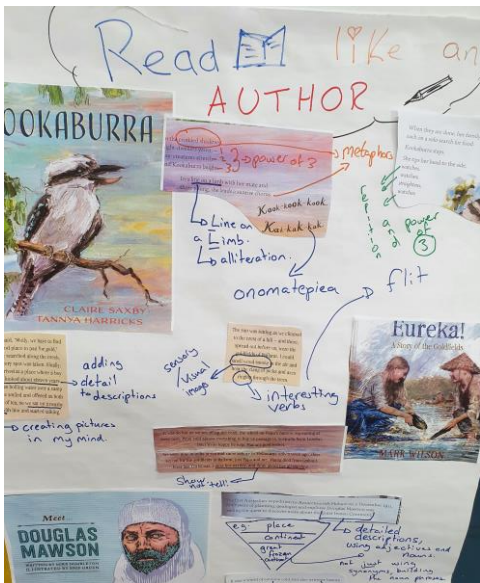
As part of our work as developing mathematical thinking the

students cooked ANZAC biscuits this week. The senior students had to work out how to halve and quarter fractions before they could correctly create a recipe. The junior students had to work out how to share biscuits evenly and what to do with leftovers or remainder biscuits. We used the half and quarter cups to teach the students what happens to fractions as they get smaller. There was some confusion initially about the number at the bottom (denominator) getting smaller but as we



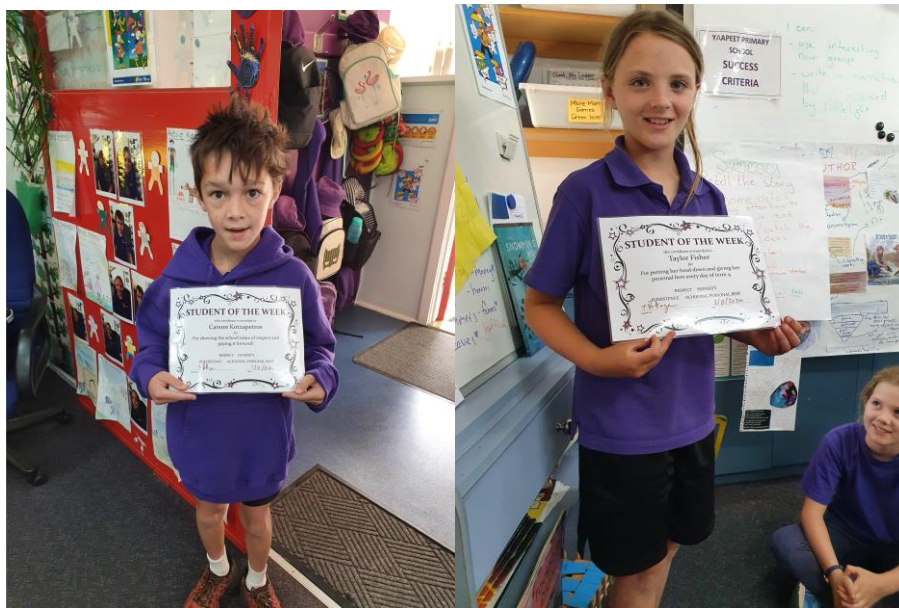
cooked students began to see that four quarter cups make up one cup, the teaching began to be more meaningful to them.

READING LIKE AN AUTHOR



In our writing program we have been learning to read like and author. Students have been supported to look at how good writers use strategies to craft their writing. In the junior years we have been paying attention to features like repetition, rhyme and alliteration. The seniors have been noticing features such as interesting verbs, metaphorical language and onomatopoeia. Students use these features to improve the writing they have done and be supported by high level examples in the work they create. The result has been some terrific quality of work and some deep thinking about the difference between how we write and how we speak.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS (PICTURED ABOVE) FOR THEIR HARD WORK IN THE DARKEST DEPTHS OF THE LEARNING PIT AND EMBODYING THE SCHOOL VALUES.

Congratulations to all students of YPS for your effort and achievements over these past two weeks- I have consistently observed the school values throughout our lessons and play times.

YAAPEET PRIMARY ONLINE

If you missed it, Yaapeet primary is online. Thanks to those people who have jumped on to say hello. Once again, we are keen for the whole world to know how fantastic our school is, so if you love us leave a ★★★★★ review on Google or Facebook! You can visit our school website at: yaapeetps.vic.edu.au



UPCOMING DATES

Sports Day with Beulah, 16th of November
Parent Teacher Interview, 7th of December
Camp Cooriemungle, 14th, 15th and 16th of December
School Council BBQ, 17th of December
End of term (early finish), 18th of December

COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOL

School Phone Numbers:

Landline: (03) 53957260 / School Mobile - 0401 900 960

Website: <http://www.yaapeetps.vic.edu.au/>

Please note: If Yaapeet experiences a power outage our landline phone line is non-operational, please ring mobile.

Important Websites for all updates on COVID-19:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/>

Please do not hesitate to make contact with the school if you are in need for support, we will do our best to support you and/or connect you to external agencies within our community.