

Specialists - Spotlight On Learning



Physical Education



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During Physical Education lessons, kindergarten students learn and practice improving their fundamental movement skills through a range of activities during rotations. The skills and technique learnt align with year 1 to 6 and include: running, catching, balancing, kicking plus more.

Students in Year 1 to 6 have been focussing on different fundamental movement skills based on the following sports oztag, hockey and soccer.

OzTag: During oztag lessons students practised skills focusing on running, dodging, passing with control and tagging. They played games including tail tag and gateway to enhance their skills before applying them to a game.

Hockey: Much time has been spent learning to control a ball using a hockey stick with correct technique, right hand low, left hand high and shooting goals with power and accuracy. All the classes have enjoyed participating in games using a range of equipment like noodle hockey and slider hockey.

Soccer: As part of our soccer unit, students progressed their skills surrounding dribbling, passing and shooting. Students developed their kicking with control and striking a stationary ball with accuracy. Students thoroughly enjoyed playing raceway to score using the goals and playing a game of soccer.





Japanese 日本語

Term 2 of Japanese at Ngunnawal has been full of fun and learning. It has been fantastic to see the Japanese room filling up with students coming for Japan club at lunch on Wednesdays!

Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1 and 2 have been exploring words from the Japanese version of Eric Carle's "The Very Hungry Caterpillar". Students explored how to say which fruits they like and what fruit or food they ate on each day of the week. Each class made a class book about all the things the Hungry caterpillar has eaten and is working on making their own version with a different animal next.



Year 3 and Year 4

Year 3 and 4 have been talking about school life in Japan and many students found it interesting to learn about compared our lunch 給食 *kyuushoku* or school lunch in Japan. Students are currently working on finishing their good copy of some fantastic letters to pretend penpals in Japan. They have been building their confidence with hiragana characters.



Year 5 and Year 6

Year 5 and 6 have been investigating traditional stories and fairytales from Japan.. Students have spent the last few lessons writing their own and working on how to use dictionaries online to find words they don't know. The good copy books are going to look great! They have also been working hard using a variety of ways to practise their hiragana characters.



Congratulations to those who have already achieved their black belt and know their hiragana.

がんばってください *ganbatte kudasai* (Do your best)

フィオナ 先生 (Fiona Sensei)

Spotlight On Music

You can't stop the music at Ngunnawal Primary School!

Musica Viva

This week we welcome Musica Viva group Timmy and the Breakfast band who will be performing in the hall on Tuesday at 12 noon and 1:50pm. Parents and carers of paying students may attend this performance free of charge. Classes from K-6 have been learning how music and sound effects can guide a storyline and make stories more entertaining and memorable. In class students have been creating short musical ideas to reflect happy, sad, surprised and bored emotions. Their work has been truly amazing as they have refined ideas using the glockenspiels.



IMP band program

The Year 6 band have been playing at all of our school assemblies this year and their performance skills are excellent. Songs they enjoy playing are Star Wars, The Forge of the Vulcan and Ghost Busters.

Our Year 6 band students are also working towards receiving their band trophy at the Year 6 graduation by collecting music merits each week by helping set up and pack up the band, regular home practice and attending band lessons with everything they need!

The Year 5 band has formed, and our students are enjoying learning their new instruments.

We have 4 percussionists, 8 flutes and 11 clarinets. Later in term 2, 3 students from the clarinet section will step up to bass clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone to fill out the woodwind sound.

Jacinta and David from IMP lead the bands during our Wednesday and Friday lessons.

Year 5 band students can already play 6 notes and several familiar tunes like Merrily and Hot Cross Buns which they will perform at an assembly towards the end of term.

On Monday Week 7 the Year 5 band will travel to Palmerston for their first combined rehearsal.

Spotlight on Visual Art

Following on from term 1, our K-6 visual art students have been producing some beautiful and impressive creations. Using their environment for inspiration, they have found objects and mixed media to capture and express the sensations of what it's like to experience the sounds, smells, sights and feelings of being in our Ngunnawal Primary School Garden spaces.





