Year 5 complete first year of debating

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 5 overcame many distractions and became engrossed in preparing for their last debate. The topic they chose was “Primary students should be allowed to use social networking sites.” Ladysmith team were negative.

Georgia, Riley and Joannah, with the guidance of Riley Whiting, got their arguments sorted then they rebutted the opposition - Kooringal.

The students really exhibited growth and indicated they have learnt so much this year.

Congratulations for taking these new experiences to learn, collaborating and using your learning muscles to grow in many different ways.

Round 4 Here We Come!!!

Thanks to the awesome coaching provided by Brendan, the team were victorious in Round 3 of the PSSA Small Schools knockout meaning they have qualified for round 4.

Our team really showed what they have learnt over the past few weeks, in the second half of this game. The attackers passed the ball out wide, across the goal and shot many goals. The defenders retrieved the ball on many an occasion, clearing it out of the centre and Lachlan started to dive, slide and throw the ball.

Congratulations on a wonderful win, 6-5 against Bemboka.

Thankyou to the support team of parents who really encouraged all the players and helped the team celebrate.

Go to our website to see more photos.

Next game: Monday 26th August—11.00am at Cootamundra; vs Binalong PS.

Community Welcome

Thank you to every family who contributed to our welcoming dinner for the Bemboka students, parents and teachers. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to mix and mingle, renew friendships and make new ones. Thank you to all the cooks for an excellent feast.

Science

Primary students have been building their learning power this week through experiments which have been completed in pairs or threes. By stretching their collaborative muscles, amazing team efforts are occurring.

Science experiments mean asking questions, making links to prior knowledge, noticing what is happening and revisiting data to write conclusions.

On Wednesday, the students will attend the Science Investigation awards at CSU to gain more insight into the world of science.
Our week ended with a display from the Wagga Model Aeroplane group. This was a culminating event for our unit on flight for science month.

The students were given an opportunity to drive a plane through a simulator, observe model planes being flown and a jet plane running.

A new dimension was added to AASC last week with orienteering. Year 4/5/6 were given maps, a registering tag and off they went. Relay style on Thursday. Great to see kids running all around the playground finding the tags set at various positions around the yard.

We will see all our teaching staff participating in some valuable professional development. We are going to participate in some Lesson Studies; this involves observations and professional feedback, discussions and re-teaching. Feedback will be focused on how the students are learning during the lesson and how well the Building Learning Power strategies are affecting the outcomes.

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Cutler participated in a lesson study yesterday and will swap roles next Monday. Mr Morris and Ms Sturman will complete theirs over the next two Wednesdays.

Research shows this type of professional development improves the learning outcomes three-fold, ensuring your children are provided with the best opportunities to learn.

Come along in your old clothes—boots, hats, etc. ready to assist Year 5 with their Enviro project—building bird boxes, planting plants, working on the fish pond etc.

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AASC - Orienteering

How2Learn
Collaborating……

Building Learning Power in our students ensures they will become lifelong learners, and learning with others really enhances growth. Collaborating is a strategy we all need in life. To be able to learn from others, to be able to contribute to a learning situation or to use each other's strengths, builds better relationships, empowers the individual and stretches the brain. This in turn develops deeper understanding, creative results and better outcomes.

This week's How2Learn SUPER STUDENTS—Charlli & Riley Whiting for collaborating in Science Robbie McDougall for questioning

Music Lessons—There will be NO MUSIC LESSONS tomorrow (Wednesday 14/8/13) - makeup lesson will be in Week 9.