

Year 5 Newsletter

15 April 2013

At the end of Term 3 we said farewell to Haru and Mizuki, and welcomed Cara. There are now 27 learners in Year 5 for Term 4.

The new term got off to a busy start with the start of swimming for Term 4, our assembly and class and school photographs.

Year 5 have had a very productive week getting ready for their assembly, during which they shared lots of interesting information about animation. The audience were very intrigued to learn about how our learners created animations, and they enjoyed watching some examples of the learners' animation work.

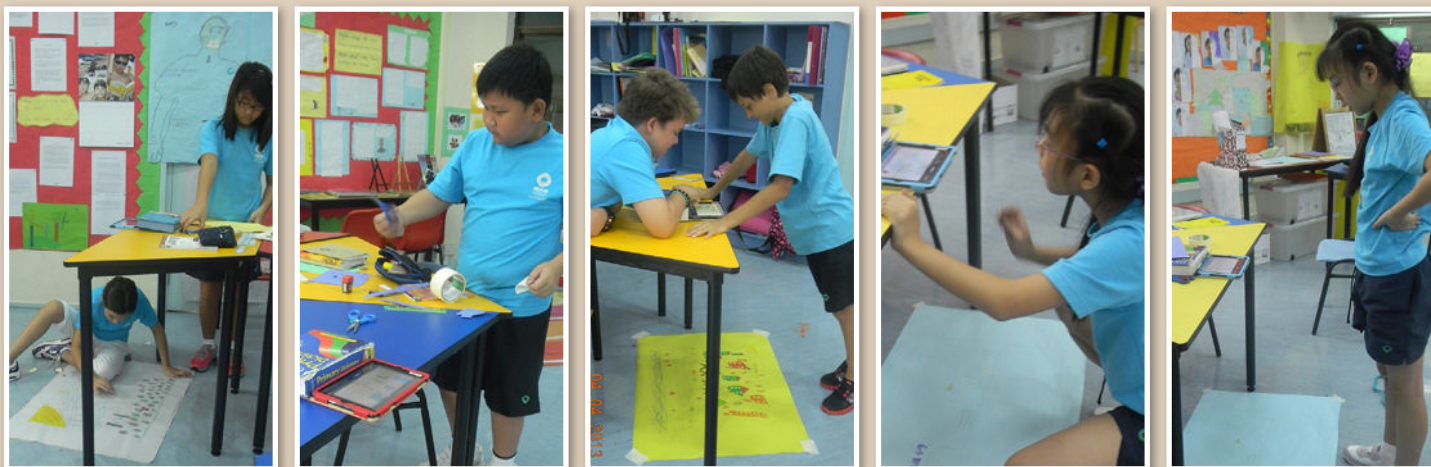


Unit of Inquiry

“Money, Money, Money!” is our next UOI in Year 5. The learners will be looking into the history of currency and then running their own mini-businesses.

Literacy

5LSO have been working enthusiastically on their poetry projects. They started out listening to nursery rhymes and then tried writing their own. They collected their rhymes together and published them in a book which was given as a gift to Ms Bhavana’s KG1 class. After this, the learners had some good fun playing traditional rhyming games. Using this experience they went on to write their own version of Little Red Rhyming Hood in narrative verse. Please visit our class **blog** to view some pictures.



Mathematics

5LSO have been learning about place value and decimal numbers. Following this the learners moved on to finding out about weight in grams and kilograms. This will help them in their upcoming mini-business project as part of their UOI.

5WBR started the term by looking at geometrical language such as parallel and intersecting lines and then moved on to inquiring into different types of triangles. A shared article on Nick D’Aloisio, creator of Summly, sparked an interest in computer coding. Mr Bailey, our ICT integrator, came into the class and helped the learners to understand the basics of computer programming and how binary numbers are used. Homework involves interactive activities on <http://www.studyladder.com.au/>

Reminders:

19 April	Swimming Gala
24 April	Last day of CCAs
25 April	Heroes Concert, 6pm
1 May	Labour Day
4 May	Whole School Beach Clean Up
24 May	Vesak Day