



Hello from Jenny & Karen...

LilyPad News

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Wow....can't believe it is the end of the term already. It certainly has gone quickly.

We began the year having a weekly fine motor play session. By using simple tools like tweezers or tongs to pick up small objects, building with small blocks like Lego and threading and weaving activities all the muscles in our hands, wrists and fingers are strengthened which really improves our cutting and pencil skills. The children rotated through a set of activities so everyone had a chance to experience using the different equipment.



Of course while having fun we also did lots of sorting, classifying and counting!!

In Mathematics we have been busy exploring number and beginning our number sense journey. We went 'number hunting' around our school and found that numbers can be found in many different places. We have been busy counting, subitising, working with number order and using our subitising skills whenever we get the chance!!



With our maths toolkits we brought home last week ...we can practise many of these games with you!!

Look at the concentration on our faces in a play session!!

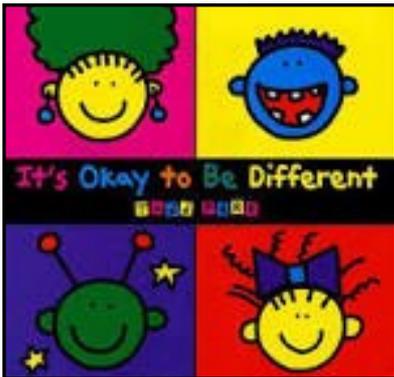




The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence was held on Friday, 17 March 2017. To explore the topic that 'BULLYING is NEVER ok!' we used "The Allen Adventure". It is a fun, interactive story for young children about some serious things - how to tell how others are feeling, how to get on with others, and how to deal with unpleasant or difficult behaviour from other children.



Harmony Day was celebrated on March 21st. We read several stories about diversity...how everyone is different and ways to celebrate that. We wore orange clothes to school, as that is the Harmony Day colour and shared a picnic recess with Kathryn and our buddy class on site west....Jasmine's year 3s.



In Science we have taken a keen interest in the weather. We worked outside and used our senses to observe the unusual weather we have experienced this summer and autumn. We used digital media to watch video clips about how the weather changes throughout the year, as the seasons change. We kept a weather diary on the Smartboard where we recorded the weather everyday for a month. We used symbols like you find on meteorological websites, on the television and in newspapers.



With such a busy term behind us, we are all looking forward to a break. Everyone has settled in well to classroom and school routines and next term will be upon us before we know it.

Enjoy the holidays!!

Regards, Jenny & Karen.

Using our imaginations in a play session!!

