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## Principal's News

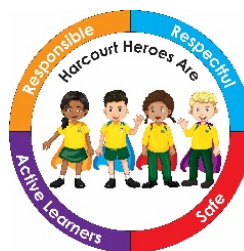
Last week we participated in a PBL celebration day at Harcourt. For the past two years we have been investigating, discussing, collaborating and actioning procedures and signage to promote a consistent and positive learning environment. Whilst we still have more to explore and develop, we felt it was time to celebrate how far we have come and how well we are promoting the positive culture in all areas of the school.

Our special day began with a whole school assembly where Stage One and Stage Two students performed for us. They reminded us of how important it is to be a Harcourt Hero, one which always demonstrates the four expectations. The assembly concluded with a visit from the four mascots seen on the signage around the school and a staff flash mob dance.

During the day students participated in activities that focussed on being responsible, respectful, safe, active learners, enjoyed a picnic lunch and ice block or two thanks to P&C support, and it finished with us all working together to make the letters PBL on the lower grass oval.

The day was a wonderful success which I am sure will forever remain in the memories of students, staff and community, further ensuring we have a positive learning environment where we all feel a sense of belonging and strong connection.

**Jan Holt – Principal**



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### Our Vision:

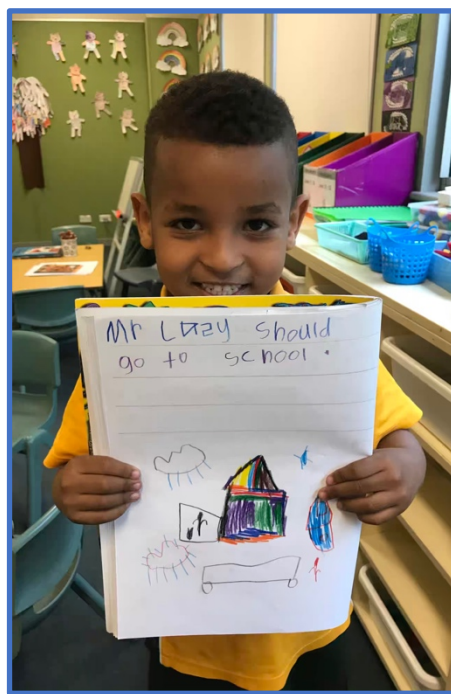
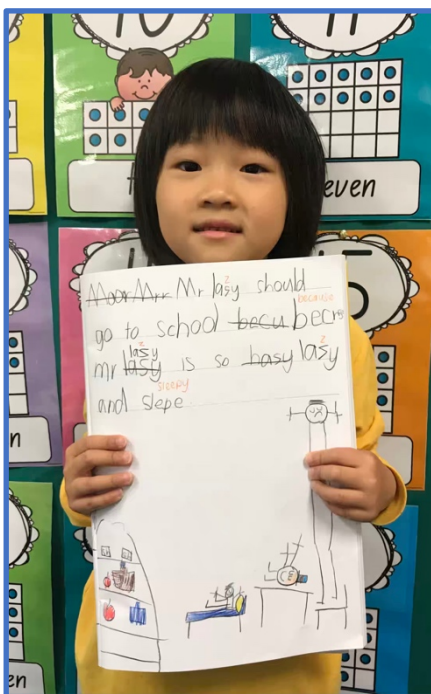
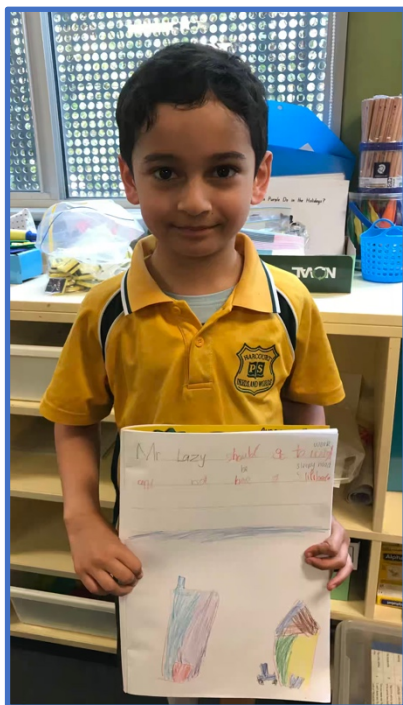
Our learning community at Harcourt Public School is committed to fostering personal excellence. Together we inspire curious, adaptable learners who actively engage in a complex and dynamic world. We value integrity, inclusivity and mutual respect.

# Active Learners in Kindergarten

Term 4 has been extremely busy for us! We were recently visited by Harry and Healthy Harold! We had a lot of fun and learnt about ways we can keep our bodies safe and healthy. To be safe and healthy we need to make sure we eat **healthy food regularly** such as fruits and vegetables and to make sure we **wear a helmet** when we are riding our bikes and scooters!



In Kindergarten, we have been active learners! We have been learning to write simple sentences using capital letters and fullstops.





# Back to the Past for Stage 1

Stage One have been learning about past and present family life, their differences and similarities.

We visited Elizabeth Farm, which is an historic estate in Rosehill. Students discovered what life was like for John and Elizabeth Macarthur and their hardworking servants without the benefits of running water, bathrooms, electricity, modern appliances and paved roads.



Students experienced doing the laundry by hand. They looked at what was growing in the kitchen garden and explored the colonial kitchen to observe how it differs from their own kitchen at home. They also visited the drawing room and main bedroom. They played 19<sup>th</sup> century children's games including hoops, skittles, quoits plus cup and ball. Students practiced using a quill dipped in ink to write their names. Stage One enjoyed going back in time to learn how life was lived in the 1800s.





# Active Learners in Stage 2

Stage Two have been active learners this semester. In Mathematics, students looked at the mass of different items they could buy at the supermarket. Their challenge was to fill their trollies with approximately 1 kilogram of items. Students had a great time learning to weigh objects and read the scales.



Students who attended Life Education met Healthy Harold. The instructor provided engaging and fun activities that students participated in. They had a wonderful time learning about their bodies and ways to stay healthy.

On Friday afternoons, Stage Two students have been enjoying representing the school at Summer PSSA in cricket, T-ball and NRL tag. Year 3 and 4 students also have the opportunity to be in an enrichment group where they have been learning about computer coding, tapestry, video-editing, dance, calligraphy, visual arts and craft.



# Stage 3 News



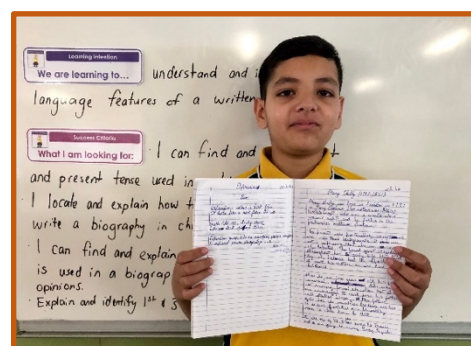
We are half way through our final term for 2019. Our Year 6 students are starting to wave goodbye to Harcourt. They are looking forward to their end of year celebrations and getting prepared for high school. While our Year 5 students prepare to apply to be a member of the Student Leadership Team at Harcourt Public School.



Stage Three are continuing to work hard in Mathematics and are currently focusing on the topic, Data. Students are learning to analyse and interpret graphs, as well as create their own.

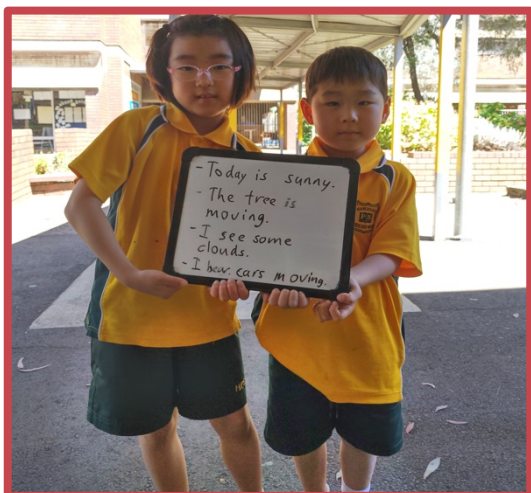


In writing, students are exploring informative texts. They are learning the purpose of a biography and its different features.



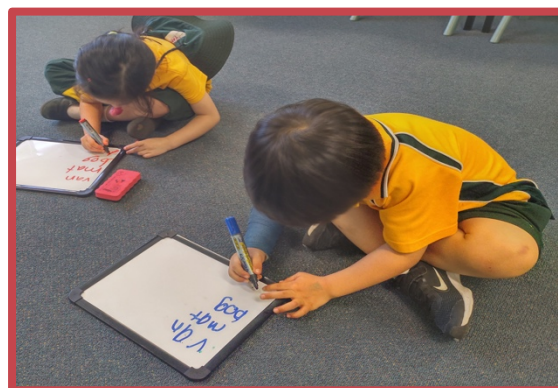


# EAL/D News



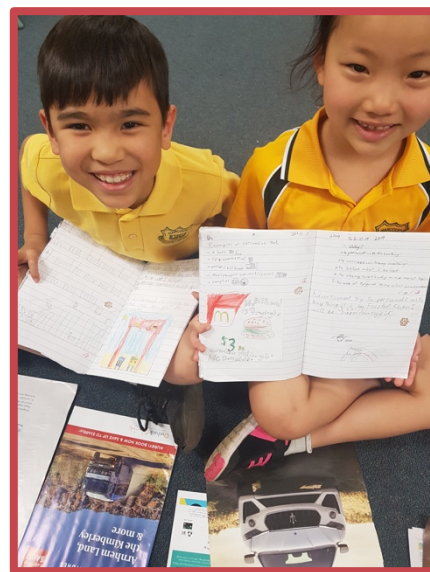
**Kindergarten** have been studying the weather to support their science unit. Here, we went outside, discussed what we know about the weather, in sentences. Look at some of the things we were able to say.

**Kindergarten** have also been learning letters and their sounds, to help with writing. Here we are using this knowledge to write short words with three sounds.



## Stage One

We have been doing persuasive texts. We've been looking at the language of advertisements and how it persuades us to buy things. Here is an advertisement we made.



# Chinese Language Spectacular



Harcourt Public School recently participated in the 2019 Chinese Language Spectacular concert held in October. This event was a joint effort of Confucius Institute at UNSW Australia and the Chinese Language Teachers' Association of NSW.

It provides an artistic platform for all students who are learning Chinese language to showcase their talent. The theme of this year was 'Happy Chinese Learning'.

Students are encouraged to learn Chinese language through singing, acting, drama or play. Our students were part of primary choir that started the show. It was a great experience for our students. They did a fantastic job and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They have made Harcourt proud and are to be congratulated on their outstanding effort.



Congratulations!!!

Alice (5/6B) Joanne (5/6B) Kim (5/6N) Beckii (5/6B) Jenessa (5/6B)  
Nicole (4A) Vivian (4A) Helen (3K) Helena (3/4C) Wendy (3K)







## Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

# Celebration Day!



**On Thursday, week 4** the whole school came together to celebrate how far we have come on our PBL journey over the past two years.

**In the morning** we started with a whole school assembly. Stage one and two performed a heroes song and dance!



**At the assembly** the teachers surprised the school with a flash mob dance to reveal our Harcourt Hero mascots! Our mascots represent our school values: **Responsible, Respectful, Safe, Active Learners**. Great dancing teachers!

**After the assembly** all classes joined in some PBL activities. Here we are working together to keep balls on a giant parachute. Then parents and community joined us for a picnic lunch. Thanks mums, dads and carers for joining us for our celebrations!



**And remember, in the classroom and outside...**

**HARCOURT HEROES ARE**

**Responsible, Respectful, Safe,  
Active Learners**





**SALE**  
**15% OFF**

**HARCOURT PUBLIC SCHOOL  
UNIFORM**

FROM

**20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER TO  
30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019**



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LAY-BUYS AVAILABLE/MOST CREDIT  
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### **BOYS and GIRLS SUMMER UNIFORM**

School short sleeve polo	\$29.95
School shorts	\$32.00
Girls culottes	\$33.00

### **BOYS and GIRLS WINTER UNIFORM**

School jacket	\$54.95
School long sleeve polo	\$33.95
School track pants	\$39.95
Long green pants	From: \$35.00

### **BOYS and GIRLS ITEMS**

White socks	from \$4.00
Black shoes available	

### **RECOMMENDED BUT NOT COMPULSORY**

Girls hair scrunchies	\$5.00
Girls headbands	\$6.50

