



What's been happening in the Akoranga Team?

Chinese New Year Parade

OUR TEAM JOINED THE CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE HELD ON 19TH FEBRUARY AT SCHOOL. WE HAD A GREAT TIME SHOWING OFF OUR COLOURFUL ARTWORK.



On Tuesday 19th February we celebrated Chinese New Year. First we sat in the hall. Then the dragon danced. After that, the dragon led us to the court. All the parents and the whole school sat on the court. Then some people brought the gong and played it and the gong was so loud that the dragon flew away to his dragon world. After that, the whole school went back to their class. I had a good time.

By Mantra

On Tuesday 19th February Edendale School celebrated Chinese New Year with a parade. First we walked to the school hall and sat down noisily. Next two blue butterflies and a dancing dragon came on stage. It danced out of the hall and away to the courtyard. We followed the dragon there and sat down when we got there. Then some Year 6's played on some drums and someone hit a gong. After that all of us left.

By Edie

This year Akoranga and Atawhai are trialling Seesaw to share and communicate with our Years 2-3 families. This is a student-driven online journal where your child and teacher will at times post and share what they are learning at school with you at home. Seesaw is private; you'll only see posts created by your child. Please feel free to write comments about your child's successes on their posts as they will enjoy reading these. If you have any questions around Seesaw please talk to your classroom teacher.



NETBALL SEASON IS COMING UP

Junior netball information was emailed out last week. If your child is interested, forms need to be printed out and returned to Melody Yong in Room 4 by Friday 15th March. Physical copies are available at the office.





Play-based Learning

We need your help in collecting resources. Throughout the year, we will be learning through play by working together, problem solving, developing ideas and being creative to use objects in different ways. We need you to help your child to collect some of these resources that might be useful. Please do NOT BUY any of these resources. Let your child have fun finding these things around the house that may be useful.



Examples of these resources:

- boxes, cartons, cardboard, unwanted CDs/ DVDs
- ladders, planks, tubes (e.g. from fabric rolls, wrapping paper, ribbon reels, aluminium foil, paper towels etc, NO toilet rolls).
- old blankets, hessian, ropes, carpet, unused fabric, buttons
- dress-up clothes, lego, building blocks, train tracks etc
- natural materials such as logs, flax, driftwood, stumps, rocks.



THANK YOU

Thank you for supporting your children in their homework. Please continue to do so. Children have been very enthusiastic with their spelling and maths facts. Please remind your child that their notebook and reader must be brought to school in their book bag everyday.

A big thank you to the PTA for purchasing two large umbrellas for our courtyards.



- Friday 15th March - Last day for Junior Netball forms
- Sunday 24th March - Colour Run
- Friday 12th April - Last day of Term 1
- Monday 29th April - First day of Term 2

Also, please note that there is no swimming for Years 2-3 during weeks 7-10 (11 March - 5 April). Some classes may have a final session in week 11 (8 -12 April).



OBSERVING ICE

Observing Ice

When we got the ice it felt cold and when I dropped it the ice cracked into 2 pieces. If you throw it hard it will crack into 3 pieces. If you leave it still for about 20 minutes it will turn into water.

By Sammy



Observing Ice

Room 1 got ice from Miss Roil. When I touched the ice it was cold and shimmering in my hand. I picked the ice up from the ground and held it in my fingers, they felt numb! When I scratched the cold ice on the ground it turned into a puddle.

By Casey

Observing Ice

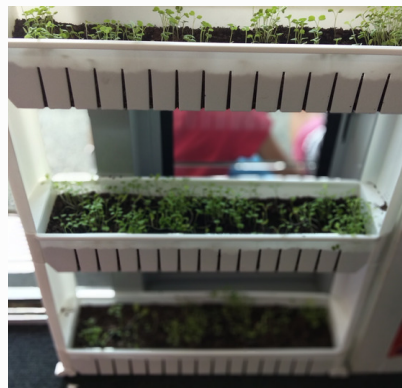
Miss Roil handed out the ice. It was very cold and I had to put it beside me on the bench. When we went and played with the ice it was slippery and it made our hands go numb. Inside the ice looked like snowy trees. It melted quickly in our hands because our hands were warm.

By Zara



PLANTING SEEDS

We learnt how to plant lettuce seeds. We learnt that seeds need water, sun, air, soil and love to grow.



With a little bit of love!



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