

Welcome

Wow, what a great start to 2019. It was wonderful hearing about everyone's school holidays and meeting our new children and families.





1000 Paper Cranes



This term the children's love of origami inspired our decision to make paper cranes.

The children gained an insight into the story of Sadako Sasaki and the legend behind making 1000 paper cranes. The children really enjoyed this story and were determined to make their wishes come true.. I then showed the murals in Japan with the paper cranes and suggested that we design our own.

Amelie asked what we would do with all of the paper cranes once we had made 1000 and we decided to make our own mural. I believe the children are dedicated to reaching their goal by term 3 and are very excited to achieve their dream.

For the love of cooking

This term we enjoyed Pancake day, the children cracked eggs, poured milk, flour, melted butter and stirred through choc chips to make pancakes.

In the following weeks we followed the children's requests to make cookies (twice 😊), pizza scrolls and apple roses,

The older children took charge in gathering and writing the recipes and then continued to support the younger children in cooking their dishes.

Cooking has been a great way to learn about other



traditions.



Harmony Day

With the success of last year's Banner (Everyone Belongs here) we decided to do another one again this year and every year. We wanted to create a display of our community as it grows and a reminder of the people who will always remain in our community but no longer come to OOSC. The children were able to represent their belonging to the community by placing a hand print on a banner.







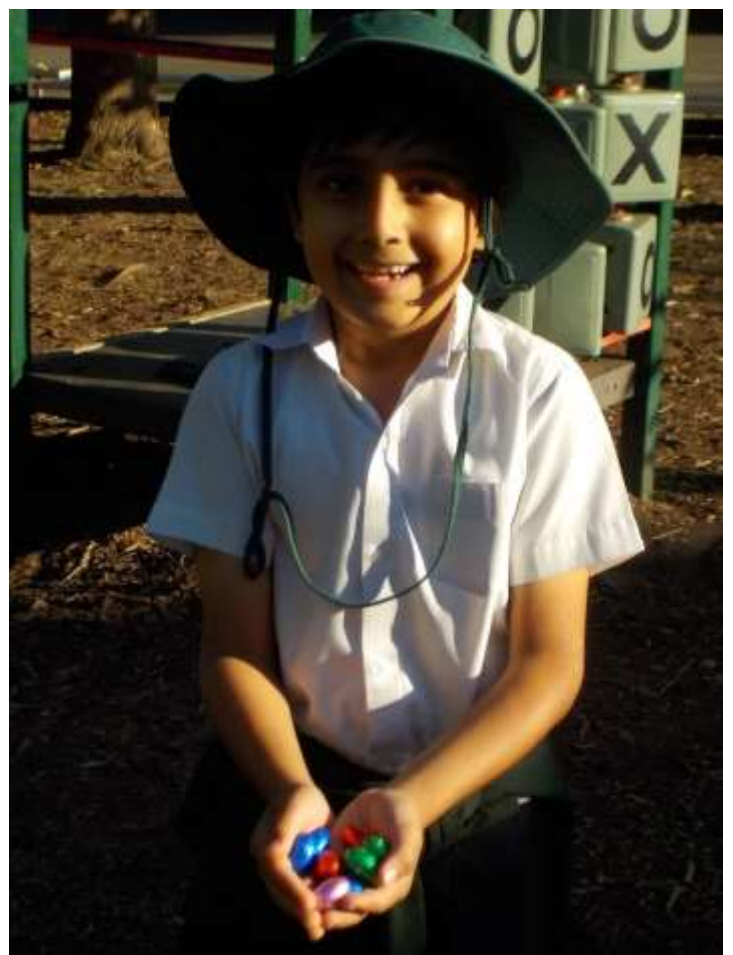
We got Mail!

We were so excited to received a email from Kaitlyn and Justin in Abu Dhabi, it included a photo of the children in the desert and talked how they are going at school and in their new home. The children chose to reply. Angus and Isaak took the lead and created a card that the children could all sign. We then scanned the card and sent an email saying how much we miss them and updating them on our news.



Easter

Earlier this term we prepared our Easter baskets and boxes in time for us to fill them with Easter goodies as we created them over the following weeks, we used a range of materials to create bunnies, cards and more. The children loved the opportunity to come up with creative ideas through the inspiration they got from the materials available, they also loved the easter eggs and baby chicks they got to put in their baskets.







Gardening with Greg

This term WPPS and WPOOSC and Greg from *Earth Story* held a working bee with the aim to create a home to support the trees we had planted with Greg late last year. We used a chain saw to cut branches to size for a retaining wall. The children shoveled the wood chip out of the trailer, into the wheel barrow and then spread it around the plants. It was amazing seeing the children using these tools and being part of the community.



We have had a great term and we are looking forward for term 2. We also want to say thank you to Nat Brown (Heston's dad) for donating a great supply of the new low-sugar Jordan's cereal his company makes.

Jacqui











