

Key Dates

- 21 November—Berry Street Visit
- 27 November—MITS Culture & Wellbeing Workshop
- 27 November—Family BBQ
- 30 November—Zendesk Incursion
- 2 December—Partner School Visits
- 15 December—MITS Graduation
- 16 December —Travelling home

MITS Family Newsletter

Remembrance Day Ceremony

MITS students and a few guests participated in a Remembrance Day Ceremony in the classroom on 11/11 last week. Prior to the ceremony, they watched several documentaries about significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait people, learning about the injustice many of them suffered. A few students assisted in the making of a remembrance wreath which was placed at the front of the classroom for the day. All students participated with solemn respectfulness.

On the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour we did a Remembrance Day Ceremony. We all had to stand quiet for one minute and we read one paragraph of the ceremony each. Remembrance Day is when we all remember the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal soldiers who fought for our country and for our people.

Charmaine.



Assembly and Student Awards

Last Friday we had a small assembly. The assembly was outside and we had

Mr. Brad's family come and visit. Sarah, Toby, Levi and some of the boys and girls was playing 'Duck-Duck-Goose'.

Jayread and Fiona got Kindness awards, Junior got Courage, Jodie Respect, Edward Care, and Chelsea and Anthony got Star of the Week.

Then we took some photos with Toby and Levi before we started walking back to Lockington. *Chelsea*



Personal Project Presentations

Over the past 2 weeks, students have been presenting their final Personal Projects to the class. Choices of topics have been both interesting and broad. A few students took the opportunity to interview some of the Richmond players, making their projects very personalised. Most students researched and presented about topics they are passionate about, or areas of work they would like to undertake into the future. All students enjoyed learning about each others' passions and interests.



All the MITS kids were working so hard on their personal project this year. We could research our own interest and then present it to the class. We were working on these presentations for 2 terms when we weren't doing other subjects.

Some of the students' presentations were on; Becoming a Military Police Officer, Modelling, Health & Fitness, Chris Brown, Dan Butler & Dustin Martin. *Penny*





Lockington

It has been a busy few weeks at Lockington. With the students spending time with their Melbourne families and at their Partner Schools. It has been fantastic to watch the students go off to their new schools wearing their uniforms with pride. Over the last few weekends we have had students go out with their Melbourne families and they are really start to build some strong connections. Lately the students have had a variety of opportunities to participate in. They have enjoyed going to the Cinemas to watch the new Harry Potter movie, Womens' National Basketball

League game, Science-Works, Narana Festival, Fun Fields, Trinity Grammar Fair, Magic show and lots of other activities.

Everyone has had a fantastic term and is looking forward to the end of the year.



Writers Workshop with Authors

On Friday we had Andrew McDonald and Chris Miles come into our school for a writer's workshop. They talked to us about books they had written and then we did activities. First they divided us into two groups. In those groups we did creative writing and we shared our writing around the group. Most of them were so funny. We enjoyed writing and meeting the two authors. Andrew and Chris were also funny fellas. We liked and enjoyed hearing their stories. Also, we learnt a lot about them and what they do.

Jodie



Art at MITS

Art is always busy at MITS and in the last few weeks students have been working with Simon Normand, a visiting mosaic artist. Simon is creating a welcome plinth for the garden at Lockington and each student is creating a garden paver representing their totem. Simon is being assisted by our Art volunteer, Adrienne Murray. Four totem poles are also being created

for the garden with Artist in Residence Lorraine White, the totems are in different colours and represent, Home, Country, MITS and Dreaming. Finally, students have been working on an art work for the Richmond Football Club to be presented at the end of year celebrations. Its been a very productive few weeks!

