

# magazine



Next year we welcome 27 new Reception children, and we can't wait to get to know them all.

We hope you enjoy flicking through our final Magazine for 2014.

*Merry Christmas!*



## FROM BARB

As another eventful year comes to a close, we would like to wish you all a happy and safe holiday.

Bon Voyage to our Year 7s! All of us here at Bridgewater Primary feel privileged to have been a part of your journey through life so far, and we know you have what it takes to make a success of whatever you choose to do next.



Farewell to Pam, Katie and Teresa. We wish them well in their future endeavours!





## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2014 GRADUATES

Sharni Bastian  
Della Griffith  
Charlotte Ratcliffe  
Amber Toon  
Murray Dawson  
Patrick Maddern  
Noah Phillips  
Jack Whomes

Eva-Mae Beckman  
Lucy Griffith  
Julie Robinson  
Kimberley Wyatt-Read  
Ewan De'Ath  
William McEvoy  
Ben Sames  
Fergus Wilson

Kaitie Buckton  
Stella Heijkoop-Logan  
Georgie Rowell  
Harry Anderson  
Joshua Edwards  
Toby Nichols  
Raff Sullivan-Llewellyn  
Zac Q

Martha Chew  
Rachael Kenyon  
Rachel Tang  
Brennan Cowan  
Henry Kidman  
Dylan Phillips  
Ed Westwell







Thanks to Governing Council  
for organising drinks for our  
End of Year Celebration.

They raised over \$600.

## END OF YEAR CELEBRATION



**2014**



# STIRLING CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



2014





## Kitchen Garden Cooking – Studios 3 & 4

It has been an absolute pleasure working with the students and volunteers at Bridgewater Primary School this year, preparing and sharing delicious meals from the kitchen garden.

We have had some wonderful new food experiences, making dishes like Glazed Jerusalem Artichokes and Apple & Rhubarb Crumble in Autumn, Kale & Potato Soup and Lemon Slice in Winter, and Caramelised Fennel with Lentils and Beetroot Risotto in Spring.



We have also had a peek at some other food cultures, creating a delicious Indian Diwali menu, decorating our dining room with candles and flowers for our meal-time and enjoying Curry, Dhal, Chapatis and a Chai Spiced Rice Pudding together.

Cooking from the kitchen garden connects children to the seasons and their environment, builds valuable teamwork and social skills and allows kids to experience a range of different healthy foods. Most of all... it's great fun!



Big thanks to all the wonderful people who volunteered their time to help out – we couldn't do it without you. Next year I'm looking forward to working at Bridgewater Primary again.

The recipes for many of the dishes we made this year are available at [www.nourishfoodlife.com.au](http://www.nourishfoodlife.com.au)

Warm regards  
Sam – Kitchen Specialist

# STUDIO 9

## AID MINISTRY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL AND REFUGEE AWARENESS DAY



At the start of the year the Aid Ministry decided to work on helping refugees seeking asylum in Australia. We learnt from our Civics and Citizenship lessons about Human Rights.



The Aid ministry started by writing a strong letter expressing our views on the refugee issue.

We sent this letter to Prime Minister Tony Abbott and MP Jamie Briggs. We got a disappointing letter back from Tony Abbott and still have had no reply from MP Jamie Briggs.

We wrote to Greens Senators Sarah Hanson-Young, Penny Wright and Christine Milne.

Senator Penny Wright came to our school and talked to our class about Amnesty International and the work she does.

We then started planning our Refugee Awareness/ Fundraising Day. We got together information sheets, petitions, postcards, stickers and badges. There was a casual clothes day for a gold coin donation.

We raised over \$250 to help get children out of detention!

Thank you, to all the people who donated, wrote lovely messages of hope to a child in a detention centre and wrote to the PM asking for change.



Send a message of hope to an asylum seeker in detention...

Dear friend,

Me send  
Love  
  
Malakai

Please place stamp here

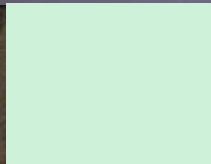
Messages of Hope  
C/O Senator Sarah Hanson-Young  
Level 7, 147 Pirie St  
Adelaide SA 5000

sarahinthesenate.com  
This material has been produced at Australian  
Government expense by Senator Sarah Hanson-Young.  
Acknowledged by the Australian Government

Malakai's message says "Me love send."



# Studio 3 & 4 Term 4 Mylor Camp



"We loved all the camp activities, food, facilities and staff. And it was obvious that BPS teachers have incredible skill in coordinating and supporting kids through a busy half-week away from home, your genuine and heart-felt care towards the kids' well-being and learning is really appreciated."

Parent







A memory is like a photo  
because they are both as precious  
as gold.  
Because nothing can replace them.  
Because it brings back lovely  
memories from when I was little.  
Because when I look at them they  
make me warm.

Isabelle

## STUDIO 7



A memory I would  
like to have when I am  
old is to see elephants  
in India and go hiking in  
the mountains because it  
is somewhere I have all  
ways wanted to and I  
think it would be fun.



A memory is like my family because  
they are both as precious as gold.  
Because my family makes me laugh.  
Because they love me.  
Because they look after me.

Maddie

Studio 7 was inspired to think about memories in preparation for our Remembrance Day assembly.

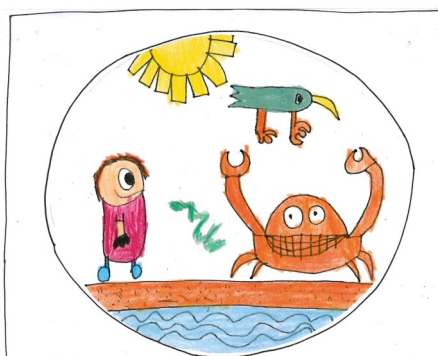
We used the protocols of a Community of Inquiry to look specifically at analogies as a form of reasoning. In Mem Fox's book *Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge*, memories are likened to gold because they are both precious.

Children in Studio 7 created their own analogies for things that are as precious as gold to them.

We also thought about what experiences we would like to have in our lives that would then become precious memories to us when we are old.

Our excursion to Port Elliot earlier this term was another source of inspiration, not only for our Habitat focus, but also for some creative writing.

Enjoy just a sample of the children's beautiful work.



**The Naughty Crab**  
Once upon a  
time... I saw a crab  
at the beach. The  
crab was hissing  
at me. I ran, but  
the crab ran after  
me. The Naughty  
Crab.  
Rohan

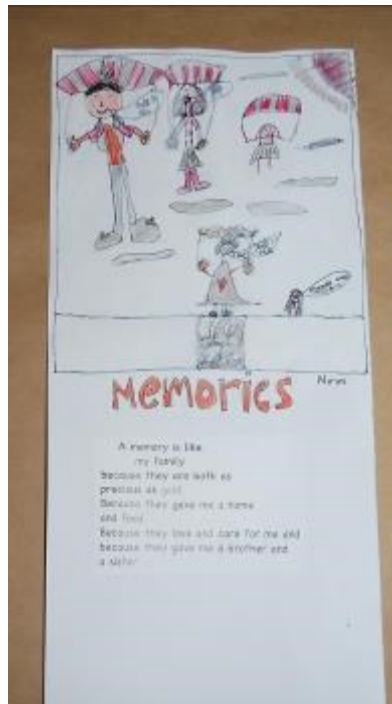


**The Magic Pony**  
One day I went  
to the beach I saw  
lots of things. I saw  
a Pacific gull. It turned  
me little and it took  
me for a ride.  
It took me under  
the sea.  
Trev

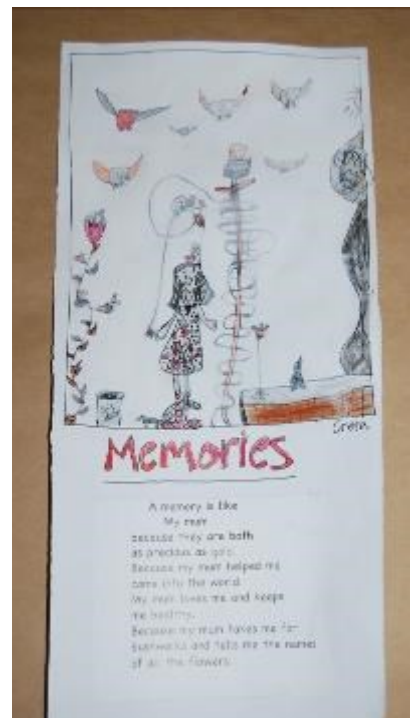


**The Magic Sea Dragon**  
When I went to the beach I hopped on  
a sleepy dragon and it took me to a  
magic door. Then I looked inside the  
magic door and there was a fairy.  
Noah





## STUDIO 8



Congratulations  
Cooper!

For your  
success at the  
Mud & Tar's  
State Title  
Motor Cross.





# STUDIO 6

This term we have been very busy learning about “Growing”. So many things grow. We have looked at how tadpoles grow and have watched our very own studio tadpoles. They have front and back legs now. Everyone grew a dwarf bean without soil – just using water and paper towel in a jar. We have learnt about the life cycles of plants and animals. Our work in the garden has been valuable, with the children seeing their plantings grow and watching how the seasons affect what we choose to plant. Thank you to all of the parents who supported our sharing topics about growing- we have seen a wealth of different plants and lifecycles as well as having rich discussions about growing up and the way we as humans grow and change. Our dancing with Kat was also about growing. All of the movements in our dance were invented by the children to express what it would look like to grow.



The lifecycle of a lemon – from our sharing topics.

Our tadpoles grew back legs and then front legs.

Kate



My geranium clippings grew roots in water.

Sienna

It grew and grew until it was a gigantic beanstalk.

Oliver



I grew a crystal Christmas tree in one day.

Joshua



This is a she-oak life cycle. The seeds are brown and have tiny tails hanging out.

Samara



We had a morning tea last week to thank all our wonderful volunteers - Thanks Sam for organising that!

## Scrummy Lunch

Last magazine, we thanked the amazing ladies for their efforts in providing yummy, healthy, varied lunches regularly for us all here at BPS.

**The girls raised over \$2,500!**

What a great effort!! Again... thank you for all your effort.

We will miss you Emily - word has it she will come back for Scrummy Lunch.



*Some great artwork by our kids.*

*Thanks Heather V.K. for your advice and patience!*







## CONGRATULATIONS Demelza!

Demelza has been awarded an Award of Merit for Japanese 2014 from the school of languages.

This award recognises noteworthy attributes such as quality scholarship, significant progress, exceptional application and effort, positive attitude and quality participation and involvement!

There's a presentation at Adelaide Uni. in Bonython Hall



## CONGRATULATIONS Ed and Al!

Ed is the SA Junior Alpaca Handler of the year for 2014. This is the second year that he's won this award.



## THANK YOU CAMP AUSTRALIA! for your contribution to BRIDGEWATER PRIMARY SCHOOL



Special Project Funding:  
Community Garden - \$200.00  
Hardship Support - \$1,000.00  
Camp Australia Award - \$100.00

My phone died so I spent some time with the family today. They seem like nice people.



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user card

## What Ipad apps do you think are suitable for your children? Any idea???

The iPad is a wonderful learning tool but parents are frustrated by the massive number of apps and the difficulty of sorting the good from the bad.

Try this website... [www.educatingapps.com](http://www.educatingapps.com)

As the name suggests, these apps educate as well as entertain. This modest collection of reviews is growing steadily with some amazingly good apps. If you want children to have quality screen-time, try some of these.

Feed back welcomed - John Travers ([jtravers@gmail.com](mailto:jtravers@gmail.com))

