Recommended apps:



Evernote - This app can change the way you organize

your personal and professional projects. Dive in: take notes, create to-do lists, and save things you find online into Evernote. It will sync everything between your phone, tablet, and computer automatically.

Cost: Free (offers in-app purchases)



Quizlet -Quizlet is the easiest way

to practise

and master whatever you're learning. Create your own flashcards and study sets or choose from millions created by other students.

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Also a website - <u>https://</u> <u>quizlet.com/</u>



Star Chart -You can now have a virtual

star chart in

your pocket. Look through the eyes of your iPhone or iPad* to see a high-tech window into the whole visible universe. All you have to do is point your AR enabled device* at the sky and Star Chart will tell you exactly what you are looking at. Star Chart calculates - in real time - the current location of every star, planet and moon visible from Earth and shows you precisely where they are; even in broad daylight!

Cost: Free (offers in-app purchases)



The Support Unit visits the Sutherland Hospital School

This term we welcomed the wonderful students from Endeavour High School Support Unit to take part in our Hospital Orientation Tour. The tour information was slightly modified and all staff involved were cognizant of the varying learning needs of the visiting students. Both the junior and senior classes participated in the tour and feedback was very positive. The older students enjoyed being 'patients' and they all received a clean bill of health from our nurses.



Endeavour Junior IO class



Endeavour Senior IO class



Happenings at John Hunter Hospital School

The classroom theme for Term 2 has been "Book and Author" studies. This has been a very successful unit of learning where the students

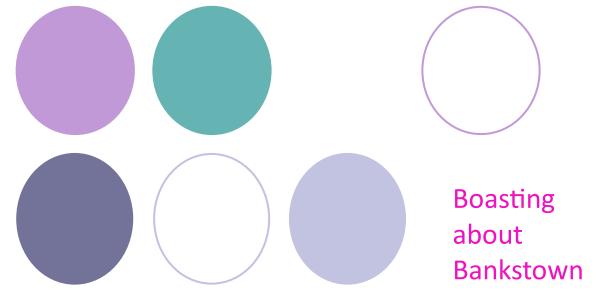
had the opportunity to read, write and respond to some very high quality and engaging texts. Texts were chosen for their engaging content, rich vocabulary and their appeal across a wide age range. Who doesn't enjoy a good picture book? I know the students did! As well as engaging in a range of literacy based activities, the students also completed many interesting creative and practical arts activities, including ICT, which supported and gave further meaning to their learning. The classroom certainly looked very bright and colourful. The books and authors studied were: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Roald Dahl, Matilda – Roald Dahl, Two Birds on a Wire – Coral Vass, Stellaluna – Janelle Canon, Mirror – Jeanie Baker, Edward the Emu – Sheena Knowles, The Lost Thing – Shaun Tan and Fire – Jackie French.

We are very fortunate to have a strong partnership with the Starlight Captains and we really enjoy combining with them, in the Starlight Express Room, to provide the students and their families with fun activities. This term, the students, school staff and captains competed against each other in "Nailed It," a game where teams had to recreate cakes, as close as possible to the original. This was a hotly contested competition, which drew on the participants' artistic and creative strengths, as well as a little bit of sabotage! Although the teams were very competitive and engaged with a degree of seriousness, in the task, it was also hilariously funny and a great deal of fun. We were robbed! Just Saying!!

The schoolroom was also victorious in the annual "Dance Off" between the Starlight Captains, the nurses and the schoolroom. Such a prestigious event to win! There was never any doubt! Many minutes of practice were put into the routine which wiped the other competitors of the dance floor. I think it was the costumes!! Congratulations to the staff and students on a magnificent performance!!!!



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This term, Bankstown has taken a 'hands-on' approach to enhance numeracy skills using both investigative and creative ICT capabilities.

Using the ipads and robotics (sphero), our students have been learning simple block coding, which enabled them to work mathematically and collaboratively to investigate angles, speed, and time in order to navigate a simple maze. Our students soon realised that what at first appeared to be a relatively easy task, was indeed more complex. This led to some very animated discussions which encompassed the concepts of estimation, calculation, measurement, recognising patterns and relationships, and interpreting.

It isn't all hard work though, our versatile spheros have also been used to create giant works of art Over the course of the sessions we saw some great teamwork and problem solving skills.



🕞 sphero











NEW LOOK @LHS:

After extensive consultation with our community, LHS have a whole new look! Here is our new logo incorporating our motto 'Learning is wellbeing'. You can stay up to date with what is happening in the classroom on our Twitter page as well as our newly migrated website. We were lucky enough to be amongst the first schools to be trained in the new Adobe Experience Manager SWS and have since gone live with the new build. Here is a <u>link to a video</u> about the new School Website Service. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=57&v=HVnGEQNNdS4</u>



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But wait....there's more....at Liverpool......

Full STEAM Ahead:

Exploring circuits and physical computing with ThinkerShield.

At LHS, we have been exploring electrical circuits and physical computing. We start by building our background knowledge on constructing simple circuits that incorporate a device, such as a switch or a globe. This knowledge then extends itself to experimenting with ThinkerShield. ThinkerShield is a circuit board designed for the Arduino microcontroller. No soldering or programming knowledge required! Even if students have never seen a computer program before, they make things flash, buzz, beep and respond in no time and don't want to return to their room. Here are some pics of creations students have made.

Click here for a video of the digital spoon piano: https://twitter.com/i/status/994798851390345216





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