At the end of August we celebrated Book Week with a parade of book characters. There were some very creative outfits especially from the teachers! The Year 2 students also joined the celebrations at Athelstane as part of their transition into Year 3 program. Over the week the classes visited Arncliffe Library for a story and viewing of the artwork that had been sent in for the Competition that the Library runs each year. This year our star was Fatima from Year 1 who won a Highly Commended.

Kindergarten’s big excursion to the city took place at the beginning of September. We take the children by train to Circular Quay and then walk around the Opera House through the Botanic Gardens and the Art Gallery. We then walk past the Archibald Fountain in Hyde Park and finally catch the train back from St James to Turrella. Such a wonderful Sydney excursion and so rich in experiences for the children. The weather was perfect and we all arrived back happy and exhausted.

In this final week of the term we have been focused on food as we explore our sense of taste. Mrs Sabra organized for the children to assemble a large Fattoush from ingredients kindly chopped and donated by the parents. It was delicious and disappeared quickly into hungry mouths. The sausage sizzle is also a very exciting day for the children. This time the P&C mums are also very excited to try out their new BBQ purchased from fundraising. Thank you again to the P&C for all the hard work that you put in to support the school.

On a more serious note I will put on my Ms Crankypants hat for a moment as there are two things I need to comment on:

1. I have noticed some children walking across the carpark in the morning. The carpark is out of bounds at this time. Please use the footpath and the front gate to enter the school.

2. I love to see so many parents at the assembly but please do not leave after your child has received their award. Children other than your own also love an audience. Please stay until the leaders sign off. Thank you

As we wind down to the holidays the weather has warmed up and the trees are coming back to life. We hope you enjoy some wonderful family time in the sunshine and come back refreshed. Term 4 is another testing and reporting term when teachers will be busy documenting the progress your child has made over the year. We look forward to some great reports.

Vanda Quinn
Principal
Kindergarten
Zeinab: Enthusiastic participation in class
Esui: Being kind to others
Sara A: Looking after her friends
Munkh-Od: Being focused in piano lessons
Fatima: Excellent progress in reading
Mohammed: Beautiful work in HSIE
Miriam: Beautiful artwork in HSIE
Chelsea: Excellent progress in music class

Year 1
Aimen: Welcome back to AWIS
Fatima: Wonderful noun, verb, adjective work
Jayden: Knowledge of spelling patterns
Nadine: Fantastic work in reading groups
Charlie: Pleasing work on alphabetical order
Hussien: Wonderful work on the sense of taste
Sakina: Excellent participation in fitness
Maya: Fantastic reading
Zeinab: Fantastic dance skills
Toto: Recognising and creating 2D shapes
Santi: Great job with homework

Year 2
Abbas: Involvement in the Y2 play
Aadi: Contribution to the Y2 play
Ali E: Mentoring his classmates
Hashimiyah: Activities during book week
Yasmine: In depth recount of book parade
Mohammad E: Fantastic attempt at writing
Sarah: Concentrating in maths
Youssef: Effort and enthusiasm in fitness
Hadia: Application to all work
Muhammad A: Writing his sensory speech
Mahdi: Enthusiasm and progress in Reading
Ibrahim: Wonderful work on the senses

Arabic
Moussa: Reading most Arabic letters
Hussien E: Improvement in Arabic handwriting
Hashimiyah: Great improvement in Arabic Reading
Zahraa A: Improved Arabic handwriting
Batoul: Matching words to form an Arabic sentence
Muhammed-Ali: Writing an Arabic sentence Independently
Haidar: Starting to read short vowels
Saleh: Improvement in Arabic spelling
Abbas S: Great improvement in Arabic reading

SOCIAL SKILL AWARDS
Hadia
Miriam A
Jayden
Mergen
Angela
Orla
Nadine
Mahdi A
Kelvin
Zeinab E
August/September Birthdays........

Alina (K) Mergen (K) Zeinab (K) Nadine (Y1)
Kevin (Y1) Ryan (Y1) Saleh (Y1) Maya (Y1)
Hashimiyah (Y2) Abbas (Y2) Youssef (Y2)
Muhammad A (Y2) Sarah (Y2) Zahraa E (J)
Thomas (J) Maddison (J) Jawad (R) Lamar (R)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Library Visit

It's getting wet in here.

AWIS Artwork
Book Character Parade

Who are these students?

OH NO!!!!

...and at Athelstane
Fattoush Making - Yum!
BANKING WILL BE COLLECTED ON TUESDAY

AND BOOKS RETURNED ON THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY