Research Presentation.
Our first week of sharing our 'look what I made' was very interesting and informative, as well as delicious! Thanks for those choc brownies!
There is a format to follow similar to the research presentation format. Please note, keep it simple and this is not a compulsory activity.

Our overall theme this term is Time, Continuity and Change integrating Geography. The students will engage in activities and literature that shows examples of this concept. We begin with the books by Jeannie Baker.

Work of the Week Returns.
We are ready to acknowledge those children in our class who have worked especially hard in an activity. This week, work of the week goes to Zac McGrath for his excellent effort and presentation in written text and art. Zac, your lamp activity and written text describing similarities in multi-cultural life of families was fantastic.

Literacy.
This week's focus story is 'Grandmother' by Jeannie Baker.

A small girl visits her grandmother whose garden is so overgrown it is almost a jungle. Statues hide amongst the trees and the seasons seem to merge as in memory. We had crusts of bread to feed the birds and broke them into small pieces to leave on the ground. Grandmother said that sometimes, when she is very quiet and alone, they will eat from her hand.

Grandmother's cottage is full of treasures. But most treasured, is the affection between the child and her grandmother.

Religion. This week we will learn the story of St Mary MacKillop and complete a short piece of written text about her life.

Spelling.
Words for the week. They will find will by

I have now completed the cycle of testing for spelling groups based on the Diana Rigg programme. We will continue these activities this week.
IT: This term I am setting tasks for the children to complete on the Ipads. The tasks will be focused on creating text. Typing and word processing (opening, creating and saving a document) on tablets and then moving on to computers. The children will have the opportunity to begin to use the keypad to write short text. I am hoping to store the text to show progress. The students have completed their first attempt at creating text on Ipad. They have linked this with the activities for our last story, Where the Forest Meets the Sea and written about their favourite place.

We are hoping to join with the Year Three class to begin some 'coding' activities this week.

Health and Safety.

This week we continue looking at safety in our environment. We discuss safety in the garage. You could follow-up at home by discussing what has been talked about in class.

Reading Groups.
Another cycle of testing, teaching and levelling the students for reading has begun this week. Children will be heard individually.

Mathematics.
Our focus for this week is money and financial literacy. We will talk about earning and saving money. You can help by continuing this discussion at home.

Any questions or discussions please make an appointment time to see me. I am always happy to chat with you about your child’s progress.

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