Sleek Geeks Science Video Competition

Our class is taking part in the 2016 ‘Sleek Geeks’ Science Video competition.

The purpose of this competition is to produce a 3 minute video that explains (in simple terms) a science concept.

To win, your video has to be entertaining, scientifically accurate and creative—right up MAC’s alley!

We have formed pairs or threes and have begun researching possible topics. It is going to be a lot of fun and we will keep you posted on our progress!

Room 21

Networking Nonsense!

Do you know what TRAVERSABLE means? TRAVERSABILITY is when you can trace over each path (of a network) only once and you can’t lift your pen off the page (you can go over each node/vertex how many times you want).

You can work out if a network is traversable by following Euler’s Rule!

Euler’s rule of TRAVERSABILITY is: A network is traversable if there are two or less odd vertexes/nodes.

We are having lots of fun playing with some really tricky networks. Megha
Dorothea McKellar wrote a very famous poem, titled ‘My Country’. It was written in 1908 and talks about all the things she loved about our great country. Our class has written our own poems about Australia, using her structure and rhythm.

In Week 2, We did our second Big Write. It was based on Dorothea Mackellar’s poem called ‘My Country’. We were assigned to write a poem about Australia, using the same structure and rhythm of Mrs Mackellar’s poem. We had to explain how beautiful Australia is. Everyone did a fantastic job, and wrote like a true poet. It was very fun!

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**MY COUNTRY**
Cameron Kew
I love this land Australia
Her glistening ocean blues
Sitting around the fire
With Kookaburras signing tunes
Bacòn and eggs for breakfast
Her finely powdered dunes
Surfing at the beach
And seeking Uluru!

Fish and chips for dinner
Fishing at the beach
Staring at the sunset
With colours yellow and peach
A true sporting nation
We love our Aussie rules
Eagles are the team to beat
Try and win the jewels

Aussies really like a joke
And have a good time
They have a strange language:
‘G’day’, ‘Beaut’ are all fine
The best bakeries in the world
The snowy capped mountains
The really cool climate
And the beauty of the rain

Australian animals are unique
Kangaroo and Emu
They’re on the Coat of Arms
We love koalas too
Or is multicultural
It has lots to share
I’m lucky to live here
Nowhere can compare

From the Teacher’s Desk...

It is already week 5—where has the time gone?

Welcome to the first Class Newsletter for 2016! This may well be our last—we are working towards starting an online Class Blog, which will hopefully be up and running by the end of the term.

2016 has gotten off to a wonderful start. The ‘old’ students have settled back into the MAC routine without a fuss and our new Yr 4 students have made an excellent start. They are beginning to rise to the expected MAC standard and their commitment to excellence is very pleasing.

Thank you to all those who came to the Parent Information Evening last week. There were some excellent questions and I hope I answered them to your satisfaction.

I look forward to the rest of the year!