CAMPBELL STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

The world in one school

Campbell Street Primary is an exciting school with our students coming from all over the world.

NEWS CREW: The Campbell Street Primary School editorial team.

In every class at least four students have been born in another country.

Some of our students have special help at school from teachers funded under the English as a second language (ESL) program.

Campbell Street Primary has a strong link with our wider community.

An example of us engaging with our school community is the recent ESL art competition that we are participating in.

Students are entering an art competition where chosen art will be framed and hung in our African family's homes.

The idea is to give our new families a warm welcome when they arrive into our community.

Another example is our parent and family involvement in coaching sport teams and fundraising for school equipment.

Parents often help our teachers in class and on excursions.

One of the 5/6 teachers, Ms Bridget Field said: "I think at Campbell Street School our students have such a rich learning experience. We have a wonderful school community."

Our other 5/6 teacher, Ms Philippa Clymo said: "It is fantastic, exciting and I learn many things from the students.

"Our latest newspaper unit is yet another example of us working in our community. We believe it is important to let people know that as students we are active and working in our community."

The Grade 5/6 students at Campbell Street worked as a team to produce this page.

IN BRIEF

Built on graveyard

CAMPBELL Street School is built on the site of a graveyard, belonging to Trinity Church. Most of the 5113 burials recorded from 1833 to 1872 were convicts, with many being sent for burial from the Hobart Gaol in Campbell Street. Convicts were usually buried in mass unmarked graves.

In 1923, the human remains were removed from the cemetery and taken to Cornelian Bay Cemetery. The present school was built on the site three years later.

CSPS Idol

AUSTRALIAN Idol fever has hit our school! We have started up our own idol competition named Campbell Street Idol! Performers sing at our assembly on Fridays.

We have three groups or solo singers perform each week. Students can opt to sing, rap or beat box to their choice of nursery rhyme. We wish all contestants this year the very best of luck.

Tsunami friends

FOLLOWING the Boxing Day tsunami, students in Grade 5/6 studied the effects of the tsunami and Australia's place in a global community.

Students were very moved by what they learned and decided to write messages of hope and friendship to children in Banda Aceh.

They learned some simple phrases in Indonesian and decorated the pages with photos of themselves to support the message of friendship.

The pages were then bound into a book which was sent to a school being established in Banda Aceh by World Vision.

Rock Band

A COUPLE of students from Miss Field's 5/6 class have started a rock band. Members of the band include Rani Cavarretta (lead vocal/lead guitar), Alex O'Leary (rhythm guitar), Zabrina Taib (bass), Annabelle Flanagan (keys) and Steele Mansell (drums). We came up with many names for our band and decided on Pink Slip!

Klik and Play makes learning a game

CAMPBELL St Primary has been involved this year in a program run by New Town High School and funded by the Boys in Education Lighthouse Project.

As part of this program, Grade 5/6 classes have been learning how to make computer games using software called Klik and Play.

The students were first shown by New Town High School ICT specialist teacher, Mrs Meijers, what sort of games they could make.

She showed the Campbell Street students games that had previously been made by students at New Town High. The 5/6 classes then went to New Town to use the computer lab there.

They learned how to make a basic game and took a tour around the school in small groups with a New Town guide. This was great for the Campbell Street boys who will be going to New Town for high school.

Mrs Meijers then came to Campbell Street and taught four people how to make a series of different games. In all, they learned an alien game, platform game, space shooter and maze games.

The four initial "tutor" students then taught others in the class, who took turns to teach more people until the whole class had been taught and learned the game. This 'peer tutoring' worked well because everyone learned from each other and the class members always had lots of "experts" to help them out.

Students in Grade 5/6 are now planning to enter computer games in the Screen It competition, which is run by the Australian Centre for the Moving Image to celebrate the 2006 Commonwealth Games.

The competition is for primary schools students and the winning games will be shown at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image in Melbourne.

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