



Glenorchy Primary School

WE STRIVE

A GROWING CONCERN

LEARNING at Glenorchy Primary School is now a growing concern with the development of a school garden run by the Grade 3 and 4 classes.

The garden was completed and first used last year. This year classes have planted their vegetables and are watching their produce develop.

The garden is located in the quadrangle at Glenorchy Primary. It was built to provide education about plant growth and some real life experience.

The vegetables growing are tomato, broccoli, cauliflower and zucchini. The garden also contains a lovely variety of flowers.

The garden is a wonderful success. It is a whole school community effort with parent help supervising the young gardeners and help from the groundsman, Mr Scott Langworthy, to build the garden surrounds and fences to stop the school rabbit from getting in.

Bales of straw were or-



FERTILE GROUND: Student gardeners Serina Seah, left, and Daisy Harcourt.

dered for the students to make a wall around the garden. The bales are held together by string that the

students helped put on to keep them all together. The wall became solid.

The bottom of the garden

was made from newspaper. The next layer was straw and then manure. Then students laid down more straw and

then some of their school made compost. They repeated all the layers.

They did not put soil in the garden because it is a "no dig" garden.

The garden has been an interesting experience for the classes involved. It has taught them some of the responsibilities of being a gardener, such things as the need for regular watering and weeding.

The idea of the garden was to let the students grow, cook and eat the vegetables they planted.

From some of the produce grown last year the students made spinach pie and vegetable soup.

It is our hope that Glenorchy Primary School's garden will be a success for many years to come and that a range of students get to grow vegetables and have the growing experience.

By **JESSIE QUINN** and **JESSICA HART**

Southern e-friends

THIS year one of our Grade 3/4 classes has been emailing an electrician at Davis Station in Antarctica. We have found out that vegetables are grown there. We also found out that the coldest place in Antarctica is Vostok Station which can get to -50 degrees. The people there play volleyball, badminton, indoor cricket and soccer. It is too cold for sharks there.

Plovers protected

EARLIER in the year plovers were nesting on both our front and back ovals. We organised a group called POP (Protect Our Plovers). This group wanted to help the plovers by giving them space. We did not go too close to their eggs and their chicks.

Computing Q&A

POWERPOINT, Kahootz, blogging, epals, Learning Objects and Kidspiration are just some of the programs children at Glenorchy Primary School use to enhance their learning.

With computers in every classroom, a computer lab equipped with interactive whiteboard, a data projector, laser printers, scanners and a specialist IT teacher, students at Glenorchy are being prepared for a computer dominated world.

We interviewed two students to get their IT views.

Grade 5 student Justin K

Q. What do you like doing on the computer?

A. I like Kahootz because you can animate and make sounds.

Q. What program do you like best?

A. Microsoft Excel because you can make graphs.

Q. What programs do you like to use to create your projects on?

A. I like Microsoft PowerPoint because you can create slide shows.

Grade 4 student Tyler.

Q. Do you like working on the computers?

A. Yes, very much because it is much easier than working on paper.

Q. What do you like to do best on the computers?

A. The thing I like best is a PowerPoint presentation because of the different ways you can present your work.

Q. What do you do on the computers?

A. Sometimes I use Word to type up a story or use the Internet to do some research.

By **TRIS LONG, SARAH BRAMBLE, BRITTANY GRICE, COREY STEVENS** and **ASHLEY GEER**

YOUNG ARTISTS PROMOTE PEACE

ART at Glenorchy Primary School has never been better.

An exhibition of the art done by students throughout the year grew from an invitation from the Glenorchy Lions Club to enter a peace poster competition.

The competition was to select a poster to enter the state competition — the winner of which could eventually have their work entered in an international contest in New York.

Students were asked to show on their posters their emotions and what peace meant to them. Many students participated in this event and we had four winners selected from our school.

The overall winner was Emma O'Halloran and our three runners-up were Corinne Terry, Mellony Bester



POSTER ART: Artists Kerralee Orr, left, Mellony Bester, Corinne Terry and Emma O'Halloran.

and Kerralee Orr. Glenorchy Mayor Adriana Taylor and her colleagues also attended this event and spoke before the prizes were presented.

Many of the posters were displayed around the state in

places such as Parliament House and the Glenorchy Council Chambers, while the Lions Club took many.

All other artwork, as well as the posters, was shown in the hall and was able to be

viewed by the public. The winners of the peace poster competition were all rewarded. One of the winners received a \$50 gift voucher for Sanity and the other three were given a \$100 gift voucher for Book City and all the winners received a certificate.

Some classes achieved awards for the whole class because of their beautiful artwork and many people received single awards for the same reasons.

Glenorchy Primary School hopes students will continue producing this wonderful artwork for people to enjoy and cherish for the rest of their lives.

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