



St George Hospital School

Year so far

St George Hospital school has welcomed some new staff and new innovations. The focus has been on developing students' wellbeing, engagement and learning. The hospital school is currently working closely with CAMHS to develop a significant and supportive program to enable students to transition successfully to the hospital school and then further to their census school. This year has seen an increased number of out-patients attending the hospital school, with longer stay periods. We have several completing their HSC and others on their way to transitioning to new school settings.

In terms of program development and learning, the school has taken a themes based approach, focusing on two themes *our place* and *living things*. Teachers have developed a scope and sequence across most stages incorporating all KLA's within the week. These lessons have given a structure and focus for our in-patients as well as our out-patients. Our art focus has been on *portraits* and *landscapes*, with our student's producing some amazing work.

Students have also participated in various themed activities such as , *Chinese New Year, Harmony Day and Reconciliation Week*. We currently have 2 projects underway to support the hospital. One of these being our Digital Art project, creating art to display in the pediatric waiting room. Students have been encouraged to use Digital Apps to create artwork. Literacy and Numeracy continue to be a main focus of daily learning.

Future Directions

Next term the school is looking at upgrading our technology to support our students participating in a STEMS program. In terms of professional learning, our focus will be around wellbeing and supporting students with mental health to re-engage in school.



Last month we had a visit from the Starlight Foundation.

Students engaged in craft activities, singing and dancing.

It is wonderful to see the joy and fun this organization brings to our students.