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The Importance of Still Reading to Your Children

One thing I have learnt over many years in schools — and as a parent myself — is that children are never really too old to be read to, in fact I still ask my wife to read to me, it's so relaxing.

Recently, I was speaking with a parent who asked me for a book recommendation for her seven-year-old son. I asked whether she wanted a book he could read independently or one they could enjoy together.

Her response was immediate.

"No, he reads by himself now. He doesn't really need me to read to him anymore." My response to such a reply, is usually the same **— keep reading to them.**

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The Importance of Still Reading to Your Children

Reading aloud to children is not something that should stop once they become independent readers. In fact, continuing to read together often becomes even more important as children grow older. It exposes them to richer vocabulary, deeper ideas and more complex stories than they may yet be able to confidently read alone.

A child still learning phonics can still sit and enjoy a story like "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" when it is read aloud to them. A child who may struggle reading every word independently can still understand bravery, friendship and resilience through stories like "How to Train Your Dragon" simply by listening and engaging in the story.

Children's listening comprehension is often well ahead of their reading ability. Sometimes the stories they can understand through listening are years ahead of what they can comfortably read independently. If we only provide books children can already read themselves, we can unintentionally limit the ideas, imagination and conversations they are capable of exploring.

I remember reading "Charlotte's Web" with my own children and finding ourselves discussing loss and saying goodbye for the first time in a very open and honest way. Another time, while reading "*Wonder*" together, we found ourselves talking about kindness, empathy and how important it is to include people who may feel different or isolated. The book opened the door to conversations about friendships, bullying and treating others with compassion. Books often create conversations that may never naturally happen otherwise.

I know family life becomes busy. Homework, sports, dinner, washing, email replies and preparing for the next day can leave everyone exhausted by evening. But if your child still asks you to read with them — even occasionally — try to say "*Yes, let's sit down together and read*." Especially over the up and coming 4-week school break!

Reading together is not just about improving literacy skills. It is about connection. It is about conversation, imagination, shared moments and building a lifelong love of learning and books.

… And those moments matter more than we sometimes realise.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

•IEA Celebrating 50 Years of Education in 2026 – Therefore, Week 9 Monday 8 June to Friday 12 June will be an IEA PD Week hosted at KoroBoro, POMIS and TEMIS.

•Holidays for the students will be from Monday 8 June to Friday 3 July.

•Semester 2 Term 2 starts on Monday 6 July from 7.30am – we will see all the students back on that this day!

TERM ONE - 10 Weeks	TERM TWO - 9 Weeks
Start: Teachers Monday 19 January **Start:** Students Wednesday 21 January **End:** Friday 27 March **School Holidays (2 weeks)** Monday 30 March - Friday 10 April **Pupil Free Days** Monday 19 January Tuesday 20 January **Public Holidays:** Thursday 26 February - *Remembrance Day of Sir Michael Somare* Friday 3 April *Good Friday* Saturday 4 April *Easter Saturday* Sunday 5 April *Easter Sunday* Monday 6 April *Easter Monday*	**Start:** Monday 13 April **End:** Friday 12 June **School Holiday (3 Weeks):** Monday 15 June - Friday 3 July **Five (5) Pupil Free Days** **Monday 8 June – Friday 12 June** **IEA 50th Anniversary PD & Conference** **Public Holidays:** Wednesday 17 June- *King's Birthday*
TERM THREE - 10 Weeks	**TERM FOUR - 10 Weeks**
Start: Monday 6 July **End:** Friday 11 September **School Holidays (2 weeks)** Monday 14 September – Friday 25 September **Pupil Free Days – No Pupil Free Days** **Public Holidays** Thursday 23 July – *Remembrance Day* **Wednesday 26 August- *Repentance Day*** Wednesday 16 September- *Independence Day*	**Start:** Monday 28 September **End:** Friday 4 December **School Holidays (6 weeks)** Monday 7 December – Friday 15 January '27 **Pupil Free Days – No Pupil Free Day** **Public Holidays:** Friday 25 December- *Christmas Day* Saturday 26 December- *Boxing Day* Friday 1 January- *New Year's Day*
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Monday 18 January Teachers resume duty **Wednesday 20 January** Students resume classes	

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Welcome to Grade 1NK

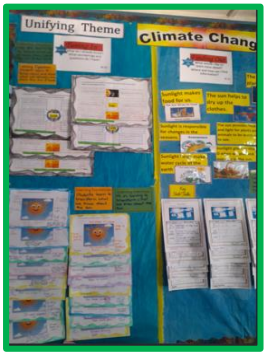
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A Glimpse into Our Learning

Step into our classroom and discover the exciting learning adventures taking place in our class. Each day is filled with opportunities for our young learners to explore, create, question and grow. From developing their reading and writing skills to investigating new mathematical ideas and engaging in hands-on Inquiry activities, our students are building confidence and a love of learning.
We are proud of the enthusiasm, curiosity and determination our students bring to the classroom every day. We hope you enjoy this glimpse into our learning journey and celebrate with us the wonderful achievements and memorable moments that make 1NK such a special place to learn and grow.









A Sneak Peek into Our Class Library and Inquiry Learning Displays

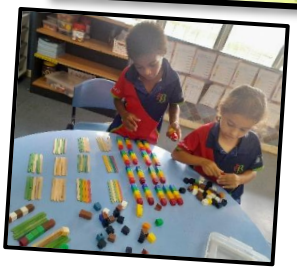


In our class, we believe learning is stronger when shared. These photos show our students working together in Mathematics, discussing ideas, solving problems, and learning as a team.









Reading is an important part of our learning. These photographs show our students engaged in reading activities and building their literacy skills.







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2K Inquiry Learning Adventure











Students in 2MK have been actively engaged in Inquiry lessons, where they explore, question, and discover new ideas through hands-on learning experiences. Throughout the unit, students have worked collaboratively to ask questions, conduct research, share their thinking, and make connections to the world around them. This term we learnt about Roles of Individuals their rights and the responsibilities that they have . The lessons have encouraged curiosity about students' rights and encourage the student to critical think about the various responsibilities that comes with he rights. It has been wonderful to see students confidently share their ideas, listen to others, and take ownership of their learning journey. We are proud of their enthusiasm and commitment to becoming thoughtful and independent inquirers.

Find are some snap shots of what the 2MK class have been learning in Term 2.

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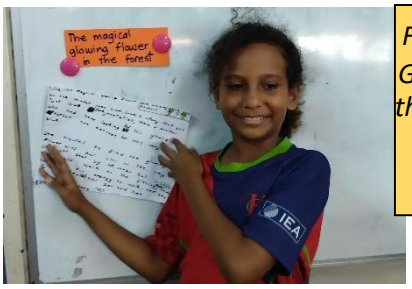
Story Builders of 3RS: Bringing Imagination to Life

"If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairytales. If you want them to be more tales." *Albert Einstein*

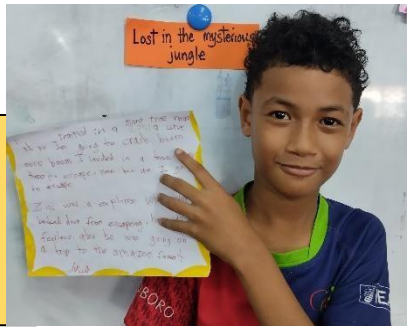


This term, 3RS has explored the exciting world of narrative writing. Using story graphs and planning tools, students have learnt how to create engaging stories with a Sizzling Start, Backfill, Pebble, Rock, Boulder, Character Wrap Up, and an Exciting Ending.
Through collaborative discussions and writing activities, students have developed a growing interest in storytelling, bringing their creativity and imagination to life through their narratives.

Inside Our Creative Writing Adventure



Future authors in the making! Lekwa Gure and Aleida Auru proudly share their narrative stories, showcasing the creativity and storytelling skills developed during our writing unit.



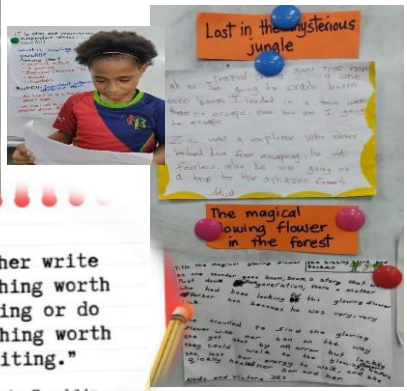
"From Planning to Publishing"

Our narrative writing board helped students plan and develop their ideas, while their finished stories showcase the creativity, imagination, and enthusiasm that have flourished throughout our writing journey. 📖✨











"Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing."
Benjamin Franklin

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Welcome to Grade 5TA

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Debate Fever in 5TA: Speak Up, Stand Strong

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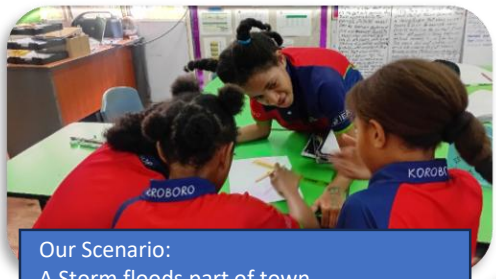
Our classroom has turned into a lively debate arena! 🎤💥 From "convince me!" moments to dramatic mic-drop arguments, students are diving into persuasive writing by battling it out with ideas (don't worry—no chairs were thrown 😊). They're learning to argue their case, back it up with evidence, and maybe even change a few minds along the way. Watch out world—we've got future lawyers, leaders, and master persuaders in the making!

Inquiry- 5TA Problem Solver- For a Better Community

👀 **Sneak Peek into Our Inquiry! ("Human Connections to Place")**

This week 5TA students are investigating how **environmental challenges and crises affect our communities—and how people work together to solve them** 🌍🤝

Through real-life examples, discussion, and hands-on activities, we will learn how teamwork, responsibility, and good decision-making can help protect our environment and create positive change. Through this activity we learn to value each other, build teamwork, and grow in confidence while learning to solve environmental challenges together



Our Scenario:
A Storm floods part of town.

The crisis Simulation



Our Scenario:
Food shortage in the community



Our Scenario:
Cyclone destroys houses in Buka



Our Scenario:
Classmates house burns down



Our Scenario:
Classmates house burns down

No one solves big problems alone.
People work together through communication, planning, and cooperation.

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IMPORTANT DATES

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Term 3 - Week 1

Monday 06/07: ECA preparations begin

Friday 10/07: SRC meeting

Friday 10/07: Term Overviews, class timetable, grade newsletter go home

Term 3 - Week 2

Monday 13/07 : Public Speaking class preparation

Thursday 16/07: Inter-School Junior/Intermediate Division Athletics Carnival-GIS

Friday 17/07: Inter-School Senior Division Athletics Carnival-POMIS

Term 3 - Week 3

Monday 20/07: Principal's Awards – Boro | Knowledge Expo Meeting (H&S – together Boro)

Tuesday 21/07: Principal's Awards – Koro| Knowledge Expo Meeting (H&S – together Koro) | Class photo- Koro

Thursday 23/07: Public Holiday - REMEMBRANCE DAY

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