



3/4M CLASSROOM FEATURE

Our Chicken Adventure



During August, Grade 3/4 M began each morning in anticipation of some new feathery arrivals. Six chickens hatched and we enjoyed watching them grow and change over time. We were surprised to see how quickly they put on weight, changed their feathers and became more confident. The chickens became a part of the class, being held, chirping and running around our reading circles.

Although we were sad to see them go, it wasn't goodbye forever. They are currently growing big enough to return to the St Ambrose chicken coop and will be back soon.



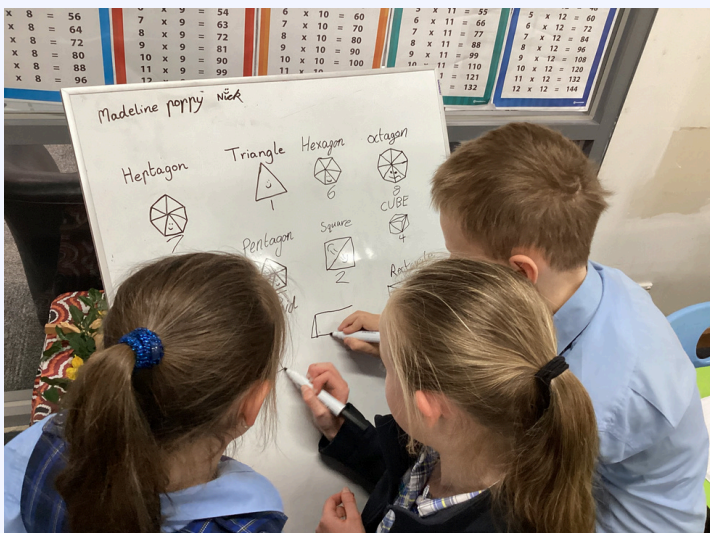
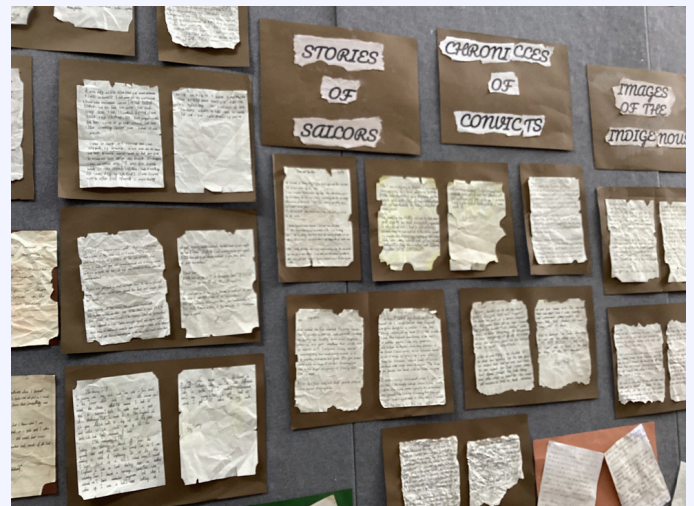
Inquiry - Change Over Time

As part of our inquiry into the historical changes to our country due to settlement, we created a triptych artwork. Triptychs have three panels that tell a story. Our artworks depicted an Australian landscape that changed over time. Students in 3/4 were able to use any landscape and medium they wished and demonstrated their understanding of the effects of settlement on our land.



Historical Narratives

Our most recent published writing was a historical narrative, set on a convict ship or in an early settlement. Students used the Bump It Up Wall to set their own goals to work towards while writing this piece. We used our knowledge of tall ships, convict stories and rich descriptive language to create engaging narratives. We then gave them an authentic aged appearance with some chalk, tearing and scrunching.



Launch Explore Summarise

We are practicing and improving our problem solving and collaboration skills by following the Launch, Explore, Summarise model in some of our Mathematics' sessions. Working in small groups and with challenging open ended problems, students explore and discuss possible solutions. The vertical whiteboards help us to explain and critique other's ideas and processes.