Book Week Fun at EDPS

Book Week is a week-long event, during which schools around the country celebrate reading. 2018’s Book Week theme was ‘Find your Treasure’! Our library was decorated as an Aladdin’s Cave, with gems, gold and brightly coloured flowing materials for the students to enjoy.

The Junior Primary classes started Book Week with a JP Book Trail; they visited other Junior Primary classes to read a shortlisted book and make a unique activity related to the story.

On the morning of the Book Week Parade, some friendly Year 7 buddies joined several JP classes for a book reading; they had organised a whole lesson by themselves. They read their favourite picture book and did a connected activity. The buddies and students chatted about their favourite parts and different things they remembered from the story—a great way to build early comprehension skills.

We continued our week of Book Week Fun with a whole school parade. It was fantastic watching everyone show off their amazing costumes, art or posters and we all ended up with sparkly sprinkles in our hair...mmm!

And to top off a very busy and marvellous Book Week, classes enjoyed a shared lunch—thank you Mrs Holt for the wonderful cake and coins!!! A very special Book Week to remember.
During Science week I invited students to come along and explore different areas of science relating to the theme of gamechangers and changemakers. I was very happy with the way students conducted themselves during the lunch times and it was pleasing to see how engaged, excited and curious about science they all were.

On Tuesday we made thaumatropes which were based on marine animals and had some activities involving marine pollution. Tuesday consisted of students exploring the solar system and other parts of the universe on the iPads using the “night sky” app. On Thursday, students competed in creating the tallest tower made from 50 straws and some sticky tape. Friday was an exciting day for all students as they were able to see how Nintendo gaming consoles had evolved over 30 years.

A big thank you to all the students for coming out and for the teachers that covered my yard duties!
Book Week Fun in Tirkandi Room 16

In Maths we connected with the Book Week theme—Find your Treasure! So we went on a Treasure hunt. First, we drew a map of where we thought the treasure might be in the school and then we set off to find it—wearing our pirate hats of course!! We searched the whole school looking for clues and following the instructions.

Guess where we found the treasure? Right back where we started IN OUR CLASSROOM!!! It was such a surprise and we were very lucky to each receive a bookmark and a smelly texta for all of our hard searching.

Here we had to step out 20 big paces towards the sandpit.

There were lots of clues—we needed to keep our eyes open!!!