



Carenne School

Newsletter

Quality Education ~ Towards Independence

www.carenne-s.schools.nsw.gov.au

TERM 3 WEEK 4 2021

Education Week 2021

We celebrated Education Week last week and the theme *Lifelong Learners*. It was unfortunate we weren't able to hold a whole school assembly and invite our special friends but we enjoyed our stage assemblies and celebrating our amazing learners. Teachers in each class chose one student who has been displaying our PBL expectations, producing great work or just being a really nice friend. We also had awards from our Education Director for those students showing they are Lifelong Learners and of course our amazing staff. Congratulations to Richard, Kai, Lachlan RC, Tristan H, Daniel, Braiden, Faith, Noel, Allan, Tyler, Seth, Connor, Danny, Paige, Tayne, Shae'Anne, Liam R, AJ, Lily, DJ, Balian, Nicholas, Caitlin, Dylan, Tamazin, Callen, Thomas & Ms Allen, Ms Schofield and Mr Graham.



COVID Update

While schools in Sydney are entering their 5th week of learning from home we know how lucky we are to still be able to operate as close to normal as possible. However, we still have restrictions on visitors and some excursions. We ask that parents/carers do not come into the school unless it is essential. We are trying to limit the number of students in the front office and remind those that are dropped off in the morning, that this needs to be from 9:00am. Also, students need to be collected in the afternoon from the office (if not through the drive-thru) to ensure all students are safe on a very busy road.

Have a great week, Jane

CALENDAR DATES

13th August Abseiling - Class 8
 26th August Abseiling - Class 6
 16th October Carenne Art Show

24th August - Western Athletics
 3rd September Bushwalking - Class 13

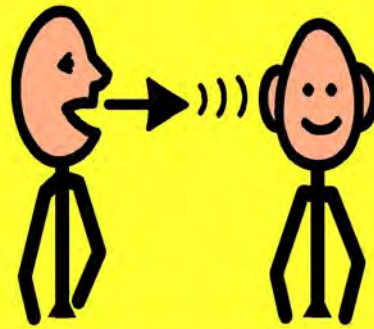
We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of our lands, Australia. We acknowledge the Wiradjuri nation as the traditional custodians of these lands we now call Bathurst, and we pay our respects to their Elders both past and present.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Core value highlight - Follow Instructions

It is a very important value for our students to follow instructions from both their parents and important adults. By following instructions students will learn strategies to keep themselves safe at all times. At school we use this visual and remind students by saying 'Are you following instructions?' or 'Well done, you listened well and have followed instructions.'

Follow instructions



Coffee Club

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Class 9 on their fabulous efforts on Friday mornings when they provide morning tea for the staff. It is wonderful to see the very useful skills these students are learning including; setting tables, taking money and giving change, serving customers, filling milk and sugar containers and making everyone feel very welcome and valued. Well done Mrs Sykes and Miss Wendy for teaching our students these lifelong lessons that will set them up for a future of successful work in their post school life.



Take care, Nadine

Teaching and Learning

It has been great to see everyone engaged in their learning this term. A big congratulations to the students who recently received Reading Awards. A reminder to keep reading and recording the books you have read for the 2021 Premiers Reading challenge.

Thank you to Wendy for all her work last term as a paraprofessional. All the students enjoyed working with her and made wonderful progress. However she missed Class 9 too much and has returned back to class Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

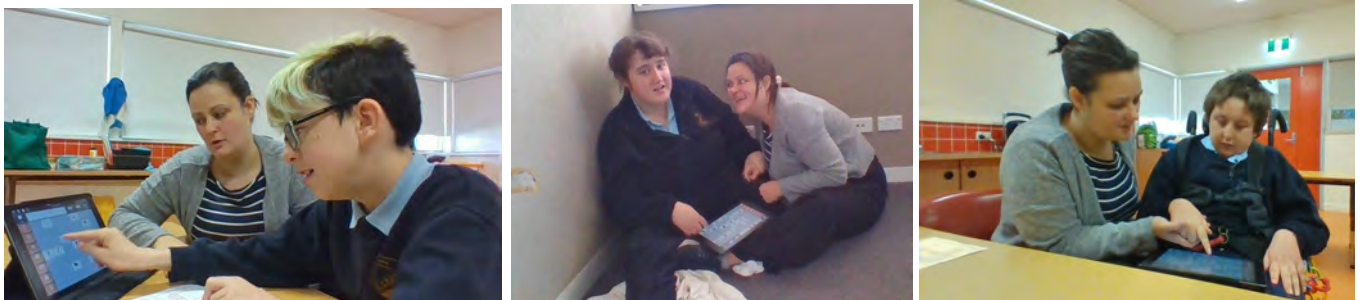
Welcome Hannah and Jodie to our paraprofessional team.

Jodie will be working with the MTC students as part of the COVID Intensive Learning Support Program 3 sessions a week. Hannah is supporting Carenne students during the last session each day.

Belinda Henry - Instructional Leader

Students across the school have been working very hard on improving their literacy skills. Everyone has had lots of fun using our snap core communication app to communicate with staff and students.

Miss Sam



I have thoroughly enjoyed working alongside all the dedicated and determined students to achieve their goals. A few of the goals we have been working towards include creative writing, segmenting and blending phonemes, jolly phonics and syllables. All the students loved the game-based activities using Kahoot, book widgets and various board games such as snakes and ladders. I can't wait to see more students achieve their targets!

Miss Mel





CLASS 1
Kylie McDonald (Teacher)
Marg Rowe (SLSO)



Our Term 3 Newsletter Poem

It's Dinosaur's Galore in Class 1,
 we have perfected our "ROAR" to scare everyone.

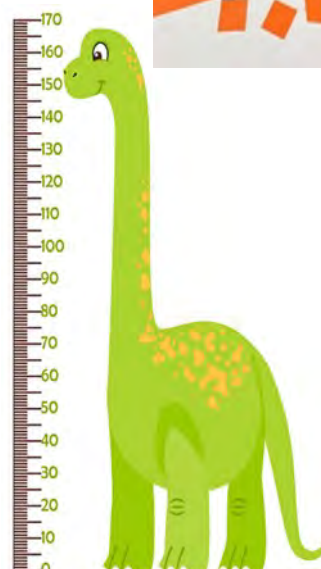
We used shapes and colours to make Dinosaur art,
 we measured our height using a Dinosaur chart.

We stomped and chomped to follow a beat,
 we made Dinosaur biscuits as a special treat.

We read about a sick Dinosaur named Fred,
 who stayed home being safe in his bed.

Goodbye Dinosaurs, it was so nice for a week,
 but McDonald and Rowe have a lot more work for us
 to complete.

Education Week for 2021 was lots of fun,
 congratulations to each student in Class 1, for all the
 learning that you have done.



CLASS 2

Janelle Kemp/Meg Turner-Mann (Teacher)
Yvette Smith (SLSO)

Class 2 have been enjoying a range of activities this term. Library and Music sessions have been a highlight for our students. Mrs Smith has been reading us stories and then having the students engage in a range of fun sensory activities. You can see Poppy playing with some rice in a tub – she loved the texture and feel of the rice.

Mrs Allen knows how to get the best from our students in music and arranges fun ways for them to produce music. You can see Scarlett drumming away on a car tyre. Using the tyres was a big hit with our kids and they had so much fun playing the drum music.

We have a new smartboard in our room which is really impressive. You can see Rayne using the Help Kidz Learn App to blow up and pop the balloons. Lots of fun!

Finally we would love to tell you about our Education Award Winner - Kai. Kai has won an award for his fabulous participation in school excursions, Pet Therapy and Music. He does a wonderful job staying with the group and following directions. We love seeing how much he gets out of these programs.

Thanks to all of our wonderful families from Class 2 for their ongoing support. We look forward to sharing some more of our Class 2 news with you later this term.



CLASS 3

Kerryn Cafe (Teacher)
Steph Cupples (SLSO)

Term three is well and truly under way. We have had quite a few students away at different times this term due to illness. We are all looking forward to the weather heating up so we can say goodbye to those Winter colds!

This term we are working on a growth and development unit in PD/Health. We are learning about the different systems in our body, the changes that happen to our body as we grow and the things we need to do to look after our bodies as they change. We have enjoyed watching some Olympic events which tied in nicely with our English text "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie" about the Sydney Olympics. We have been recording the medals Australia has won and practised shouting the 'Aussie, Aussie, Aussie' cheer.

Our HSIE unit this term is Australian Migration. We have talked about why people might want or need to leave their country and move somewhere else. We are currently reading the book 'The Little Refugee' in English groups and learning how Ahn Do came to Australia as a refugee from Vietnam. We continue to complete PBL activities, Maths groups and PE sessions. We have enjoyed going to the exercise equipment with Mrs Pringle for sport.



We had fun in the classroom when Mrs Gavin brought the animals to visit for a recent Pet Therapy session. It was way too cold and wet for us to visit the farm, so the farm came to us! Thanks Mrs Gavin!



CLASS 4
Sue Flude (Teacher)
Sarah Cheesman/Katherine Porter (SLSO)

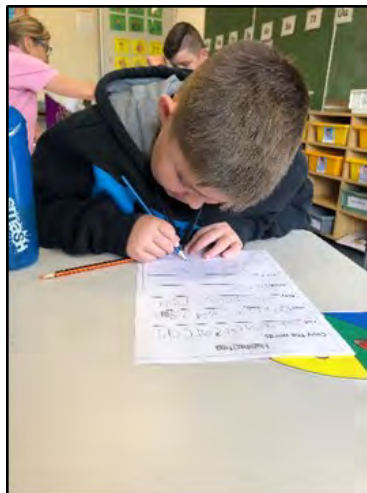
Hello everyone, Term 3 is flying by. Even though we have had quite a bit of coughs and colds in Class 4 everyone is doing well with hand washing, hand sanitizing, and remembering to use good hygiene rules.

This term we have continued with our Reading Activities. We have read the book 'Aussie, Aussie, Aussie' by Monica Brzezinski which tied in perfectly with the Tokyo Olympics. The students were able to watch some of the Olympic events throughout the day and I'm sure the whole school could hear us cheering.

This week we have started reading 'The little Refugee' by Ahn Do which compliments our HSIE unit on Australian Migration. We have investigated why people migrate to our wonderful country and we are researching amazing migrants and refugees such as Ahn and Khoa Do, Terri Irwin, Julia Gillard and Usman Khawaja.

We are continuing to learn our dance with Mrs Kemp for the Bathurst Eisteddfod, play a multitude of instruments with Ms Allen in music classes and are learning about miming and movement in drama activities.

We've all enjoyed having a visit from the Pet as Therapy animals. We have lot of fun patting and feeding them. It's been a busy start to the term, with lots more to come.

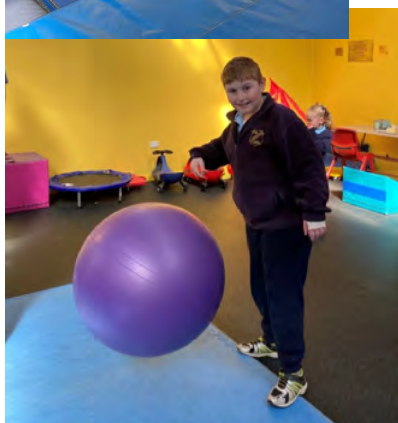
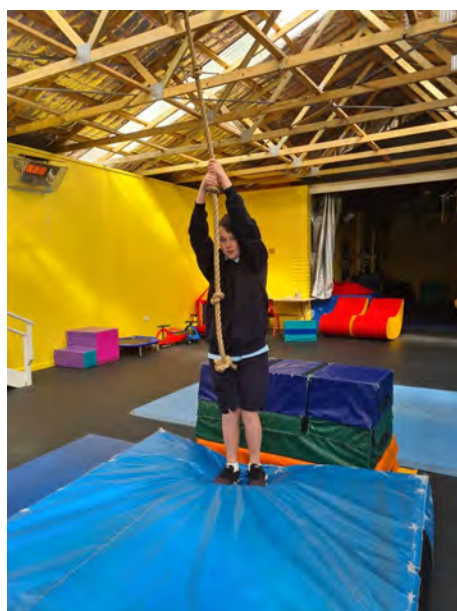


CLASS 10
Dezarae Bastow/Kelly Mills (Teacher)
Hannah Austin/Daniel Hawke (SLSO)

This semester Class 10 have begun learning about Ancient Greece in history. Class 10 have learnt where Greece is and some of the inventions the Ancient Greeks made such as; umbrellas, alarm clocks and robots. The students are enjoying learning about Ancient Greece and the people who made it famous. They are very engaged in the lessons!!



Because of this study, and because the Olympics are on (another legacy of the Ancient Greeks), we also had some fun in the sensory gym by having our own class Olympics!



CLASS 9
Peta Sykes/Julia Maher(Teacher)
Wendy Lynch/Riley Holland (SLSO)

This term Class 9 are learning about Ancient Greece in our History unit of work. We have integrated this theme throughout our English and Art subjects as well. In our English subject we are exploring stories about Ancient Greek myths and legends and mythical creatures. For Art the students have studied various Greek art forms and recreated their very own including decorating clay pots, pottery scratch art and making their very own air-drying clay vases.

Work experience is back to full swing and the students are loving participating in the canteen program as well as the TEACCH program. Allan and Kaiden have been kept very busy in Tech Mandatory as well while the work experience programs are running on a Wednesday. We have lots of fun things coming up in the term. We are off to a great start already.



CLASS 14

Anne Baskerville/Janet Allen (Teacher)
Kym Tattersall (SLSO)

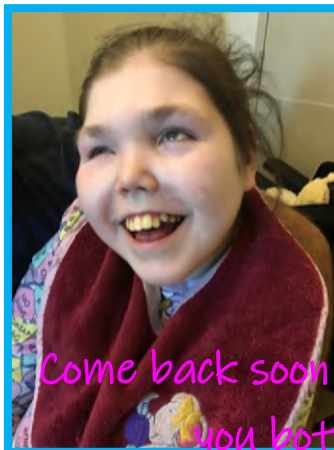
WOW! Term 3 already, where is the year going? Class 14 have been working so hard on all their individual programs and therapy programs. Our theme for this semester is 'Things that Move'. We will be looking at living and non-living things. We have been doing pulling, pushing and rolling with Ms Allen as well as her usual wonderful cooking and music. This week, like everyone else we have a focus on the Olympics, but we are looking at how the athletes move during their events.

We would like to congratulate Paige for receiving our class Education Week Award, Liam for receiving the Education Week Library Award and to Tamazin for receiving a very special Education Week Directors Award. We are all very proud of our classmates' fantastic efforts.

Miss Ellie is on the road to recovery after her surgery and we are all waiting to see her when she is well enough to return. Some more exciting news is that we have had a few visits from Kaydee when she is well enough to come. We can't wait until Class 14B once again has it's full compliment and we can continue to have fun, build on our friendships and learn and grow together.

Stay safe and keep smiling.

From the Class 14 Crew



Come back soon girls, we all miss you both heaps!

CLASS 13

Amanda Marshall (Teacher)

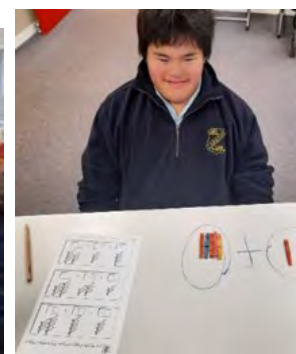
Kathleen Matheson/Toby Sloane (SLSO)

Class 13 has had a busy start to Term 3! Mr Oxley has moved to Sydney to take up a permanent teaching role, so Ms Marshall is taking the class for the rest of the year.

We have already achieved a lot this term. In Science, we have made slime and our own lava lamps while we investigate the different states of matter. Our slime was incredible, and we all enjoyed mixing and playing with it! Our lava lamps showed us what happens when we mix oil and water. We also tried adding glitter, which made a very interesting lava lamp! Mrs Monaghan will be continuing our Science unit with us on Tuesdays.

In English, History and Art, we are researching Ancient Greece. It is amazing how many items we use today that were invented all those thousands of years ago in Ancient Greece! We were especially impressed that the Ancient Greeks were the first people to discover cheesecake and are looking forward to making a modern version later in the term. We have investigated Greek myths and legends and we all loved the Pegasus. The Chimera, on the other hand, was quite frightening! The mythical creatures we designed ourselves were much more friendly.

We have been lucky enough to enjoy sport in the Gym with Mrs Pringle, and we are very excited to start gymnastics through Aspire in Week 6. To increase our daily fitness, we are participating in the Walk To Dubbo challenge and we are completing laps of the oval to cover the distance needed. It's lovely to get out in the sunshine on a cold Bathurst day!



CLASS 8

Aimee Sutton (Teacher)

Cade Turner-Mann (SLSO)

Class 8 is back! To start Term 3 Class 8 have been studying myths and legends of the Ancient Greeks in our English program. This has tied in with our History program where we have been learning about the lives of people in the Ancient Greek empire. Our class has particularly enjoyed Ms. Mills wonderful videos she has put together on the subject.

In our Art program we have been using information learned from our History and English lessons to craft pots from clay and paint them with figures from Greek myth. Apart from this strong focus on Greece, this term we have continued with our maths program and have recently completed our subject on 2D shapes and symmetry.

In Science we are learning about the states of matter and their properties, including slime! Class 8 had a great time making our own. We have also continued our Food Technology with a focus on food product development. Our recent attempt at DIY cold rock ice-cream seemed to be a success. It's been a great start, and we're looking forward to the rest of the term!



CLASS 5

Tania Pringle/Clare Moore (Teacher)

Karina Molenkamp (SLSO)

Class 5 have had a wonderful start to Term 3. Dylan and Daniel both received Education Week Awards. We have been working hard on our phonological awareness and increasing our reading levels. Some students have gained 2 levels in the past few weeks. We are super excited.

We have been participating in a virtual walking challenge to Dubbo Zoo. So far, our class has walked almost 20km. Our class has also been watching the Olympics. Posters, chants, athlete focus' and event investigations have enabled all students to gain a wonderful understanding of the Olympics and its historical significance in our lives.

Daniel, Maylee and Taylor have been working on a communication program called Snap Core First, which will give them another form of communication to use in their post school adventures. Matthew, Dylan and Josh have been enjoying work experience, engaging in mowing, folding and sorting, horsemanship and construction skills. They are all gaining skills to enable them to engage in a variety of post school opportunities.



CLASS 12

Leah Clements (Teacher)

Samantha Schofield/Kelly Robinson (SLSO)

Class 12 have had a great start to Term 3! They are enjoying learning about Ancient Greece with Mr Helm in History. We are learning about Ancient Greek Myths and Legends in English, such as Pandora and the box, and King Midas who turned everything to gold when he touched it. We have painted terracotta pots, made rainbow scratch art and sculpted pots from air-drying clay in Art. As part of our Maths work in money skills and making healthy food choices in Health, we have been going shopping at IGA for ingredients to make some delicious, easy and healthy lunches. We really liked the Cheesy Vegetable Fritters!

Ms Pringle has been doing activities with us in the gym for Sport, and we enjoy using the outside fixed exercise equipment when the sun is out! We have been listening to lots of stories to finish off our Premier's Reading Challenge. We are focusing on our writing skills or finding words on our communication devices; the students are doing really well using their communication apps. We have been looking at the different kinds of technology we use each day in Mandatory Technology, including how to take care of iPads. In Science we are looking at solids, liquids and gases, with some fun (and sometimes messy!) experiments. We celebrated all the great work the students do in Education Week, with special awards for Connor! Keep up the great work, Class 12!



CLASS 7
Christine Okello (Teacher)
Mick Phillips (SLSO)

Our class continues to work hard this term. Learning has been focussed on research, experimenting scientific procedures and learning about fine motor skills and endurance.

Students have also had lots of fun learning about three states of matter: liquid, solid and gas. Last week, they learnt about chemical reaction involving solid (baking soda) and liquid (vinegar). It was a nice experience for them to be able to create carbon dioxide. The emotional reaction of that sudden insight was puzzling.

Last but not least, in HSIE, students put to use our newly purchased 3-D printer. They made models of Australia's most popular landmark (Sydney Opera House) and landform (Uluru). Their finished work was excellent and we look forward to utilising this technology more often. A big thank you to Kade for explaining to, and showing his peers how the 3-D printer works.

In PDHPE, students have been learning fun activities using their fine motor skills. Congratulations to Mikey who managed 2 minutes and 17 seconds of balancing a wooden bar on one finger.



CLASS 11

Tegan Taylor (Teacher)

Rachelle French (SLSO)

Class 11 have had a very busy start to the term. This term we have had a major focus on reading and spelling, as part of our daily routine all students in class 11 will read a book and complete a spelling activity. We have seen huge growth and development by partaking in this activity. Well done boys!

In History, English and Visual arts we have been looking at Myths and legends, in particular Greek Mythology. The boys have loved learning about the Greek gods and goddesses. In particular the boys were very interested in learning about Pandoras box and what sorts of Mythical creatures that might live inside the mysterious box.



CLASS 6

Allison Couchman/Mrs Monaghan/ Ms Bermingham (Teacher)

Michelle O'Toole/Riley Holland (SLSO)

Term 3 is off and running. We can't believe how quickly the days seem to go. This term we welcomed Creed, Riley Holland (SLSO) and Ms Bermingham (RFF teacher) to our class.

We continue to focus on developing the skills necessary to effectively participate in the community post-school. We have been examining the numbers within numbers and different ways to represent numbers. We have all improved our phonological awareness skills and are utilising these skills when reading. We also participate in work experience each Wednesday and some of us have started or will soon commence work experience a second day a week.



Highlights of the term so far have been working with Mr C to build our new accessible garden and participating in weekly music lessons with Ms Allen. Through engaging in these activities, everyone has had the opportunity to learn new skills and to work collaboratively with others in the class.



Macquarie Tutorial Centre
Tim Graham (Teacher)
Jodie Toomey/Emily Cooper (SLSO)

Class 1 have had a great start to the Term and have continued to make improvements to the level of work they are completing. Students are remaining on task and focused for longer periods and are highly engaged with the Integrated Unit on Sustainability.

Tom has continued to work well at his work placement at 'Riverside Nursery' and often brings information back to discuss with staff. He has continued to look after the worm farm and is finding a new and sustainable use for our used coffee grinds. Tom received a major award at Education Week Assembly due to his hard work and effort placed in hosting the Carenne visit to the MTC garden.

Domanick has begun his work experience at Bathurst Toyota in their workshop and has begun learning what it is like to be a mechanic and we look forward to him furthering develop his skills in the coming weeks.

Nicholas and Shae have made improvements during literacy lessons and are working hard towards reaching their goals. Shae was recognised during Education Week for her effort and improvement in creative writing.

Class 1 has excelled with planning and budgeting for Thursday lunch. All students put in a big effort to feed the masses and worked well as a team. Tom was helpful and provided a famous family pie recipe for us to use while Grant took pride in making sure all orders were placed and meals served in a timely fashion.

Students at MTC have been highly engaged during music lessons with all students starting to learn a song on their chosen instrument. We have students learning the guitar, keyboard and Cajon with all making excellent progress.



Macquarie Tutorial Centre
Katie Moss/Katrina Johnston (Teacher)
Julie Buining/Paul Moran (SLSO)

Class 3 have been busy this Term learning and implementing new skills. There are a number of students who have been engaging in Work Experience opportunities at local businesses. The feed back that we are receiving is extremely positive and is helping students achieve future carer goals. Samuel is excelling at Café on Corporation where he is building positive relationships with his colleagues.

Luke is working hard at 'The Brew Café' and is making progress with his ability to make a range of barista coffees. Luke can confidently take orders and deal with people in the community in a friendly manner. Luke and Sam are learning skills that are being brought back to MTC and applied at our 'Fed up Café'.

Abby has been creating positive experiences at 'Mitchell's Early Learning Centre' where she is demonstrating patience and a dedication to helping support staff care for the children who attend.

Sarah is looking forward to starting her in-school work experience program at Carenne in the coming weeks.

Students have continued to engage with our sports program and are improving their general fitness. MTC have been improving their cardio through regular and challenging walks, multi-sports activities using our gym equipment and are looking forward to the upcoming gymnastics activities.

We have continued to impress ourselves with our Thursday lunches. Our latest feast was devoured by all with positive reviews about the lasagne, Caesar salad and trifle.

Students have continued to work well during art classes held at Carenne and are becoming more open to experimenting with different materials. They have been able to bring this attitude back and apply it to art lessons at MTC where all students have worked well and placed a large amount of effort into this semester's art program. Well done Class 3!



Art News

Clare Moore (Teacher)

Linda Jones (SLSO)

Students in the art room have been creating delightful “musical instrument” artworks (and we’ve also had time for a bit of a sing along)! We’ve made tambourines using a salad spinner, guitars and pianos from torn paper, oils pastels and paint, printed harps using gel pads and drawn spectacular African drums.

Recently, a group of students constructed eye-catching portraits using found objects. Check them out below.

The Art Committee are preparing for our **Student Art Exhibition and Fun Day** to be held on **Saturday 16th October 2021**. This popular event happens every two years and alongside the display of student artworks, there will be live music and a display of staff artworks. More information to follow (but put the date in your diary).

