What our students are learning - Science Day

Mrs Mibus intrigues these students with her experiment “Candle Rock”. This involved a candle being skewered in the middle, lit at both ends and suspended between 2 glasses. As the wax melted and dripped, one end became lighter thus giving a seesaw effect or “Candle Rock”. It also demonstrated the process of a solid (the candle) becoming a liquid (wax) and as it cooled became a solid again.

Mrs Fields experiment was called “Lava Lamp”. This involved a clean plastic bottle being 2/3 filled with water mixed with food colouring. It was then topped with vegetable oil. After waiting a few moments, the oil floats to the top because it is less dense, or lighter, than water thus demonstrating the density of liquids.

Our 2 first year student teachers, Miss Cameron and Mr Burn, assist on Science Day.

Sherbet making was the experiment chosen by Mr Membrey. The ingredients required are—jelly crystals, citric acid, icing sugar and bicarb of soda. Instructions were given as to amounts required and after tasting, you could either add sugar or an acid to get the right mix. When combined with saliva, it creates lots of tiny bubbles and that fizzy effect.

“How can we change ‘matter’?, we asked Mrs Lee. We ascertained that matter is either solid (ice), liquid (water) or gas (steam) and there are many ways objects can be changed. They can be changed by bending, twisting, squashing, stretching and heating. After lighting candles, small portions of crumpet were skewered and toasted over the flame of the candle. We all know crumpets need butter but we only had cream. Some vigorous shaking and hitting of the cream and it soon became butter. Problem solved. And finally we toasted marshmallows over the flame in order to melt. Enjoy.
National Asthma Week 2014

National Asthma Week is fast approaching and this year it will be taking place from 1—7 September 2014. Stay tuned for fundraising events or activities your school can get involved in.

Parents and Carers can now get educated in all things asthma!

As part of our new funding agreement with the Federal Dept. of Health, we are able to provide free asthma education sessions to parents and carers. These sessions can be conducted either at the school or at a convenient location for a group of parents and carers. For more information, please contact us on 1800-ASTHMA or schools@asthma.org.au. The session runs for approx. one hour and covers:

- Asthma triggers
- Signs and symptoms
- Asthma action plans
- Asthma medication
- Asthma First Aid

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