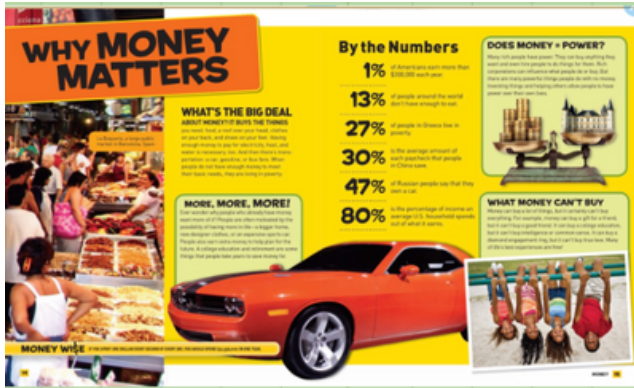


# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SENIOR SCHOOL?



## LITERACY AND NUMERACY UPDATES

In Content Knowledge last week we began our new topic: Understanding Business. We read about the history of money, the costs associated with making financial decisions and consumer wants and needs.

In Text Construction last week we practised using the 4 sentence types, subordinating conjunctions and appositives to write interesting and informative topic sentences, which were then used when writing two SPOs later on in the week. Students used their new knowledge to write an SPO each on consumer Wants (consumerism) and consumer Needs (consumption).

In Maths last week we classified 2D shapes, then measured and labelled their internal and external angles. We also explored capacity using shape nets during a popcorn challenge that all our students really enjoyed!

We also introduced the Banqer program last week where students are able to practice and develop their financial literacy skills using a simulation. So far we have explored Income from Employment, Banking (including Term Deposits, Overdrafts & Interest), Superannuation & Tax.



### SKILL IN FOCUS:

Across the school day, but most particularly during Content Knowledge, we often practise reading aloud. As students get older, they tend to read silently (in their heads) which doesn't provide opportunities to practise fluency, pronunciation and overall comprehension. Students in the Senior school read aloud each day: to a partner, to their teacher, as a whole class or during choral reading. Students are also encouraged to read aloud at home!



### UPCOMING FOCUS

Content Knowledge: Financial Literacy & Advertising: their effects on consumer decisions.

Text Construction: Writing cohesion and using evidence to support opinion.

Maths: BODMAS.