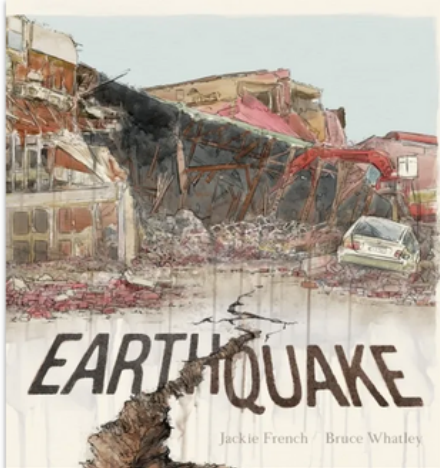


# MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## LITERACY & NUMERACY



This week in Content Knowledge the Middle School will be continuing to explore a series by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley: The Natural Disaster series. The students have been enjoying reading about earthquakes, cyclones, drought. In Text Construction students are using figurative language to enhance their writing and make it more engaging. Alliteration, rhyme, repetition and similes are some of the techniques practised this week.

In Numeracy we are building knowledge about Data and Statistics by completing a week-long project. Students will collect data, represent it with a graph and then analyse it.

## SKILL IN FOCUS: RESILIENCE

In our Personal Learning sessions we have explored the skill of resilience using the Circle of Control. This activity supports students to identify things they have control over and can influence or change, and those things that they cannot and therefore require resilience. This is an excellent activity to build on at home or in the context of after school sports. What can you control during a cricket game? What is beyond your control during a cricket game?



**The Outside Ring:** This is where you put the things that are out of your control, things that you can't do anything about.

**The Middle Ring:** This is where you put the things that you may have some influence over but they are not fully in your control.

**The Inner Ring:** This is where you put the things that you can control, things that you can change if you need to.

## UPCOMING LEARNING

Content Knowledge & Text Construction: Ecology and the Environment

Numeracy: Data

House Sports: Sportsmanship & Teamwork

Personal Learning: The Zones of Regulation & Resilience

Indigenous Studies: Wathaurong language