

# MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## LITERACY & NUMERACY

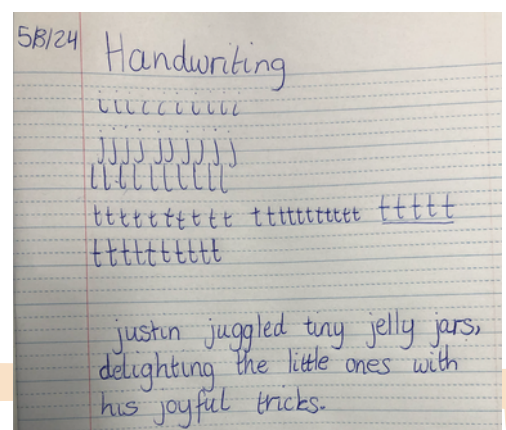
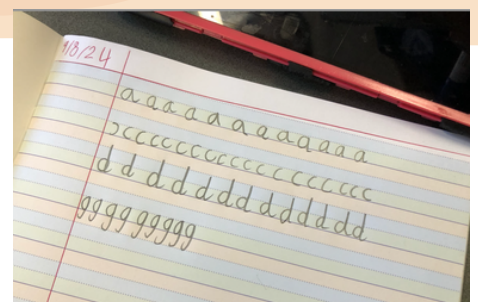
This week in Content Knowledge the Middle School is beginning an exciting new topic: The Classification of Plants and Animals. We will continue to practise reading these new texts with fluency and identify any 'bug words' that may take a little extra time to decode. These 'bug words' could be a heart word with a tricky spelling choice or some new vocabulary that we haven't seen before.

In Text Construction students are continuing to demonstrate neat bookwork which includes the correct formation of letters. We will also spend time revising appositives, subordinating conjunctions and compound sentences to provide detail to our writing. In Numeracy we are exploring Measurement; specifically Length. We have revised estimating, using metric units of measurement and identifying when we would use them in various contexts.

## SKILL IN FOCUS: HANDWRITING

Legible handwriting is essential for clear communication at school. We use the Victorian Modern Cursive handwriting framework to structure our handwriting instruction. Correct letter formation and neat spacing help students express their ideas effectively.

Parents can support their child's handwriting at home by encouraging regular practice and positive feedback to build confidence and proficiency. Your child could write the shopping list, takeaway order, or a reminder note.



## UPCOMING LEARNING

Content Knowledge & Text Construction: Classification of Plants and Animals.  
Numeracy: Measurement  
House Sports: Sportsmanship & Teamwork  
Personal Learning: The Zones of Regulation & Resilience  
Indigenous Studies: Indigenous Australians who have impacted Country and culture.