What’s Happening with the Optimistic Wolves

It’s been a busy start to the year in the 4/5/6 classroom. Students chose Optimism as the characteristic they most wanted to embody this year, and a wolf pack hunting for knowledge as a metaphor for their learning journey. Our motto is:

We use effective strategies to hunt for knowledge. We keep our heads up and we are loyal. We are the Optimistic Wolves.

Students worked together to make our TEAM booklet. Special mention goes to Anton and Andes who did an amazing job of designing a class logo.

Last week several students participated in the District Swimming Carnival. Whether students struggled to complete their races or breezed through to gain a place, the common factor was the courage and determination that they displayed. Jaiden typified this spirit when he raced by himself (places were chosen based on times from two races, and there were no other competitors in the second race). It must have been hard to be the only person in the pool, knowing that a lot of people were watching him swim, but he rose to the occasion and even received a place. Well done to all who participated.

Students have been working on a variety of tasks, including a sketch story, buddy activities with the new prep students, and a vegetable garden design contest.

Although leadership roles have not yet been assigned, several students are showing that they intend to be leaders in the school regardless of any official position. Krista has been doing a fantastic job of including younger students when taking care of the chickens, and Carina, Isabella and Angus have been running Mission X activities at lunch time. Well done!

We have two new students to the school in the Optimistic Wolves. I feel confident that Ryan will also be shown the warm welcome that Andes has received. Above all else this spirit of friendliness and inclusion bodes well for the year ahead and makes this group of learners a pleasure to work with.