This term has been another busy one. We have been looking at how we are globally connected with others from around the world and how we can help people from other countries through getting involved with different organisations.

In maths we have been looking at fractions and have used this knowledge to find the fractional parts of the flags of different countries.

Here is an explanation that Luke gave for working out the fractional parts of the flag below (we ignored the star):

“We can draw a line vertically where the blue square ends. We can also draw another line halfway between there and the other end of the flag. This gives us six squares that are all the same size. Three out of 6 squares are red that is 3/6 which is ½. 2 out of 6 squares are white which is 2/6 or 1/3. The remaining square is blue which is 1/6.”

Sophie, Alex P, Sebastian, Karla, Chloe, Dakota and Jaidyn had to find the fractional parts of this flag. They divided it into thirds and imagined that they could move all of the little red triangles that were sticking out into the white section over to the red side. This would make 1/3 of the flag white and 2/3 of the flag red. What a clever bunch of kids!

This term we also had our athletics carnival. We had many successes with lots of our students going through to the zone competition.
The 4-6 dance group performed at Laycock St Theatre in June and had an absolute ball. They danced beautifully and I got lots of compliments on their beautiful behaviour. I look forward to another great year next year.

The class have also been helping me to get the IPads ready for use in the classroom by helping to make a timetable, research and test apps using my own personal IPad and developing rule for using them.

We became scientists again when we went up to the high school to examine poo! Don’t worry, it wasn’t real poo. The poo was filled with interesting bits and pieces that helped us to decide what civilisation it came from. The kids had a ball digging through it but it did smell just a little bit horrible (vegemite will do that).

Next term we will finally be able to use our new IPads in the classroom. We also have the concert coming up and many other exciting things.