MARVELOUS 6SM

6SM have been very busy again this term. The class have been involved in the production of the year book, have produced some amazing artworks and have been hard at work learning everything else they need to know before they go to high school.

In week 6, all students were given a profile that told them their name, occupation, age, who in the class was their partner, the ages and names of their children and where they needed to live. Using this information, they had to investigate how much the bank would lend them, the percentage of their wage that they can sensibly spend on a home loan and what the fortnightly repayments would be. They then looked for a house together and repeated the process to buy a car. Some people found it difficult to work with their “partner” and quickly asked if they could please have a divorce. Kevin Crudd (our prime minister) changed some laws in the classroom (some of which were very popular) and was rather dismayed and frustrated that Kenny Coles (the owner of the Coles supermarket chain) still earned more than him. Benny Barbara (a footy player) got rather frustrated with the fact that his wife Christine Curls (a hairdresser) had 10 chihuahuas and wanted to buy a large snake to cut down the numbers. Sally Stool was a bit embarrassed that her husband was a “poo scientist” (a gastroenterologist). There were many other funny happenings in the class and the kids learned a lot
about budgeting and basic maths concepts like percentages, decimals, fractions, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

We have also started a money rewards system (fake money) where children are rewarded or fined based on behaviour. This is working very well to focus the class and improve their quality of work.

This term, we have been working on Expositions. The class worked in groups to write a letter to the principal, councillor or prime minister to argue why something needs to be changed.

We enjoyed going to CARES and learning a lot about safety on the road. We also participated in a Science Day in the high school where students joined us from neighbouring schools to get a bit of a taste of what’s to come next year. We are really looking forward to going to Milson Island next term.