November is Picture Book Month!

Picture book month is an international initiative that celebrates the print picture book during the month of November. Each day during November, teachers will be reading a picture book to their class. Why not join in the celebrations and read a picture book together as a family each night. At Hargraves Public School we believe you are never too old to enjoy a picture book!

In celebration of Picture Book Month the staff thought they would share their favourites.

Mrs Rae....

“My Farm” written and illustrated by Alison Lester has been Mrs Rae’s favourite picture book since she first read it to her 3 children in 1992 when it was first published. It tells the story of a family who live on a farm and all the fun the children have with their ponies. The many adventures the children in the story have, gave Mrs Rae’s own children lots of mischievous ideas including riding their ponies under the clothes line and grabbing onto it. Jessica even tried to hypnotise the chooks just like Charlie in the story! My Farm became the family’s favourite picture book and was read over and over again.

Sue... 

Sue’s book “Bunny Blue” was written by Catherine Stahlmann and illustrated by Ruth Thompson van Tellinger. It was a present for her 5th birthday from her brother and is one of her favourites.
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**P & C News** — A note asking for help with this year's Village Christmas Tree is attached to this newsletter.

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**In the Infants Room**

Kindergarten and Year 1 did a group re-write with Mrs Price in Reading to Learn (R2L) this week of a magazine poem. We looked at poetry rhythm and rhyming and giving objects personalities. This is their re-write:

Can you see the bright stars?
Can you see the sparkle—the sparkle of the stars?
Can you see them twinkling in the dark night sky?
Can you see them shining?
Can you see them bright?
Can you hear them sharing the secrets in the night?
I can see them dancing as they shine from afar
I can’t see their brightness but I can’t see where they are.

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**Goodbye Miss Odgers**

On Tuesday the children and staff said “Goodbye” to Miss Odgers who is moving to Queensland over the Christmas holidays.

Miss Odgers has been the Computer and Creative Arts teacher at Hargraves for many years. She began in a voluntary capacity ten years ago - teaching art. She then completed her teacher training at university and became a part time member of our staff. During her time at Hargraves the children have won many competitions and have exhibited some outstanding works in galleries and exhibitions.

The technology skills of our students have progressed in leaps and bounds since Miss Odgers began teaching computers.

She was presented with flowers and a card signed by the children.

We wish her all the very best as she embarks on the next phase of her life.

Thank you Miss O— you will be greatly missed!

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**HARGRAVES VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE**

Come and join us on

**Saturday 20th December 2014**

Starting at 5pm at the Recreation Ground

There will be a barbeque, chocolate wheels & raffle.

Everyone is welcome for a wonderful evening

*Santa will be arriving at 7pm*

*Barbeque from 5pm*

*Steak & sausage sandwiches*

*& soft drink available*

*Enquiries - Kim Bastow 6373 8264*

Every effort has been made to contact all local families with children aged from 0 to Year 6. Please let all your friends know to check if their children are on Santa’s gift list at the shop

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**Student of the Week**

Ebony Roach

for working hard on her

“War Horse” book review