



# ST MARY'S SCHOOL

## Mother's Day Afternoon at St Mary's School

Last Friday, the students of St Mary's School paid tribute to the lovely mums, nannas and aunts in their lives.

Mums were pampered with homemade hand scrub massages, planted succulents to brighten their day, made beautiful necklaces, and had beautiful thoughts written about them.

Finally, we entertained them with two songs that we learnt with our talented Mrs Mulgrew.

Thank you to all the ladies who came in to be indulged by our students. We hope you had a wonderful day.





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## Year 5/6 Class



The Year 5/6 Class has been working extremely hard this year. In the area of Writing, we have focused on producing persuasive texts, with the students making use of a variety of persuasive devices and reasons to convince the reader of their argument.

The areas of Economics and Business, and Reading have seen the class focus on the theme of Sustainability, and the ways in which we can maintain a healthy planet for future generations. This included a heavy focus on our roles as the consumers and our roles in making decisions that can affect what is supplied by producers. We learnt about the impact of certain materials on the environment, like plastic bags in relation to fishing, and identified different solutions to these problems. As a part of this unit of work, the students created Solar Cookers out of recycled materials, making use of the renewable energy source of the sun.

In the area of History, we have been looking closely at the Federation of Australia, learning about the key reasons behind our country's Federation, the key events and the key individuals involved in the process. We are currently working very hard on our Class Assembly, which focuses on the story of Federation.

In the learning area of Mathematics, the class has continued its focus on perimeter and area, converting between different units within the metric system and converting decimal representations to the metric system. As a class we have learnt the meanings of the Latin word roots, that are made use of in the metric system of measurement, including milli, centi and kilo. The students have excelled themselves learning about the outer world, and the use of other systems of measurement for length and area, such as the Imperial System of measurement.

Overall, the Year 5/6 students have continued to work hard in all aspects of schooling. Below are some photographs of the end product of our classes Solar Cookers.

