Mrs Hoogie’s F-1

We welcome Mr Read into our classroom. He is a second year student teacher from Deakin University and has been playing ukulele and singing to us! We are very fortunate to have him teach and assist in our grade.

We were also lucky enough to have Coopy Bly from Uganda come and visit us as. He is a famous Singer who got us all dancing and singing. We learnt about the 3 distinct sounds you can make on a drum and we joined with him to make many happy and colourful rhythms. We also learnt a lot about Africa.

For our inquiry learning we decided to do a ‘minibeast hunt’ around the school, gloves and all! We looked at 3 different areas and collected data on the types of minibeasts we could find. It was evident that the compost was the most popular habitat for ‘minibeasts’ to live. We even saw a mole cricket, which we thought looked more like a ‘MEGABEAST!’ We will now be looking at graphing our data.

Last week in Mathematics we began looking at Australian coins, talking about the origin of currency and how currency is made in Australia. We then learnt about the coin values and ordered them from least to most valuable. We played games to help us and we have been busy setting up our shop ready to trade. We will continue to use money for the next while and practice counting the money by 5’s and 10’s. We will also be learning about different ways to make a dollar.

In English we continue to look at rhyming words and poetry. We have also become ‘fact finders’ and will continue to research all kinds of information about weather, senses and minibeasts.

St Johns First Aid came to train the students last week. The students learnt about what an emergency is and how to call for help in an emergency.