

Coconut Crab Class

November 2023



November brought the well-rehearsed presentation day at Obuchi Elementary and another month of intense learning.

In Literacy we started the exciting novel "The Nowhere Emporium" by Ross MacKenzie, which follows the exciting magical journey of young Daniel who traverses time and space with the enigmatic Lucien Silver and his Daughter Ellie. We wrote a range of text genres for this unit including setting descriptions, newspaper articles, imaginary interviews and fully-featured advertisement posters. Mr David has been teaching Literacy to our two new French students, focusing primarily on speaking and listening as both are new to English. We have looked at a number of children's stories and they read to a teacher every day.

In IPC we continued our study of inventors and explorers; we wrote biographies of Christopher Columbus, tracking his journey across the seas, then we discussed and created presentations about the Spanish conquest of South America and the lasting legacy to this day. We presented our work to our fellow students from the younger years and designed kahoot quizzes to test if they had been listening! We also made our own functional astrolabes. In Science we continued our studies of the periodic table, looking further into the Alkali Metals, Halogens and Noble Gases groups in more detail - specifically focusing on their properties in comparison to each other and their everyday uses.

In Mathematics we've begun everyone's favourite unit: Fractions, Decimals and Percentages! We started out with Fractions and the assorted skills such as equivalence, simplifying, ordering, adding/subtracting/multiplying etc.

