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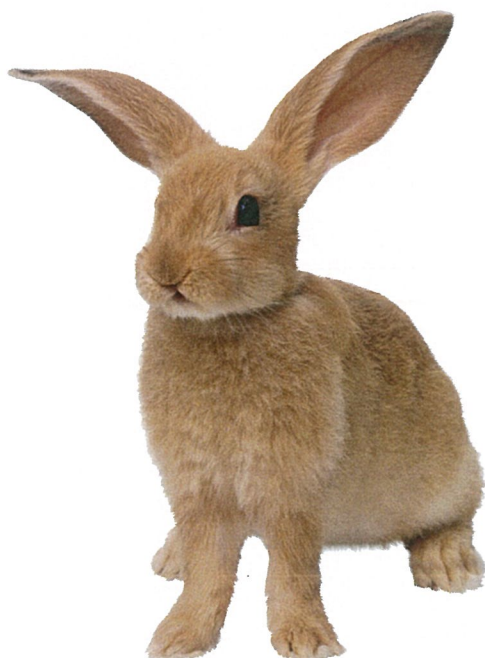


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Let's Have Some Fun With Some Easter Jokes!

What do you get if you pour hot water down a rabbit hole?

Hot cross bunnies!

How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?

EGG-xercise and HARE-robics!

What's the difference between a counterfeit bank note and a crazy rabbit?

One is bad money, the other is a mad bunny!

Why did the Easter egg hide?

He was a little chicken!

EASTER

Knock knock

Who's there?

Esther

Esther who?

Esther Bunny!



How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket?

Only one – after that it's not empty any more!

Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke?

It might crack up!

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Easter Treats!

Ingredients to make cute baby chicken nests:

- 7 oz. jar of marshmallow cream
- 1/4 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1 3/4 tbsp. butter, melted
- 2 1/2 chow mein noodles
- 1 cup Plain M&M's, chopped
- 1 cup Peanut M&M's

Directions:

Chop the Plain M&M's into smaller pieces using a large knife. Walking the knife across the candy in a similar manner to chopping herbs works fairly well.

Set the chopped candies aside to be added later. Add the marshmallow cream, peanut butter, and melted butter to a mixing bowl and beat until evenly mixed.

Add the chow mein noodles and the chopped M&M's to the creamed mixture and stir in by hand. Stir the mixture until the chow mein noodles and M&M's are coated evenly. Using a heaping tablespoon of the mixture, drop a mound onto a lightly buttered cookie sheet.

Add Peanut M&M's/Chocolate eggs to each nest to make them look like they are filled with eggs. Set them aside to allow them to firm up. Now you can eat them and decorate for Easter.



Ingredients to make delicious Easter Bunny carrots:

- Strawberries
- Bag of orange melts
- Orange sugar

Directions:

1. Rinse strawberries and let dry completely.
2. Melt candy melts in bowl.
3. Dip each strawberry into the candy melts, making sure to cover the entire strawberry but leave the stem free of candy.
4. Place on wax paper once dipped. Dip all strawberries and let dry on wax paper.
5. Carefully take spoonfuls of melted candy and drizzle each candy covered strawberry with a little extra melted candy
6. Sprinkle orange sugar on all strawberries.
7. Let set in the refrigerator for at least 30 minutes prior to serving! Enjoy!!!!



SPORTS UPDATE!

CROSS COUNTRY WINNERS & SWIMMING RECORDS!

CROSS COUNTRY WINNERS 2017:

BOYS

1ST OVERALL

KINDY: HUGH (KANGAROOS)

YR 1/2: AUSTIN (BANDICOOTS)

8/9 YRS: JOSEPH (EMUS)

10 YRS: ZAC (KOOKABURRAS)

11 YRS: MILO (GREAT WHITE SHARKS)

12 YRS: TOM (CROCODILES)

GIRLS

1ST OVERALL

KINDY: MADDIE (KANGAROOS)

YR 1/2: UNA (BANDICOOTS)

8/9 YRS: POLLY (KOOKABURRAS)

10 YRS: SASKIA (KOOKABURRAS)

11 YRS: SOPHIE (COCKATOOS)

12 YRS: PRESLEY (GREAT WHITE SHARKS)

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RECORD BREAKERS 2017

SOPHIE MYLES: 11YEARS BACKSTROKE

LAYLA SMITH: OPEN AGE 100M FREESTYLE;

12 YEARS 50M FREESTYLE; &

12 YEARS 50M BREASTSTROKE.

WELL DONE EVERYBODY THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE CARNIVALS.

Parliament Update

Writing Competition

From the 8th – 24th of March the School Magazine committee held a writing competition for years 2-6 and a drawing competition for Kindergarten and year 1. Lots of kids entered producing some high quality entries. We had a tough job deciding on our final winners.

Years 2-6 Writing Competition

1st Place - Jessica in year 3 Cassowaries

2nd Place - Emily in year 3 Emu's and

3rd Place - Isabella in year 2 Bilbies.

Years K-1 Drawing Competition

1st Place – Sabine in Kindergarten Kangaroos

2nd Place - Maddie in Kindergarten Kangaroos and

3rd Place - Alex in year 1 Numbats.

Music quiz

On Thursday 16th of March in week 8, term 1 the Education Ministry ran a music quiz. They had lots of people enter. Their selection of music included the latest songs and some old songs. The aim was to play a song and the team had to guess what song it was. They then had to write it down on their piece of paper. There was a bonus point for guessing the artist. The winners were the Ice creams - Greta, Presley, Bridget and Lucy. They did very well with a whopping 36 points out of a possible 40.

Crazy Hair Day

On Monday 27th of March in week 10 the Treasury and Charities Ministry's combined and ran Crazy Hair day. The kids could come to school with crazy hair and/ or get it sprayed all types of colours on arrival. It was a gold coin donation to take part and all the money raised went to the Leukaemia Foundation. On top of the \$360 raised through Crazy Hair day, Tom S from the crocodiles (our male Prime Minister) shaved his hair off and raised another \$2,077.50 through online personal donations. Well Done Tom!

Talent Quest

On Tuesday 4th April in week 11 the Social Functions Ministry held a talent quest. There were at least 15 acts. Everyone was so talented which made choosing the winners very hard. The winners were:

1st Place - Jess in year 3 Cassowaries;

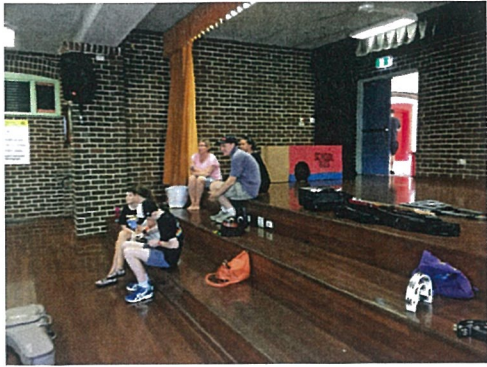
2nd Place - Oliver in Year 6 Great White Sharks;

3rd Place was a tie between Thomas E in year 3 Cassowaries and Milo & Bede in Year 5 Great White Sharks.

Clean Up Australia Week

Clean up Australia week was very successful the school was very clean after the school kids worked hard on picking up as much rubbish as possible.

Photo Page 1



Supporting the Jam



The workers - Crazy Hair



Crazy Hair Day



The card trick



Jess



Oliver



What was that answer



Trivia is fun



Trivia in action



Working at Trivia



Tom before Shave



Tom after Shave

Photo Page 2



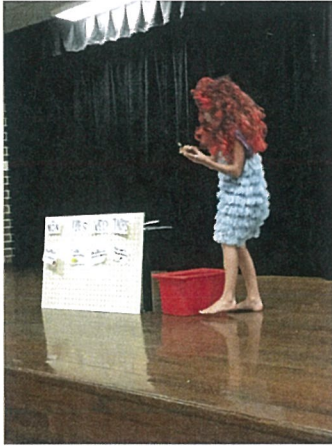
This is dancing



Dancing queens



Fergus



Talented performer



More Talent



Dance at the talent Quest



Working at the Jam



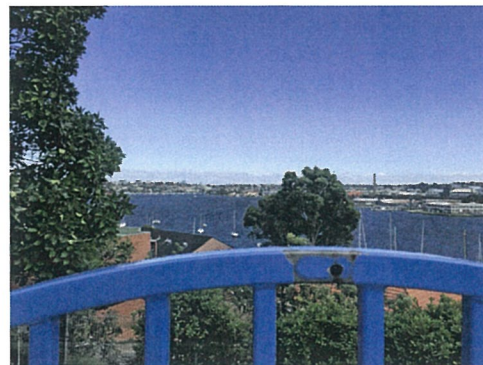
Performing at the Jam



This years Parliament



View from the playground



View from the play bridge



The quiet green area

60 Second Questions

Miss Taksa

- ✚ Favourite colour: Green
- ✚ Favourite food: Watermelon or Chocolate
- ✚ Dream job when a kid: Artist
- ✚ Favourite subject: English
- ✚ Favourite day of the week: Friday
- ✚ Favourite flavoured ice-cream: Mango
- ✚ Favourite place: Paris or Santa Fe
- ✚ Where she was born: Sydney
- ✚ Favourite place in the school: My class (possums)
- ✚ Favourite sport: Netball

Mr Press

- ✚ Favourite colour: Orange
- ✚ Favourite food: Curry
- ✚ Dream job when a kid: Baker
- ✚ Favourite subject: Maths or Sport
- ✚ Favourite day of the week: Friday
- ✚ Favourite flavoured ice-cream: Rum Raisin
- ✚ Favourite place: On a Hockey Field
- ✚ Where he was born: Bathurst
- ✚ Favourite place in the school: Play Equipment
- ✚ Favourite sport: Hockey

K-1 Drawing Competition

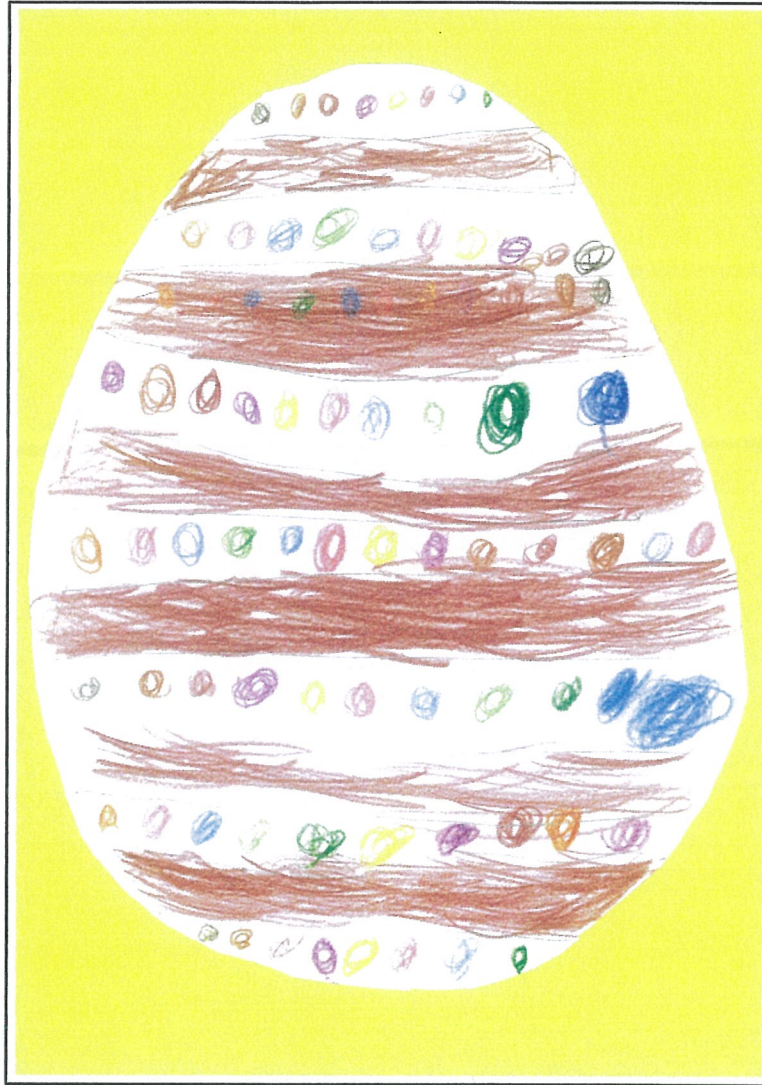
1st Place – Sabine (Kangaroos)



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DIY

Ever get confused with other peoples pencil? Well with this quick and easy tip you will be sure that it's is your pencil. Follow a few steps

1. Get some washi tape of your choice from your local \$2 store.
2. Cut the tape to fit your pencil/pen.
3. Stick the tape onto your pen/pencil so you can no longer see the original design on your object.



A Talent for Chocolate

By Jessica O - 3 Cassowaries

If you have one little wish, what would you ask for? I'm all for sugar, chocolate and icing butter. Cinnamon, vinegar, vanilla and rosemary.

My name is Delphine Marceau and, three weeks ago, I was an orphan at the Cent Familles Orphanage in Paris.

I'm telling you, that place is awful. It is tinier than a granny flat and it stunk a terrible stink of super old coffee. And it's so busy that they would have never noticed if I was away for a year, let alone 30 days.

That's when I finally decided to escape from the dreadful place and try my chances.

Leaving it as a speck in the distance gave me courage. I can find a real home alone, can't I? Well, I definitely had faith in myself at the time and that's all that counted.

I'm on the streets. Alone. In front of the Notre Dame cathedral. Have you ever wondered what it feels like to have no family, be stranded in the middle of a fairly busy city and have no clue what time or day it is? Ok. Maybe you haven't. But seriously, it does not feel any good.

That strange, warm brick building came just in the nick of time.

A factory. A chocolate egg factory built in the 1850s. The door was unlocked, which was weird, but I let myself in all the same.

I suddenly felt a desire to cook. So, I opened the tiny fridge. If I could escape from a highly protected orphanage in Europe, I could probably manage to bake a chocolate or two. How hard could it be?

Turns out, very hard.

I think I'm getting the hang of it now but I still have some small questions. Does butter go with the sugar, or sugar with the eggs? When I added sugar with the eggs, it all blew up. So, I think I've got a pretty good idea of the answer. So far, I've made a mint-chocolate giant egg, a spice-herb mix for a new choc-spice egg, a never-ending tiny mixed egg (my best experiment) and three normal chocolate eggs.

As I already said, this place is strange. There are pieces of paper everywhere and on them are bits of ripped photos of the Easter Bunny. I didn't believe in that rabbit before but now with those things around, be sensible, who wouldn't?

I decided to explore and soon I had covered every inch of the entire place. That mysteriously-cute bunny was popping up everywhere. It was freaking me out. Have you ever seen a face so often that it somehow becomes super-duper scary no matter how fluffy or cute it is? If you have, you know how strange I feel this very minute.

Five seconds later (which felt like one), I heard an ear-piercing, glass-shattering scream. I froze. Had my eggs run away with some legs and arms? Had the spice, herb mix exploded (again)? No! Worse. Someone had arrived.

She was a woman. After a second look, I saw that someone was with her. At the time, I thought crouching and hiding was the best thing to do, but now I realise there could have been better options.

The people were a smudge blurry. Of course, the clues that I was in the factory were still here. 1) The eggs. 2)The mix 3) The messy benchtop and 4) whatever else happened to be around. This was the worst mistake. I turned the pot I was crouching behind to try and see the people better but, unfortunately, it made a terrible scraping sound on the dusty, wooden floor. As you would think, they were next to me in an instant.

"Please don't take me back to the orphanage," I prayed.

When they heard me, I'd dropped to the floor but it wouldn't have made any difference. We were all in shock.

I was the first one to recover.

"I'm so sorry," I cried.

"It's ok. Just leave," the young lady replied.

So, I did. But not for long. I popped back in and cleaned the bench.

"Wait!" This time it was a man's voice. It must be her husband. "These eggs are delicious. Can we have the recipe?" he mumbled through a mouthful.

"Angus!" the woman sighed.

I put my recipe on the table and quickly scurried away. Where should I stay now?

I saw them looking out of the window at me, which was embarrassing. Then a third, much younger face popped up. It was a child.

The weather was freezing. I suddenly longed to go back inside. There was something about that place that felt calming and normal. I *had* to go back.

I went back inside. The warmth came back.

"You're a good cook," said the man, when he noticed me again.

They didn't seem too upset that I had gone in without permission, used their ingredients and stayed for three nights.

The family seemed to like my company a lot.

The Easter Bunny, I learnt, was real and this factory was basically the heart of the whole annual chocolate celebration. The factory was where the Easter Bunny picked up the eggs and delivered them all over France. Fortunately, from then on, for two hours a day, I cooked and baked chocolates with them.

Soon, I learned that the child was called Wendy, the Mum Sophie and the man, which I now know is the Dad, is called Angus. I remember Sophie mentioning his name when we first met. That felt like last year.

We cooked all sorts of baked goods. Hot cross buns, cookies, bread and things like that. It was the best thing that had ever happened to me and guess what? The orphanage knew nothing about it, which made me laugh so hard that I thought everything else in the world was funny for an hour.

Then something happened that was super distressing and upsetting:

One day, the family took me to a place 10kms away. A familiar place 10kms away. The Cent Familles orphanage. I screamed in my throat as they took me to an office.

I was left in this room alone as they family went to talk to the staff. I was worried that they were returning me to the orphanage.

I felt like someone had given a bag of puzzle pieces and they were all from different puzzles that wouldn't fit together in a million years. But then, the pieces started to come together in my mind (amazingly) and there was only one answer, a thrilling answer: ADOPTION!

So, I went home with the family and got a home with them.

My timing had also been perfect. My escape, just a month before Easter, had allowed me to teach myself how to make chocolates and bond with my new family. That night, it was the night before Easter and guess what?

The Easter Bunny came.

All those eggs, Hot Cross Buns and cookies we had made were handed to him and he made sure they were delivered all over France.

My new and happy family went on to bake, day and night, for years and years to come. And every Easter was even more special than the last.

That is how my story with Wendy, Angus and Sophie started.

I can't wait to see what tomorrow brings.

The End

Easter Poem

By Emily (Emus)

I love the Easter bunny,

He's really funny.

His tail is fluffy and white,

And he always stays out of sight.

This year my birthday is on Easter Sunday,

And it will be a really fun day.

The Easter Bunny will leave a chocolate trail,

And me and my brothers will find them all without fail!

We will eat up the chocolate until we can't eat anymore,

But pretty soon we will finish it all for sure!!



The Easter Bilby Saves Easter!!

By Isabella B (Bilbies)

It was two days before Easter in Easter egg land and the Easter Bunny and the Easter Bilby were getting ready for Easter. In the factory they were packing millions of Easter eggs into baskets. At the end of the day, everyone in Easter Egg Land was so tired they went to bed early.

That night while everyone was sleeping, Mr Millipede crept into the factory and stole all the Easter eggs. He worked for the Ice Queen, who wanted to steal all the eggs in Easter Egg Land to make chocolate ice - cream. He went into the escape tunnel in the floor. The tunnel led straight to the castle of the Ice Queen.

In the morning when the Easter Bilby got up she noticed lots of footprints in the Easter egg factory but no Easter eggs!! So she woke the Easter Bunny and showed him all the footprints in the factory. They looked for more clues.

They followed all the footprints and chocolate marks to the escape tunnel and went down inside. They saw lots and lots of footprints. There were also a lot of chocolate Easter eggs that had been dropped.

The Easter Bilby said “ I think I know who did this – Mr Millipede! I think we might be at the Ice Queen’s castle soon and you know what the Ice Queen might be like if she sees us in her castle. She will be so mad she will probably turn us into ice! So lets be careful, especially when we are near the ice-o-lators.”

They kept walking until they reached the end of the tunnel. “ We’re here at the Ice Queen’s castle! We’re lucky the Ice Queen and the ice-o-lators don’t know we’re here yet.” said the Easter Bilby.

Ice-o-lators are magic bushes that can turn you into ice, and they were all around the castle.

“The ice-o-lators are surrounding the whole castle! So how are we going to get in?” said the Easter Bunny.

“Well” said the Easter Bilby “looks like we have to walk over them” But then the Easter Bunny got zapped by an ice-o-lator and turned to ice! The Easter Bilby crept past them and got to the castle.

The Easter Bilby found the throne room and the axe she needed to destroy the Ice Queen’s throne. The throne contained all the snow and ice magic in the Ice Queen’s kingdom. She started to chop the throne into pieces.

Suddenly the Ice Queen came into the room but she was too late. The Easter Bilby had destroyed the throne with one last bang.

The Ice Queen vanished into thin air!

The castle melted into a big puddle. Mr Millipede turned into a normal millipede with no clothes. The ice-o-lators turned into normal weeds. The Easter Bunny was unfrozen and they collected all the baskets of Easter eggs.

And one day later it was a perfect Easter. The Easter Bilby saved Easter.

THE END



Inspirational Quotes!



What's hot and what's not 2017

Topic this week is: Songs!

Hot

1. Shape of you by Ed Sheeran
2. Chained to the rhythm by Katy Perry
3. It Aint me by se3lena Gomez and Kygo
4. Something just like this By cold play and the chain smokers
5. Castle on the hill by Ed Sheeran
6. Scared to be lonely by Martin Garrix and Dua Lipa
7. Paris by chain smokers
8. Galway girl by Ed Sheeran
9. Issues by Julia Michaels
10. That's what I like by Bruno mars

Not

1. Watch me wip by Silento
2. Closer by chain smokers
3. This is what you came for by Calvin Harris
4. Heathens by suicide squad
5. Don't let me down by Chain Smokers
6. Cold water by Justin Bieber
7. Baby by Justin Bieber
8. Treat you better by Shaun mandies
9. Work by Rihanna
10. Let it go by frozen

Cool facts

Banging your head against a wall burns 150 calories an hour.

In the UK, it is illegal to eat mince pies on Christmas Day!

Pteronophobia is the fear of being tickled by feathers!

When hippos are upset, their sweat turns red.

The term "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" contains every letter of the alphabet!

You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching television.

10 Facts about you

1. You're reading this right now.
2. You're realizing that is a stupid fact.
4. You didn't notice I skipped three.
5. You're checking now.
6. You're smiling.
7. You're still reading this even though its stupid.
9. You didn't realize I skipped eight.
10. You're checking again and smiling about how you fell for it again.
11. You're enjoying this.
12. You didn't realize there's only supposed to be ten facts.



DespicableMeMinions.org

Believe it or not!

Some people can do very unusual things in this world! Here are a few of the wacky things humans can do.

This teen girl has one of the longest tongues in the world it is 4.1 inches long.



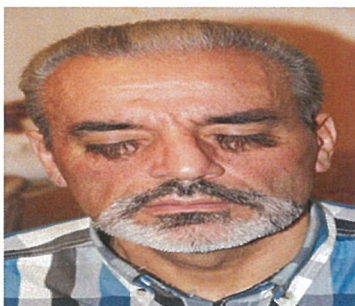
This woman only ate French fries for 15 years because she was scared of every other food! In December 2016 she ate her very first pizza in 15 years!!!!!!



This woman holds the world record for having the longest hair.



Ukrainian man holds the record for the world's longest eye lashes. Those eyelashes are so awesome!



Easter Word Search!

 **Easter Word Search** 

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 BUNNY	DAFFODILS	LAMBS
DUCKLINGS	EASTEREgg	IRIS
BONNET	HYACINTH	JELLYBEANS
BASKET	SPRING	RABBIT
CHICKS	EGGS	CHOCOLATE

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