It has been a crazy term in the year 5/6 classroom! With so many new and exciting things happening in our classroom, the time has just flown by for us!

We have started a new literacy program in our classroom this term, which is helping us to improve our reading and spelling. We have been working in groups doing different activities and refreshing our knowledge of sounds and how we use them in our writing.

We have also been learning about persuasive writing in literacy, learning how to properly structure and write expositions and discussions. We learnt about introductions and conclusions and how to write a proper paragraph.

In maths this term we refreshed our brains about the four operations, we worked in our maths groups doing rotations with different activities like maths games on the computer and making our own sums using dice.

We have also been learning about fractions this term. We have been doing investigations using play-dough and coloured squares in order to compare and order different fractions. We have also learnt about adding and subtracting fractions and how to simplify ours answers.

Our topic for history this term is 'Australian History'. We have learnt all about how our country started, the struggles the settlers endured in those first few decades and the role immigrants played in building our country. From this we were given the task to create posters to attract immigrants in the 1800's from London to move to Australia. Our next task will be to do a project on an important person in Australia's early history.

Technology and Art have been blended into history this term. In technology we have been designing and creating a settlers home using only natural materials we find outside in the school yard! We have also been painting some scenes from Australian history using watercolours.

We can't believe how much we have learnt about in these past weeks. Our classroom is a place of constant creativity, laughter and hard work! We are definitely ending this term with a bang!

- From the 5/6 classroom!