



Minasan konnichiwa (Hello, everyone)

During this semester, Year three to six students are having Japanese lessons. The students will learn Japanese language and other aspects by reflecting on their inquiry study topics such as business and economy for Year six, civic and citizenship for Year five, Aboriginal history for Year four and local government for Year three. One of the key aspects throughout the lessons across all these year levels will be sustainability. The students will be doing investigations and evaluating their discovery based on the concept of sustainability. Hopefully the students will have chances to make some small acts toward sustainability.

At Overport Primary School, we have vegetable garden next to the sand pit (near Year four classrooms). We are very fortunate to have our school community's extended support for this garden. During the summer holiday, Burgess family, Dunkley family, Lacustales family, Lourens family, Wheeler family, Mr. Mallinson (our ex Overport Primary School students parent), Mr. Bryan, Ms Gleeson, Mrs Tring, Mr. Williamson and Extend Before and After School Care kindly came to attend the garden. Regardless of the weather we had during the holiday, many of the summer plants survived and started showing signs of some promising harvests in autumn. I truly appreciate all these peoples great support to keep the vegetable garden as our students' special place. Throughout this year, Mr. Mallinson is scheduled to work with some very fortunate students in the vegetable garden. Hopefully I am also able to open the vegetable garden once a week during lunch time to invite students (from Year one to six) who would like to come to have a look or work in the vegetable garden.

*Arigatoo goziamasu* (Thank you very much)

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