Our focus this term for all year levels is Life and Living. Students in Prep will be investigating the basic needs for all living things. They will also learn to classify things in two groups, living and non-living. Year One students will focus on the external features of living things and how living things live in different places where their needs can be met. In Year Two, students will investigate groups of animals and classify them into six main groups. They will also focus on how living things change as they grow and have offspring similar to themselves. Students in Years Three, Four and Five will be focused on living things this term. They will gradually progress from learning how to identify living things, then, sub-classify them according to their characteristics in Year Three. In Year Four, they will study the specific life cycles of individual plants and animals and learn how environmental factors can influence these changes. And in Year Five, the focus will be on how animals and plants adapt and survive in harsh Australian environments. Year Sixes will further cement their knowledge of the properties of matter, and how these can be changed through heating and cooling. So far this term we have mulched many of our gardens and our wonderful Green Team will continue this job. Our Recycling Team will continue this year with placing our bins in eating areas and collecting them at lunch breaks, so as food scraps can be taken to our compost bin. We look forward to another busy and productive term.