

# WELCOME TO

## 5/6A

### *What we think in 5/6A*

“A is for AWESOME”

“You never know what interesting fact Mrs Allan is going to give us”.

“It's like we're one big family and Mrs Allan looks after us all”.

“We're all treated like individuals here in 5/6A”.

This year has started out well and we are all very busy. The class is made up of 12 Year 5's and 17 Year 6's. We've had 6 new people to our class since the start of the year.

In class, we have been busy working on a Literacy Unit called **Blueback** by Tim Winton. This is the story of a boy who grew up in Longboat Bay and his adventures with Blueback, a blue groper. During the story, we researched and discussed several marine animals, shared stories of our own underwater adventures and looked at the impact on the environment tourism can have. It was amazing how much we already knew about the ocean but we certainly increased our knowledge and interest in the ocean.



Each day, we have fruit break for a few minutes during the morning session. Apple slinkies are all the go at the moment. We get the option of skin 'on' or 'off' the apple.



Diary writing has become a big hit. We do this activity each day. It helps us to become better writers and express our thoughts more clearly.

# Sports in Schools Activities



Sports in Schools have been a big hit. The Sports in Schools' teachers come in each Friday and set up fantastic equipment. The advantage of this program is its diversity of activities and equipment which we use. The things they bring in include tread mills, balancing equipment, spring parachutes, punching balls and mini soccer nets.

In HSIE, we have looked at Antarctica. We have used several web sites to be involved with what's happening down there. Antarctica web cam is awesome. It gives us a real feeling of being down



As part of our fitness, we have decided to see how far we can walk around Australia. So far we've walked 141kms. This would have us at about Bulahdelah. We have a long way to go!

