

## Parliament

On Thursday, Friday and Tuesday we went to parliament. We caught the bus to parliament and went through security. We sat down in a room and got told instructions of what we were doing at parliament. We went to the room next door to the education room to put our bags away. Then we went into the select committee room and debated about kids getting ice cream on a Friday afternoon after school for free, we all had different ideas. After all the discussion, we all agreed that we shouldn't get ice cream on Friday afternoon. Next up we went to the debating chamber where the government and the opposition debate bills becoming laws. We weren't allowed to sit down on the chairs. We had a look around and discussed all the things in the room. After, we went to the education room and we all got put into fruit parties and decided on a topic we were going to debate. In our parties we made up a speech to read out and after we had finished making our speech we got to go into the dressing room to dress up like MPs (member of parliament). We said our speeches and the winner of the debate was the government parties. We got our bags and said THANK YOU to the guides and left to go to the art gallery.

In term 4 we are writing and presenting speeches at school. The parliament helped us because we had to make speeches with reasons for and against and read aloud to the group.

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