MEETING OUR EMERGENCY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Prep/1 class have been busy learning about the roles people play in our local community. Over four separate days, they set out to explore our town businesses and to investigate the types of roles people play in our local community. On the first day, they left the school and walked up one side of the main street and back down the other.

One of their stops was Chilabella Hair Designz. The students learnt a little about cutting hair and other things that hairdressers do.

The class visited the Post Office and learnt how letters and parcels are sent and received.

The butcher sells all kinds of meat and wears special aprons.

But best of all was McDonald’s and their cool ice-creams. Yum!
On our second trip, we visited the Fire Station. We got to wear a fireman’s coat, even though it was a bit big. The trousers weren’t any better.

We tried on the huge helmet. It protects the fireman’s head from flying sparks and falling branches.

The truck was so cool. It would be fun to drive it (if only I could reach the pedals).

It was a fun visit and we learnt a lot about what fireman do and the dangers they face putting out fires.
For our third day, the ambulance officers were happy to visit us at our school.

They had lots of equipment to help them in their job, including a portable stretcher and chair that unfolded ready for use in no time (the chair is nicknamed The Transformer).

Everyone had a chance to lie on the stretcher and sit in the chair, including Mrs Hinton. The stretcher automatically stands up as it is pulled from the ambulance so it is ready for the patient.
The chair is used to carry patients up and down stairs.

Deb also showed us how to protect a broken arm.

... and how to take blood pressure.

We listened to the sirens and then had a turn sitting in the driver’s seat.

Our fourth day found us at the Police Station. Some of us got to be the bad guys.

These naughty boys were put in the lockup, and this wanted criminal handcuffed.
The students had their fingerprints taken and had a turn at being breath tested.

All of us were clear. Whew!

Luckily Officer Eli kept the class in line.

All in all, we had a great time and learnt a lot about our emergency service officers over the four days we spent with them.