

Primary Alpaca Immersion Program Stages 1-2

Students were able to describe what agriculture meant to them and their link to agricultures.



In their workshop evaluations students were able to identify as learners they were: great listener's, creative, asked questions, learnt something new and had fun.



Students were fascinated by the 'superpower' qualities of alpaca fleece and how soft the fleece actually was. This generated a great discussion using descriptive language.



Students could recall and use their alpaca facts in their art/craft creations.



Students were particularly interested in learning about the requirements for caring for alpacas and how alpacas communicate.

Outline

Focusing on the concepts of alpaca farming in Australia and its links to fibre and meat production. Students will learn about the difference between an alpaca and a llama, how alpacas communicate, animal husbandry linked to breeding and caring for alpacas, the characteristics of alpaca fleece and production of alpaca products. The workshop includes Agfacts session, an introduction to Alpaca farming from our Junior Journalist and Alpaca farmer– Bradley (think BTN), story time utilising Matt Cosgrove's Macca the Alpaca series and an integrated art/craft session.

Each workshop requires 2– 2.5 hours depending on the school's timetable and class size. We can deliver the workshop to two classes in one day.

Curriculum Links

This program supports teaching and learning in the areas of:

English, Science and Technology, Creative Arts, Geography

ENG: recognises a range of purposes and audiences for spoken language and recognises organisational patterns and features of predictable spoken texts

GE: Environments—Cultural Values— Sustainable Agriculture—interconnections and spatial distribution

ST: Animals are produced for food and fibre—Characteristics and properties of materials -how they can be changed and combined for a purpose-Life Cycles— Agricultural Processes

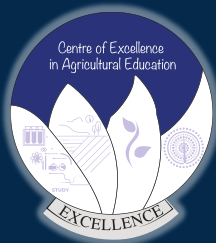
Careers Education: Careers in AgSTEM

Cross Curricula: Sustainability

Cost

DoE schools: \$550 for the day—max two class workshops

Non DoE Schools: \$650 for the day—max two class workshops



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