

# Chemical Science



Despite the beginning of the term being jam packed with swimming lessons and music concert rehearsals (and then performance!), the year 4's have been busy exploring the expanding industry of packaging during our inquiry unit called 'Package it Better'. We have been given a design brief to package a fragile gift for a special person, and have therefore been describing the characteristics and properties of materials, experimenting with which materials would best protect a 'biscuit' from impact, and exploring the strength of different shapes (photos above).

## Hoop Time



The crowd was roaring on court 1 as the Greythorn Gorilla's thumped up and down the court for the semi-finals of the Junior (Year 3 and 4) Hoop Time Basketball Day at the Nunawading Basketball Centre. With only 30 seconds to go the score was even, before Luca Mallamaci took one last shot and the basketball swished through the hoop. The crowd went wild as the Greythorn Gorilla's made it through to the finals of the Future Stars teams.

Greythorn Primary School registered lots of teams from Years 3 and 4 to take part in the Hoop Time Round Robin day held on Friday 18 August. Each team was coached by two carefully selected Year 6 students and on the day, they all did an amazing job of encouraging, supporting and managing their teams. Games went for 13 minutes each and teams played against a number of other schools in the region. It was such a fun filled, energetic day, made all the more exciting with both Greythorn Primary School teams, the Gorilla's and the Giant's, in the finals. There's definitely some future basketball stars in our midst!