

Term Two—24th July 2020

Message from Jacqui

Welcome back to Term 3. It certainly hasn't been the start that we were hoping for however, once again our school community has shown terrific resilience and taken the changes in our stride. Congratulations to each and every student, parent and extended families and friends. This week has seen us return to remote learning. We have certainly hit the ground running with everyone doing a fabulous job at using our learning packs, google classroom and Webex conferences to continue our learning journeys while we are at home. These changes are difficult, however we have been incredibly proud of each student as they have all given it their best. Well done everyone for uploading your work on google classroom. Some families are finding that using a phone to upload photos is easier than a laptop or desktop. Thank you to those who have shared that handy hint.

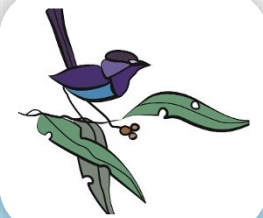


A special mention goes to Luka for his engagement this week. Well done Luka, you have been uploading each piece of work which allows the teachers to give you feedback on your learning. You have also used the google classroom stream to ask questions and respond to feedback which shows that you are thinking about your learning and doing your best to continue taking steps on your learning journey. Keep up the fabulous work Luka!

For those students who require on-site supervision during this time we are conducting temperature checks and staff are wearing masks when practical to do so without impacting on the students learning. These changes both within our school and in the wider world around us can cause students to experience worries and concerns the Department of Education and Training has a number of resources to help with this which can be found here

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/Pages/coronavirus-advice-parents.aspx>. If you, your child, or someone in your family requires support please let us know we are all here to help.

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Important Dates for 2020

Curriculum Days

Monday 17th August

Monday 30th November

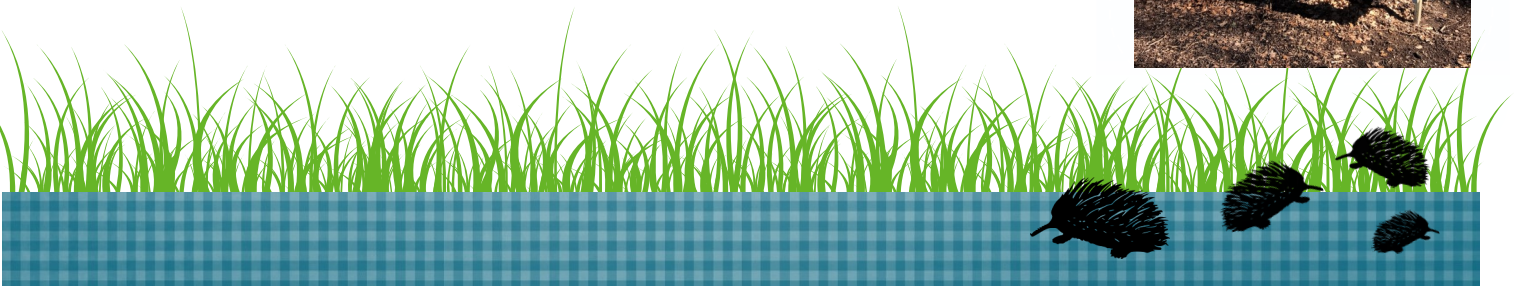
Term Dates

Term 1 28th January — 27th March

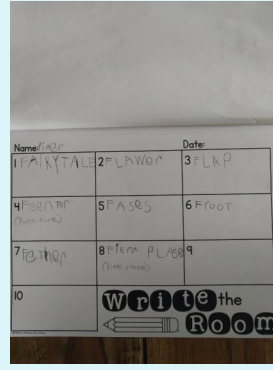
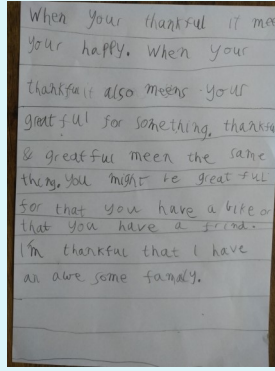
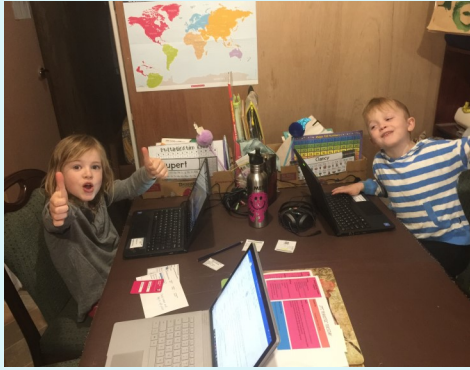
Term 2 14th April—26th June

Term 3 13th July—18th September

Term 4 5th October—18th December



Remote Learning



Bush School

This week also saw the launch of our Bush School program. Whilst we aren't able to do it together in our lovely school environment we have been fortunate to have Adam, our Bush school facilitator and his team at Eco Explorers develop an online program for us. This week we were learning about the Earth. Keep sharing your photos and comments with us so that we can put them on our Bush School

<https://www.christmashillsps.vic.edu.au/blog>

Next week we are learning about the sky and the weather. I can't wait to see your adventures

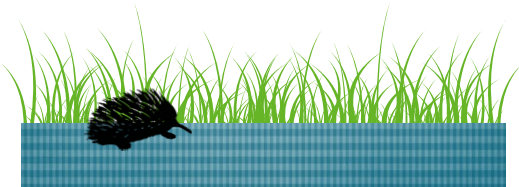


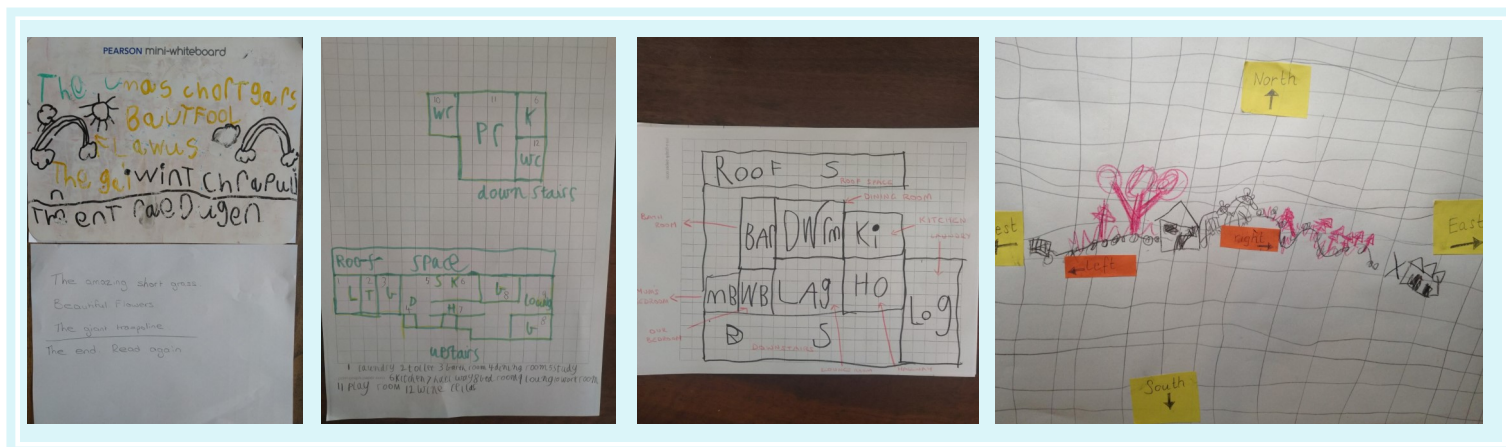
Sentral App

In the interest of streamlining our communication with families we asked all families to download the Sentral for parents app in preparation to use this as our main method of communicating notices, newsletters, etc. from 1st August. I am very proud to say that all families are now set up and able to access the app so from next week notices will all be sent through the app which will not only help streamline our communication channels, but it will also allow us to reduce our paper usage and therefore our impact on the environment. Thankyou everyone for your huge efforts in moving over to the app so quickly.

A message from Victoria in the office

Thank you to those families who have paid their fees. We understand that some families are experiencing financial difficulty, if you require support or a payment plan for your fees please email or call the school so that we can provide assistance.





Hi all,

BMX and Mountain bike riding is a much loved and rapidly growing area of interest for people across a range of ages, skill level, gender and background in Nillumbik. BMX challenges you physically and mentally, it provides adventure, stress relief, problem solving, street smarts, resilience, independence and creativity.

Nillumbik Shire Council Youth Development team are committed to working with the community to determine the broader need for an additional BMX/pump track facility within the municipality as we recognise the importance of these types of facilities to allow our community to be active and healthy.

We would love to hear from your students about what makes BMX special, how we can create jumps and tracks that will be used, and to help us find a location that works for best you!

We would appreciate if you could share the below survey with your relevant networks to ensure we hear from as many voices within our community as possible. Students and teachers can have their say now at

<https://participate.nillumbik.vic.gov.au/bmx> or contact youth@nillumbik.vic.gov.au for more information and to get involved with this exciting project.

Kindest Regards,

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