

Message from Jacqui

What a crazy couple of weeks we have had. Once again the effort and wonderful attitude shown by all the students, parents and staff during this phase of remote learning was extraordinary.







Unfortunately, our return to on-site learning was delayed due to storm damage. Luckily our classrooms and playgrounds remain undamaged, however our theatre experienced some flooding which has resulted in the floor needing to be replaced along with a number of other maintenance issues to help ensure this damage is not repeated in future heavy rain events.

Once students returned to school after the extra-long weekend we were greeted with smiling faces and enthusiasm to return to learning with their friends by their side









As we prepare for the end of term it is wonderful to see students applying their knowledge and skills in a number of projects, including a CHPS Cook Book task which we are making.

Term Two - 18th June

Important Dates for 2021

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June 25th - Last day of Term Interschool Sports— April 30th June - 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

2021 Term Dates

Term 1- 28th January-1st April

Term 2- 19th April-25th June

Term 3 -12th July-17th

September

Term 4 - 4th October -

17th December



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We spent a lovely few hours chatting about the health and vitality of our little school, and I was so grateful to being able to sit down face to face just before the lock down came into force. The staff have worked hard in the previous months to make these snap lockdowns as seamless as possible for our school families, and it was one of the things that we discussed this month, but not our only area of focus.

I was so disappointed not to be able to join you all, at the recent celebration of the opening of our new court surface. I heard it was a wonderful night and I look forward to the next one. During the night you may have been involved with a discussion about the school's PFA (Parent's and Friends Association). It is through this group that all fundraising occurs, and the money generated through this avenue goes straight back towards our kids in some way – in most instances it assists in some overly fun experience. We have began formulating the PFA for 2021, and would love to have you join us if you are keen. Our major fundraiser will be our FAIR, held in October of this year. It will be a great event, made super by as many hands on deck as possible. Please get in touch if you would like to discuss how you might get involved.

We are all grateful that our teachers are trying to minimise how discombobulated we may feel with our current reality, but It is just as important that we make sure that they too, feel that they are being supported. Our staff workload, and the support they need, was one of our points of discussion this month. We were also able to consolidate a solid plan for our chickens over the next year, and are looking into avenues to fix the problems some of you are having accessing the newsletter through Sentral. We appreciate all the parent helpers that are taking on different roles in our school currently, and if you would like to know how you can get involved, please ask and we can discuss all of the different ways – class room, supporting activities and the garden are all ways that might allow your skills to shine.

I write this on day two of our latest lock down, and I must say that I found yesterday (our pupil free day) challenging. Perhaps another wave of uncertainty of what the near future holds, on top of the glorious and consistent (and very loud) voices of my little monkeys, made it hard to settle my mind. Today, I remembered to breathe and got out in the sunshine (and used a hammer) and I find my ability to regulate my emotions much easier – I'm not sure what the lesson here is; sunshine or hammer use? Perhaps both.

I hope that you are all able to remain healthy and happy while we are not physically at school everyday.

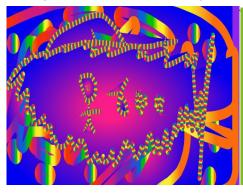
Happy Days,

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In week 8 we were all about the joys of online drawing programs. We learned about how to design something that communicates a message clearly and explored existing company designs to see how they do it. The older students then designed a presentation on what their company is, how it helps the world and how their logo reflects the values of the company. The younger students had a go at learning how these online drawing programs work, including navigating to them safely and paying attention to detail when typing up URLs. Some of the logos and company ideas were phenomenal as you'll see below.







Our New Additions

Hello Bunjil and Quip Quip, This morning we travelled from the farm and got to Rupert and Clancy's house very safely. Our new home is great, and we love our heater lamp. We can't wait to meet you all Monday and perhaps get our forever names.











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