

Little Bendigo P.S. Newsletter



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Term 2 Week 7



NEWS

Our Prep to Grade 2 students started back at school on Tuesday. It has been great to see all of the smiling faces and the excitement as they catch up with friends again. They are settling well into the school routine and are very familiar with hand sanitising and hygiene. I have heard some fantastic reading from our students this week too!

I would like to thank our parents for their consideration at this time, as the pick-up and drop-off times have been running smoothly.

Also, thanks to our staff for their professionalism as we manage the change from remote learning back to "normal" school.

Congratulations Banjo!

Banjo, Mr Smith and I raced against each other in a lap of the oval yesterday. Banjo and Mr Smith finished neck and neck. I retired from professional sprinting a couple of years ago, but was pleased I came in a respectable third place. As Eli told me, "You need more practise Mr Tait!" – I'll take his advice.

Have a great weekend!

Regards,

Anthony Tait

School Council Presidents Report

The past few weeks have been unusual, unprecedented and challenging. Thank you to our exceptional, dedicated staff for the preparation and implementation of remote learning. Thank you and congratulations to all families for all of the hard work and support during the past few weeks.

As we transition back to learning on site at school, I'm sure we will all continue to support each other to meet these new challenges. Please take note of the information and advice provided by the school from the department of education and the chief health officer, in order to keep us all safe.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge Anthony Tait for his leadership and guidance during this changing, anxious and challenging period.

In regards to School Council matters, during first term we welcomed new members Ben Mitchell and Catherine De Angelis. School Council, just like everyone has had to manage differently in our changed environment, but continues to operate, whilst making the necessary changes.

Jamie Tobin

School Council President

Important Dates:

2020

Mon 8th June

Queens' Birthday Public Holiday

Tues 9th June

Grades 3-6 return to school

Fri 26th June

Last day Of term 2

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

Please contact the school every day your child is away.

Phone: 5332 6317

Email: see above

On the Compass Portal

If you have any questions or concerns please call the office first before coming in. If you need to come in we will guide you in what to do.



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Welcome back!!!! We have had a super week here in the Stringybark Studio and it has been wonderful to see each other and share our learning together again.

A big shout out to our students they have all adapted to the new changes so beautifully and I am very proud of you all. Home readers won't be sent home for the remainder of the term so please use EPIC for reading for a minimum of 4 nights a week and also practicing M100/M200 coloured words. If you need another copy please just let me know. Foundation students if you can also be practicing your letters and sounds every night that would be super. SeeSaw will be in full swing next week so keep an eye out for our homework that will include spelling words, M11/M200 words and other small optional homework activities.

Have a great weekend Stringybark families and see you all on Monday.

Miss D ☺



Some art fun with Ms G:



From the Office:

Prep students who receive CSEF are also eligible for the 2020 Prep CSEF Uniform package. This is a jumper and pair of shoes. Information and application form are attached to this newsletter item. Please return completed form to Michelle in the Office by Tuesday 9th June.

If you are unsure of sizing, shoe guides are available in the office.



What a delight it has been to see all the students smiling, laughing, non-stop talking, running around and playing with their friends. I am so proud of the resilience the students have shown by just walking through the gate whilst Mum, Dad or whoever has dropped them off to school sits in their cars and watches their child walk off to class. (Well done to Mum and Dad too.)



I am super impressed with how the students have not only returned from Remote Learning with excitement and an eagerness to further developing their knowledge, learning and skills but also the beautiful and thoughtful acknowledgement of what their parents have done for them during Remote Learning.

As students have eased back into Face to Face Learning it makes me so proud how easily they have accepted and adapted to the new class rules. For example; set seats, the responsibility of having their own pencil cases, no home readers and no whole class sitting on the floor activities.

Well done everyone on a very positive and productive first week back.

HOMEWORK –For this week students are required to read at least 4 nights per week and please remember to fill in their reader log books. Students can either read a book from their own home library, Oxford Owl or reading photocopied texts from school. From next week students will be asked to complete reading four nights per week and to practice their spelling words with any strategy they choose. Please send reader logs into school on Monday's and spelling can either come to school on a Monday in their homework book or via Seesaw.

If there are any questions please don't hesitate to email me at Tammy.Attard@education.vic.gov.au or via Seesaw.

Thanks, Tammy Attard



We are nearing the end of our remote learning journey and what an incredible journey it has been! Thank you so much for the positive feedback that has been received. I could not have done this without the amazing support of everyone involved in the Blue Gums studio. Your efforts have simply blown me away. Thank you for taking on so much and taking it in your stride.

The kids must be commended for their efforts during this time, they have learnt many lifelong lessons that will hopefully stay with them and help guide them through their learning journey. I cannot wait to see their faces in person again and continue to explore exactly what they are capable of. I have learn so much through this time, which I am certain, will only have a positive impact on them moving forward.

Not all heroes wear capes!