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NEWSLETTER

Term 1/2020 Week 10

Tuesday 7th April, 2020

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From the Principal

This has been an extraordinary term in our school lives and we thank parents/carers for their support and patience. We hope everyone is staying safe and look forward to a return to business as usual as soon as possible. In the meantime, we need to closely follow the government guidelines.

Term two commences on Tuesday 28th April and at this point, parents are still requested to keep their children home. Essential workers etc. will be able to send their children to school unless the Government puts us in lock down.

Staff are extremely busy preparing for term 2 and on line learning using Connect. Guidelines on how to use Connect have been put onto the school and P & C websites. See the last page of this newsletter. **CONNECT WILL BE LOCKED DURING THE HOLIDAYS** and will reopen Tuesday 28.4.20 morning. Work packages contain lessons for two weeks.

Where possible, parents are requested to access the online learning for their children, but hard copy packages will be provided for families who can't access the internet. The school will be able to help with online problems during the day via email or phone calls. The timetable below details the contact times for each class. A timetable will allow for the best possible access and hopefully avoid long wait times. Parents/students can ring in and talk to their teacher.

Teacher Communication Timetable

TIME	Blue Block	Yellow Block	Red Block	ECE
8.45-9.30	B1	Y1	R1	EL1
9.30-10.15	B2	Y2	R2	EL2
10.15-11.00	B3	Y3	R3	EL3
11.00-11.45	B4	Y4	R4	K MonW
11.45-12.30	B5	Y5	R5	K MonE
12.30-1.15	B6	Y6	Y9	K Tues W
1.15-2.00	B7	Y7	Y10	K Tues E
2.00-2.45		Y8	Y11	

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You can contact the classroom teachers on Connect or via email.

Pick up of the hard copy packages must be staggered due to social distancing requirements. Each student will collect their package from their classroom while parents wait outside the gate. (K, PP & Yr 1 students may need assistance). We cannot have large numbers of people in the school at the same time. You will need to adhere to the timetable below when collecting packages. Families will be able to collect for all of their children at the same time. New packages will be provided every two weeks in the same way.

Early Learning – Enter through main gate and then side gate near fence

Blue Block- Enter through main gate

Yellow Block- Enter and exit through oval gates

Red Block- Enter through main gates

Tuesday 28 April 2020

Pick Up Timetable

Kindy	8.30-9.00
Pre-primary	9.00-9.30
Year1	9.30-10.00
Year2	10.00-10.30
Year3	10.30-11.00
Year4	11.00-11.30
Year5	11.30-12.00
Year6	12.00-12.30

This situation is constantly evolving and our staff are making the necessary adjustments as needed. It is a huge workload preparing for online and packaged learning and they are doing a wonderful job. Things may not go as expected in week one and we will make the changes as needed. Your feedback is welcome. Good luck, and stay safe.

Vicki Harley

Acting Principal

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Are you CONNECTED?

This week teachers across the school are busily preparing learning resources for students in Term 2. These resources will be posted to the Connect website at:

connect.det.wa.edu.au



It has been a steep learning curve for many teachers learning how to provide online learning resources, and we understand that parents and students will need to get used to learning online too. To help with this, we have posted several Connect Help Sheets on the Ellenbrook Primary School website (<http://www.ellenbrookps.wa.edu.au>). These Help Sheets can be found by clicking the 'For the Parents' tab and then scrolling all the way to the bottom of the page. The help sheets cover all the basics of accessing and using Connect to find student work, communicate with teachers, submit completed work and more.

So what are you waiting for? Get online, visit the Connect website and get connected! If you're having trouble, please contact the school and we will do all we can to help.

We are aware that some parents and care-givers may be unable to access Connect because they lack a suitable device or home internet connection, these students will be provided with a hard-copy paper work pack that can be collected from the school in week 1 term 2.