



NEWSLETTER



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Wednesday, July 29, 2020

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE

If you are unwell, please stay at home.

- Avoid gathering in a group inside or around the school
- Keep 1.5m between yourself and other adults
- Avoid handshakes and hugs
- Wash your hands regularly



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Return to Remote & Flexible Learning

We have started another term in very extreme circumstances, and what an amazing effort our school community has put in.

I congratulate our staff who have worked tremendously hard in a short period of time to prepare for remote and flexible learning 2.0. We have already made a few changes to our previous remote learning to ensure that the teaching and learning is as engaging as possible. With the introduction of Google Classroom in Years P – 2, we are very proud of the way students and families have managed to learn how to engage and use the platform. The purpose of Google Meets for our P – 2 students is to provide a sense of connectedness to their teachers and friends and address their general wellbeing. We appreciate parents/carers and at times siblings, giving their time to supervise and assist students to login and mute/unmute themselves while participating. We would like to remind families that Google Classroom is a platform for children to ask their teachers questions about their work or to seek support.

Additional Google Meets in Years 3 – 6 are allowing our teachers to model and introduce literacy & numeracy tasks every day. They are also giving students an opportunity to clarify daily tasks and expectations with their teachers.

We are all very impressed with the increased level of engagement and the quality of the work being submitted. Congratulations to all of our students for a very positive start to the term.

We value feedback from our school community and use it to further improve our practices. Feedback can be emailed to: iramoo.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Dymocks Children's Charities & Dymocks, Collins Street Library Regeneration Program

Our school was very fortunate to receive funding to the value of \$18,642 from Dymocks Children's Charities and Dymocks, Collins Street store to purchase new books for our school library. We were thrilled to be the benefactors of almost 1,000 books. Due to restrictions we were unable to celebrate all together. During the short time that we all returned to onsite learning our Information Technology Captains Marko Ivic, Mathew Mai, Jackson Miles & Connor Tweedley worked with Mrs Gannon and Mr Hasan to make a slideshow to celebrate. This was sent to Dymocks Children's Charities to thank them for the funding. Their program manager sent this reply:

This is BRILLIANT! It has totally made my day . . . Thank you so much for all the effort that's gone into this, and please pass on my big congratulations to your student IT captains for their excellent work! Very impressive. 😊

Emily Hall, Program Manager - Dymocks Children's Charities

The slideshow can be viewed using this link: <https://youtu.be/eqVmnDPYQ5w>

TIMETABLE TO PICK UP REMOTE LEARNING PACKS

This Friday, July 31, we will have our fortnightly learning pack pick up.

***Please note, families with more than one child only need to come once.**

TIME	GRADES		TIME	GRADES
9.00	0JZ, 0TC, 0MM		11.15	4IS, 4ND
9.15	0CA, 0SK		11.30	5CP, 5AA
9.30	1ME, 1AO, 1AN		11.45	5DS, 5JD
9.45	1ST, 1JH		12.00	6AP, 6MD, 6BE
10.00	2AJ, 2TC, 2AM		12.15	6BL, 6KA
10.15	2MD, 2RH		12.30	
10.30	3CC, 3DE		12.45	
10.35	3AB, 3SM		1.00	
11.00	4LM, 4AL		1.15	

If you are coming to pick up learning packs, please enter through the gate on McGrath Road.

We ask that you:

- Only send one person who is well
- Wear a mask
- Abide with physical distancing of at least 1.5m **at all times**
- Do not bring children

If you are uncomfortable with picking up your pack, please contact us by ☎ 9741 2803 or email: iramoo.ps@education.vic.gov.au to organise alternative arrangements.

Our current situation is very different and challenging at times. It is very important that we all continue to do the best we can and play our part to stay safe. We all need to look after ourselves and the people around us. Together we can all make a positive difference to a situation none of us could have ever predicted. Stay Safe.

Raquel Tweedley

CAN \$500 HELP WITH SCHOOL EXPENSES?

Don't let COVID-19 get in the way of your savings goals. The Smith Family and ANZ run a program called Saver Plus, a program that teaches people good savings and money management tools. Eligible families save \$50 / month over ten months and complete a short money management workshop online, in your own time. At the end of the program, ANZ provides \$500 funding for school and extracurricular expenses. The program has been running for 16 years and has many fantastic outcomes, including helping and encouraging parents to talk to their children about money from a young age – as early as preschool and primary school, right through the high school years. When parents role model good money behaviours and have open conversations about the household budget, this helps children be better equipped to manage their money as they grow and can help establish good money habits for life.

To be eligible, you must have children at school or studying yourself, have regular income (either your or your partner), or be receiving documented child support. If you are not working due to COVID-19 but will in the future, please feel free to call and register your interest. You must also have a current Health Care card or concession card. Our local co-ordinator is Tina McElligott ☎ 0439 585 702.

<https://www.bsl.org.au/services/saving-and-managing-money/saver-plus/>



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