

Bundarra Primary School



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TERM 3 2020/ Monday 13 th July	First Day Term Three
Friday 14 th August	<i>Crazy Hair Day</i>
15 th -23 rd August	National Science Week activities
Monday 24 th August	Wyniss Performance (online)
Friday 4 th September	Curriculum Day – No Students (Gunditjmara Studies PD for all staff)
Friday 18 th September	Last Day Term Three for Students 2:15pm dismissal
TERM 4 2020/ Monday 5 th October	First Day Term Four
Wednesday 21 st October	BOOK DAY! 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'
Saturday 31 st October/ Sunday 1 st November	Upwelling Festival/ Three Bays Marathon- TBC
Tuesday 3 rd November	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday- No School
8 th -15 th November	NAIDOC WEEK
Friday 20 th November	Curriculum Day – No Students (report writing)
Friday 4 th December	Christmas Carols Afternoon 2:15pm at Bundarra Gym – Students only
Tuesday 8 th December	Statewide Transition Day - TBC
Wednesday 16 th Dec	Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony 1:30pm
Friday 18 th December	Last Day Term Four for Students 2:15pm dismissal

Star Students

F1A: Omar Diab

23L: Kayla Murrell

34H: Zarli Overall

56B: Isaac Jennings

56G: Ayman Diab

F1M: Alayla O'Connor-Scott

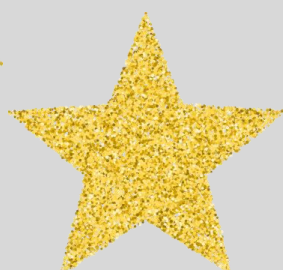
23V: Waseem Diab

34S: Jeremy Boreham

56C: Lillyann Plummer

STEM: Tyla Sharp

P.E: Bodhi Duncan



Notes from Mrs Hulonce...

And here we go again!

You know what I'm talking about- we're back to remote learning. BUT... It will be so much better than last time, as we have all learnt so much from the remote learning time in term 2. Staff have determined how we can improve the experience, after looking at parent survey data and with students adding their input last Monday. Some of our learnings have prompted the following improvements:

- Increased class Webex "check ins" in middle and senior school.
- Increased video story content.
- Seesaw folders set up so students can have their work organised into subjects. (This makes things much easier for specialists and classroom teachers)
- Specialist staff will upload their activities online on the normal day of instruction. This is linked to our on site timetable. So not everything will be visible on Monday morning. Specialist staff will also be assessing and archiving activities as students complete them.
- DAILY Seesaw work is designed to fit within DET time frames. Literacy 45-60 mins. Numeracy- 30-45. PE- 30 minutes for seniors. Additional curriculum areas (STEM/ ICT/ HEALTH/ MUSIC) Juniors (including PE) 30-45 minutes and Seniors 90 minutes.
- We again encourage students to complete literacy (reading and writing) and Numeracy (maths) work before other tasks.
- Increased free choice activity options (senior students requested this)
- National Science Week activities online to celebrate. Even though we're not at school, Science is everywhere!
- Fun days planned, thanks to Miss Mee and the wellbeing team. You can look out for Crazy Hair Day, Pet Day, Book Day and other events over Webex and Facebook.
- FIND OUT FRIDAY (Check In) 10am weekly on Webex, starting 14th August. All parents welcome to join Kate and Tara online to chat. Details to come.

ONCE again, we thank you for your ongoing support. Please contact us via email or phone if there's anything we can help you with.

Stay safe & take care!

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle." - Plato

Getting Along

Compassion

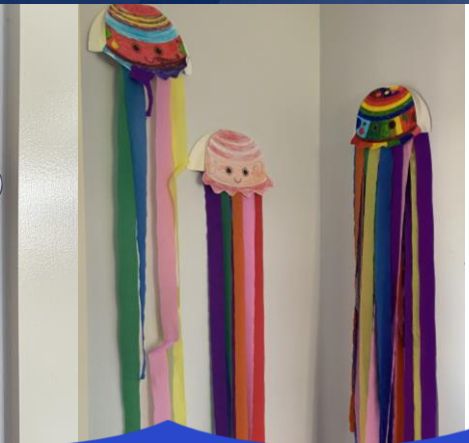
Cultivating compassion in children is often underestimated. Making it intentional will help those compassion muscles grow. Here is a list of ideas to help children develop compassion:

1. Volunteer at an animal shelter. While it may be painful to witness the suffering of the animals, it is a powerful way to show children that they can make a difference.
2. Read **books** with compassion themes. There are many books for children with kindness and compassion as central themes. The more the topic is discussed, the greater the opportunities to practice in real life.
3. Discuss suffering. Helping children notice the suffering of others is a first step in cultivating the action needed to alleviate that suffering.

"Compassion is kindness, forgiveness and empathy"



F/1M have been learning about things we find in the ocean.....did you know that it's the daddy seahorse that gives birth to the babies.....did you know that the smallest shark can fit in the palm of your hand.....did you know that the biggest crab is the Japanese Spider Crab....look it up..it's huge!! Did you know that jellyfish have no brain, heart, mouth or eyes?



COVID-19 Education Assistance Package

nbn helping to connect family households with children

Although many schools have now returned to face-to-face teaching, **nbn** is continuing to help connect Australian families.

Our Education Assistance Package will continue to 30 September 2020, even though the need for home-schooling has changed.

Although many students have returned to full time, face-to-face schooling, **nbn** is still here to help phone and internet providers create more affordable offers to support families. Access to fast broadband can assist students complete their homework online, conduct research for school projects and access a wide range of additional online resources to support their continued learning.

To help Australians respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, **nbn** is providing up to \$50 million to assist phone and internet providers to support family households with school-aged children who do not currently have an active **nbn**™ connection at home.

This funding will help phone and internet providers create more affordable offers to connect eligible families.

More than 20 phone and internet providers have agreed to participate in this program. [View the phone and internet providers](#)



For more information follow this link;

<https://www.nbnco.com.au/campaigns/covid-19/education-assistance-package>

Tupong

Tupong were known as "Tuupuum" to the Gunditjmara people and were an important source of protein. At certain times of the year, Tupong were caught in the fish trap systems near Lake Condah. The plentiful numbers made for a bountiful harvest and they were considered a great delicacy.

<https://www.gunditjmirring.com/gunditj-mirring-fact-sheets>

CRAZY HAIR DAY

FRIDAY 14th AUGUST

To celebrate all your hard work and our first full week of remote learning - we are having a virtual **CRAZY HAIR DAY!** Go as **CRAZY** with your hair as you like and send in a photo to your teacher via Seesaw. For those students on site you can wear your casual clothes with your **CRAZY HAIR**. We look forward to seeing some **CRAZY HAIR** styles!!!





Introduction:

When families are at home spending time together, a challenge can be finding things to do that connect us with our children and our children with us and each other. We have put together an alphabet full of ideas that might help. You can use this list to select activities each day – some are relaxing and some are more active – but all are about connecting.



A – Art activities:

This can range from messy to clean and big to small. What about painting, crayons, mosaic, body art, anime, paper mache or clay?



B – Blowing up balloons:

You can do this for real or pretend to blow up as many balloons as you can! The deep breathing can be helpful when everyone is feeling a bit out of control.



C – Chalk, Concerts or Colouring in:

Here is an outside and an inside option, a loud and a quiet option, depending on everyone's mood.



D – Dancing:

Having a dance party is a great way to show off some moves and to burn off some energy. You will have to decide who gets to choose the music each time.



E – Exercise class at home:

Now is a great time to see if your child has a career as a personal trainer ahead of them. Get them to lead the 'class'.



F – Find the.....:

You can select some treasured objects together and then someone can hide them around a room or the whole house or apartment and then you have to find them. It is a lovely chance to talk about why you have selected those objects and why they are so treasured.



G – Growing things:

It could be seeds, seedlings, flowers, herbs or veggies, or trees depending on your home and your plan. This one does require a bit of time and patience.



H – Handball, Hula Hoops, Heads or tails quiz:

Let's bring back some of the games of parents' childhoods. The heads or tails quiz lets one person come up with true or false questions of their own that they then ask everyone else. If you think it's true you put your hands on your head, if you think it's false you put your hands on your butt!



I – Imagination:

The opportunities are endless for imagination games and activities. You can look for shapes in the clouds, make up stories about different rooms or objects in the house eg: What if the pantry comes to life at night?, where will we be in 10 years?....



J – Juggling:

Why not learn a new skill? Look for online tutorials and once you have all mastered the basics see if you can juggle between two (or three or four) balls or other objects.



K – Knitting:

If juggling is not your thing, maybe knitting is. Maybe you can Facetime with someone who knows how to do it if it isn't your forte?



L – Listening:

There are lots of listening games to play, what about pass the message (sometimes called Chinese whispers), name that song or what animal is that? Or you could just listen to a meditation session, listen to the house, listen outside or whisper words and guess what they are.



M – Making stories, Making music, Mandalas:

Here is a thinking activity, a loud activity and a quiet one. Select the one you need today.



N – Night walk, Night spotting:

If you can head out then it is always amazing to see what you can find in the dark – different animals, birds, the stars, the moon in all its phases. But if you can't go out for a walk then just looking and listening outside after the sun has gone down can be a special time together.



O – Obstacle course:

You can build this inside or outside and then see who can get the best time, who is the most precise (doesn't knock over or touch any obstacles) and who is most creative obstacle course creator.



P – Paper planes, Pass the parcel:

There are lots of activities that are not just for parties. Why not just have a party....just because?



Q – Quizzes:

Your child (or each child in turn) can be the quiz master and create all the questions and answers. It is great to see that you might know lots about something that the rest of the family doesn't.



R – Routines:

Routines help us all feel a bit more in control. Design a daily planner as a family and then ensure that everyone is clear about the plan for the day.



S – Stomping together, Skittles:

Stomping around the house or the garden gets lots of frustrations out and then you can come in to knock down the skittles you have made from whatever is around the house, with whichever ball you choose to use.



T – TV:

Well, sometimes you just need some downtime all together!! As a variation, try turning the sound down on the TV and family member have to speak for characters on the TV show.



U – Upside down ping pong or tennis:

The world looks different from upside down. Position chairs or couches so that people are lying upside down on them and then try to hit a ball between you.



V – Virtual games:

This isn't what you are thinking! It is time to play virtual schools (who will be the teacher today and what are we learning about?), virtual dress-ups or virtual sports (playing virtual footy causes much less damage in the house than kicking a real football!)



W – Writing:

Songs, stories, poems, letters....Let the creative juices flow.



X – X-box:

While not promoting any particular brand, sometimes just playing games on screens is a great way to connect. The key thing is to do it together.



Y – Yoga:

There are lots of yoga classes available online that are for children and families.



Z – Zen garden, Zoos:

A zen garden requires sand, objects and a rake. It could be made outside if you have the space on something as small as a dinner plate, depending on what's available at your place. You can use special toys as the objects to be placed in the garden and you could use a garden rake, down to a baby fork to order the sand into neat patterns. Zoos are live streaming regularly now so we can all look at baby animals and others doing what they do when we aren't there. Often the animals are playing together too!