Appin Park Newy



16th July 2020

Save the Date

July

- 17 Barr Reseve for Grade 5/6 Students
- 23 Chocolate Fundraiser Starts
- 24 Bookclub orders due Bookfair coming soon!

August

3 School Photos

Hello Everyone,

We have enjoyed very smooth start to term 3. The sun has shone and there are many happy faces out in the yard enjoying being back together and making good use of our oval and playgrounds. Over the holidays we had a team of parents and staff dismantle the sandpit from outside rooms one and two and move the sand to two alternative sandpits. Thanks to Kevin and Ben Feldtmann, Scott and Abby James, Jeremey and Bree Campbell, Andy Grant, Wendy Martin, Jo Beattie and Tracey Clough for helping out. Also a big thank you to Peter Thrum for his work in maintaining the grounds and clearing away green waste from the drive through area.

Whilst we are back at school this term, it is still incredibly important to keep up with work around keeping everyone safe and well. Please read the attached page outlining the processes and requirements still in place in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

From time to time we have contact from parents with concerns around their children's use of chat sites, internet programs and online games and the content that is within the conversations or games themselves. As parents and carers it is incredibly important that you have conversations with your children around the appropriate use of their devices and the content they are accessing. Many platforms do come with recommended age restrictions which are often 13yrs and over, meaning primary school aged children should not be accessing or using them. The following websites provide a range of resources and ways to have conversations with your children to support you in our ever changing digital world:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents

https://www.esafety.gov.au/about-us/counselling-support-services

Fiona Carson - Principal

Next Thursday we will be sending home boxes of chocolates for our annual fundraiser. Please contact Nicole in the office if you would prefer not to have a box sent home.

Junior Quest

This term, the Junior Unit will be participating in two Quest topics. Our first topic centres around Koorie history.

"Some overseas visitors to our school are wondering why an Acknowledgement of Country is given at the school assembly. They are also curious as to why we have 3 flags displayed. What information and facts could you give them?"

Students will be learning about Naidoc Week, and will also participate in the reading of Dreamtime stories.

Aboriginal art and music will also be a focus during this Quest. At the conclusion of our unit of work, students should know why we have the 3 flags displayed outside the office, and understand the reason we have the Acknowledgement of Country.







3/4 Unit Quest

The middle unit will participate in a Design and Technology unit of work during term 3, where the children will plan, design and budget for the construction of a model home.

During this unit of work students will learn about how real houses are built and what materials are used to build them, including thinking about sustainable building practises. They will learn about perimeter, area, scale and financial matters.

Working effectively with a partner will be an important component of this unit of work.





This Week at Appin Park!











Thank You!



A big thank you goes to APPA for supporting the purchase of headphones for all our middle and senior students. All students now have use of one to one iPads and headphones to support them in accessing our teaching and learning programs.

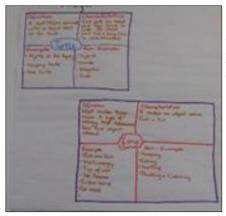






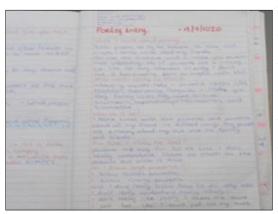
WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE 5/6 UNIT

By Ella N, Paige C & Abby J



The 5/6 unit in Reading have been looking at the Frayer Model to help build our vocabulary. We have been extracting words from our Mentor Texts and using the Frayer Model to get a deeper insight into new words.

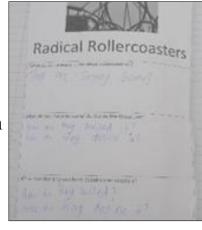
In Writing we have been learning about different poems and how they're formed. At the end of the term we are going to make a big book of poems that we've looked at and written.





In Maths we are doing multiplication. We are figuring out which method works best for us out of the Multiplication Algorithm or the Box Method.

In Quest we are learning about physics and Marble Runs. We are also learning about Roller Coasters and we are collecting materials from home to use in our epic marble runs. Near the end of the term we are hopefully going to have a big open day where our families can come and look at our creations.





Also, on Friday all the 5/6s are going to the YMCA to do some games and fitness stuff like Badminton, Top Ride, Racket Ball and a few more. This will be going on for 5 weeks.

Thank you to all our wonderful families for your support & understanding during this challenging time.

Return to School Reminders for Students & Carers:

- Students are to be dropped off and collected at one of the school entrances. Please support this by moving on once you have said goodbye. We ask that adults do not congregate around the school or enter the school grounds.
- All students need to bring a drink bottle. These can be refilled in the classroom. Bubbler taps are turned off.
- Students are not to bring any toys/sports equipment to school.
- When students are late, we ask that you remind them to come to the office on arrival. Please don't come into the school with them.
- For students needing to be collected early, please call the office when you arrive at drive through. Stay in your car and we will bring your child to you.
- Please communicate with your child's teacher via DoJo or email.
- All students and staff will be undertaking regular hand hygiene and there will be increased cleaning throughout the day.
- Please keep students home if they are feeling unwell. We will be calling parents to collect any child who is not feeling well.
- Please let us know if you or your child has a Covid-19 test and the results.
- We have been advised by DET that students are not to share food. This unfortunately means that students cannot bring cakes or other treats to celebrate their birthdays.

