

Look at Our Crazy Masks!



Koondrook Primary School respectfully acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay respects to the Barapa Barapa Elders past, present and future.

Koondrook Primary School

KPS: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

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Principal's Report

Curriculum Day

Just a reminder that Friday 28th of August is a curriculum day. The teachers will be working but there has been no work set for the students, so enjoy your day.

Prep 2021

At 6 o'clock tonight we will be holding a Prep Information Night on WebEx. If you know anybody who is interested in Prep 2021 and they haven't made contact with the school, could you encourage them to do so, so we can pass on information and enrolment packs.

Masks

Thank you to all the children who have decorated a mask as part of our challenge for our next assembly item. There is still time to decorate your mask and send a photo to Miss Bradford. We have some prizes for the best decorated masks.

Time for Hats

Next week we see the start of spring, which means it is time for hats to be worn during playtime and lunch time. If your child needs a new hat you need to put in an order with Judi on a Tuesday or a Thursday.

Book Club

Book Club orders are to be returned before September 3rd.

Assembly

Our next assembly will be on Friday, 4th September via WebEx. The code will be sent out prior to the Assembly.

Amanda Bradford

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2020

Term 3 ~ July 13th – September 18th

Term 4 ~ October 5th – December 18th

Public Holidays

November 5th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates to Remember

August 28th – Curriculum Day

November 20th – School Photos

Assemblies

September 4th – via WebEx

* Code will be sent out prior to Assembly



School Photos

Due to the restrictions we have at the moment School Photos have had to be changed to November 20th.

Children's Book Week – Curious Creatures, Wild Minds (theme this year)

Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) 2020 Shortlist

Early Childhood Section (0-6 years)



Picture Books (0-18 years)



Book of the Year: Younger Readers (novels 7-12 years)



This year because of the COVID -19 pandemic Book Week has been put back until October 17th – 23rd.

MARC Library Term 3

In Library this term we have looked at Leigh Hobbs (author/illustrator). We studied his book 'Mr Chicken All Over Australia'. We learnt about the states and capital cities in Australia, as well as tourist destinations that Mr Chicken visited: Big Banana, Big Pineapple, Bungle Bungles, boab tree, quokkas on Rottnest Island, Coober Pedy, Uluru, Sydney Opera House, Flinders Street Station, Tasmanian Devil etc. We have continued to look at author and illustrator talks i.e. Heath McKenzie (illustrator of Do Not Open This Book series). These talks have been recorded during our lockdown time and we have been able to access these. We are also looking at the Children's Book Council of Australia shortlisted books.



During our second take of Remote Learning, the Prep students at Koondrook Primary School have been busy learning about Space and the planets in our Solar System. So far, we have travelled to and explored Mercury, Venus, Earth, the Moon and Mars.

During our adventure to Earth, we put on our science goggles and completed an experiment. Using milk, dishwashing liquid and food colouring we created our own Earth. We had lots of fun getting our hands dirty (literally) and watching the colours of Earth mix together.

Here are some student quotes and photos of them enjoying completing their science experiment.

Archie – “I liked it when the milk turned into aqua”

Stella – “I liked blopping the colours into the milk and when all the different colours mixed together.

Henry – “It’s like colour is running away from the soap!”

Brylee – “This is so cool!”





NDCH

Northern District Community Health

NDCH-your first port of call in the pursuit of good health!

Maintaining Wellbeing in Primary School Children during COVID-19



Follow you kids cues

Listen to your kid's voice and their concerns around COVID. Be honest with them and answer in an age appropriate way. It is also important to correct misinformation and not promote fear or anger about the situation.

Help your kids play their part

Kids like to help and be a part of something. If you teach them that they can do their part by washing their hands, social distancing and following the rules they may be more likely to be proud of their efforts and feel like they are helping.

Build a routine

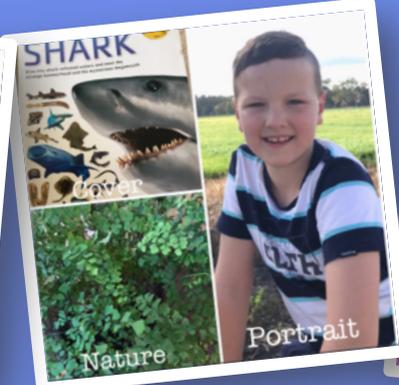
School is a really structured environment and kids take regular breaks. This helps kids focus when they are working. Build a routine that works for your household and allow the kids downtime, playtime and food breaks.

Praise effort

Learning comes from trialing things and making errors as much as it does from getting things right. Let your kids know you are proud of their efforts even if they don't get it correct straight away.

<https://www.mcri.edu.au/user/murdoch-childrens-media/blog/wellbeing-primary-school-aged-kids-during-covid19>

www.ndch.org.au



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LEGO STEM CHALLENGES

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO ENCOURAGE KIDS AND TEENS TO PURSUE EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM).

ARE YOU A LEGO FAN? THEN THIS IS THE CONTEST FOR YOU! YOU'LL USE BRICKS TO DESIGN AND BUILD...

robot

- USE YOUR ENGINEER SKILLS AND DESIGN A ROBOT!
- 1X ENTRY PER PERSON
- ALSO ANSWER THIS FOR US; **WHAT DOES AN ENGINEER DO?** SUBMIT YOUR ANSWER ALONG WITH YOUR CREATION

house

- USE YOUR ARCHITECT SKILLS TO DESIGN YOUR DREAM HOUSE!
- 1X ENTRY PER PERSON
- ALSO ANSWER THIS FOR US; **WHAT DOES AN ARCHITECT DO?** SUBMIT YOUR ANSWER ALONG WITH YOUR CREATION

bonus

- BUILD THE TALLEST TOWER OUT OF LEGO YOU CAN!
- TAKE A PHOTO OF YOUR TOWER WITH MEASURING TAPE TO SHOW THE HEIGHT **WINNER WILL RECEIVE \$50 SWAN HILL GIFT CARD**

PRIZES

OUR LOCAL JUDGES WILL BE LOOKING FOR:

- MOST CREATIVE DESIGN (STORYTELLING ABILITY)
- BEST DESIGN (TECHNICAL ABILITY)
- MOST COLOURFUL DESIGN

\$100 SWAN HILL GIFT CARD WILL BE AWARDED TO THE BEST CREATION FOR EACH OF THESE CATEGORIES

HOW TO ENTER

SEND US A **PHOTO OR VIDEO** OF YOUR CREATION AND THE **ANSWER TO THE QUESTION** RELATING TO THE CHALLENGE YOU ARE ENTERING ALONG WITH YOUR NAME, AGE AND SCHOOL TO ANY OF OUR SOCIALS OR EMAIL TO projects@mmlen.com
1X ENTRY PER CHALLENGE SO ENTER ALL 3 CHALLENGES FOR MORE CHANCES TO WIN!

**ENTRIES CLOSE
3RD SEP MIDNIGHT**



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LEGO STEM CHALLENGE

RULES AND GUIDELINES

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO ENCOURAGE KIDS AND TEENS TO PURSUE EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM).

IT'S IMPORTANT TO SET FUTURE GENERATIONS UP FOR SUCCESS AS CAREERS IN THESE FIELDS CONTINUE TO GROW; CAREERS FOR EXAMPLE INCLUDE ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND BUILDING JUST TO NAME A FEW.

rules

- ONCE CHALLENGES ARE ANNOUNCED YOU WILL HAVE 2 WEEKS TO BUILD YOUR CREATION BEFORE ENTRIES CLOSE
- 1X ENTRY PER CHALLENGE WHICH WILL INCLUDE A CAREER QUESTION TO ANSWER ALONG WITH YOUR ENTRY
- PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS AND SECONDARY STUDENTS WILL BE JUDGED SEPARATELY WITH PRIZES FOR EACH GROUP
- HOW TO ENTER: YOU WILL SEND A PHOTO OR VIDEO OF YOUR CREATION ALONG WITH YOUR NAME, AGE AND SCHOOL TO ANY OF OUR SOCIALS OR EMAIL ENTRY TO projects@mmlen.com
- LOCAL JUDGES INCLUDE: ARCHITECT - JIMMY GLEESON AND CIVIL ENGINEER - ESTHER THOMPSON

Prizes

- THERE WILL BE A PRIZE FOR MOST CREATIVE, MOST COLOURFUL AND BEST DESIGN FOR EACH CHALLENGE
- EACH WINNER WILL RECEIVE A \$100 SWAN HILL GIFT CARD TO SPEND AT PARTICIPATING STORES (PARTICIPATING STORES ATTACHED)
- THERE WILL BE A BONUS CHALLENGE ANNOUNCED WHERE THE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A \$50 SWAN HILL GIFT CARD

FOR MORE INFORMATION FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US ON OUR SOCIALS OR EMAIL US AT projects@mmlen.com

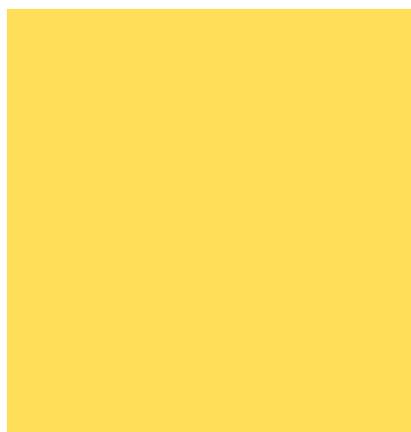
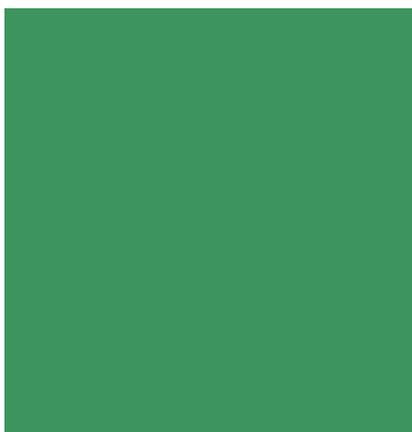


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2021 PREP ENROLMENTS ARE NOW DUE

PLEASE RETURN YOUR ENROLMENT, IMMUNISATION FORMS
AND BIRTH CERTIFICATE TO THE SCHOOL BY

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST