



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 2 (subject to change)

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7	23	24 Remote and flexible learning recommences	25	26	27
Week 8	30	31	1	2	3 P-2 Swimming
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Dear Parents and Carers,

As per the advice of the Victorian Chief Health Office we will provide remote and flexible learning at this stage until Thursday 2nd of September. The learning program in place must be consistent with the DET minimal guidelines below:

For students in Prep-2 schools will provide learning programs that include the following

- Literacy activities that take a total of about of 45-60 minutes
- Numeracy activities of about 30-45 minutes
- Additional learning areas, play based learning and physical activity of about 30-45 minutes

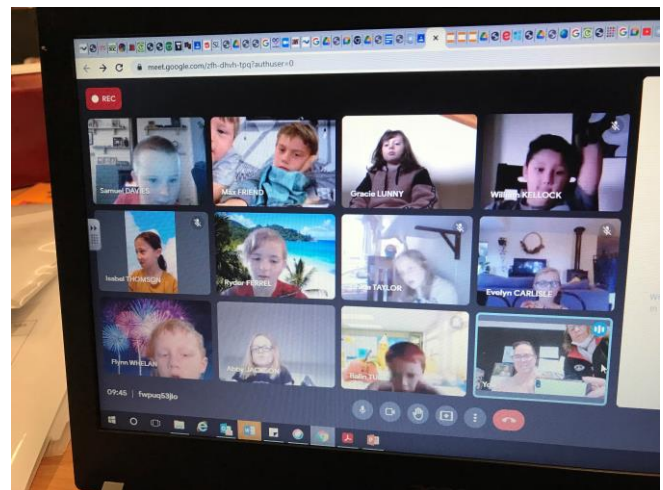
For students in grades 3-6 schools will provide learning programs that include the following

- Literacy 45-60 minutes
- Numeracy 30-45 minutes
- Physical activities 30 minutes
- Additional curriculum areas 90 minutes

Our daily Google Classroom morning sessions provide students with teaching time they need to keep extending their learning. Tasks are set that are manageable for students and parents. The 2.00pm session with teachers online is an opportunity for students to stay connected with their teachers and classmates.

After lockdown 5.0 I had a chat to a few parents about how they were going with learning remotely and whether the provision from our teachers was adequate. They said the key for them was getting into a routine

- 8:30 Up, dressed and brekky
- 9:00 Reading on Wushka
- 9:30 Get onto Google Classroom for teaching sessions
Follow up literacy activity
- 11:00 **Morning Tea Break**
- 11:30 Maths activity
- 12:15 Study ladder for independent practise
Child choice of required tasks
- 13:00 **Lunch**
Physical activity eg jump on the trampoline, play basketball
Downtime – watch a movie, play outside, go for a family bike ride art and craft



Well done 1/2 A for getting on online for your spelling lesson this morning

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Parents also said that they loved the teachers uploading their lessons for access anytime as things don't always run to plan in households. They believed the amount of work being provided was about right for them and their child. If anyone has any other feedback or tips to help and support our families, please send them in for our consideration.

Masks Onsite

The department of health has set the recommendation that students at primary school wear a face mask when at school. The implementation of this recommendation will be at parents discretion.

Community Consultation

Thank-you to the parents who joined me for our community consultation sessions over the past couple of weeks. We are grateful for your feedback and insights from your perspective as a parent of our school.

We do encourage all families to provide feedback via the annual **parent opinion survey** which is currently open. The survey details were posted on the skoolbag app a couple of times over the past fortnight. To access the survey you need to type the website into your browser and then use the school pin provided. If you need help with the technology we can help you here at school, just pop in and well get you set up an IPAD to complete the survey.

Grade 3/4 Gelantipy Camp

A group of very tired students returned to school last Wednesday after their 3-day camp at Gelantipy. Well done to all the students for stepping outside their comfort zone and trying things they haven't done before. Thanks to all the TAPS staff for their organisation of the camp and for their incredible care and encouragement of all students to participate and enjoy the experience of a school camp.

Best wishes to Ali who begins his long service leave next Monday. Mrs Plant will be teaching all grade 5/6 students who are learning remotely. If we come out of lockdown, Mr Smith will teach 5/6M until the end of the term. Enjoy your well-deserved break! Mrs Mackie.

Thanks for your continued support and let's keep supporting one another as best we can.

Kerry Hughes

Scholastic book orders also due back on the 27th of August.

0/1A and 0/1B

Here we go again. Thanks again to all parents and students for their flexibility and adaptability during remote and flexible learning. Please reach out to us if there is anything we can do to assist you.

This week's focus:

Reading

This week is book week! On Friday we will be completing activities related to one of the shortlisted books 'Norton and the bear' by Gabriel Evans. We encourage you to also be reading picture books to your child. This week we will also be focusing on a range of reading and responding activities.

Writing

This week we will be focusing on the different parts of a sentence, followed by a writing and editing a piece of 'rocket writing'. On Friday, students will complete a language activity based on Norton and the bear. This week we are revising the high frequency words we already know as well as looking at the new ones 'ate', 'very', 'all' and 'upon'. Students will also be looking at the 'Bossy e' as well as revising the letters and sounds of p and q.

Maths

Last week students completed an activity around different combinations of coloured counters in a cup. This week they will be continuing with an activity similar to this. In addition, students will also be exploring skip counting and addition strategies through a range of tasks.

See below of some pictures of our activities last week.

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Thanks and have a great week!
Eliza Cunningham and Naomi Cock

1/2A

Hi everyone,

Hope you are staying safe, dry and well for our first week back into remote learning. I know that working and learning from home can be hard on families and I would like to thank everyone for taking lockdowns on like champions!

Our lockdown learning will be a mixture of revising work that we have done in class and moving on with our learning. You would have already seen today that we have started our new sounds for this week, the bossy e, and looking forward to everyone learning the song over the next week! (Apologies for the ear worm coming your way parents and carers!)

We will be focusing on literal and inferential questions this week in reading, strategies that have been introduced in class and students are beginning to understand the difference in questions where answers can be found in the text and those which need a little more information to be used to answer them (e.g. pictures and prior experiences).

Maths sees us finishing our mass portion of the measurement unit and revising the knowledge that we have been learning with addition, especially around the use of number lines to help us to solve addition problems.

We will have a writing project going on for the entirety of lockdown. The project will eventually lead into the development of an information poster. This week we will be looking at our stories and writing the introduction and facts, in order for them to be edited on Monday.

I am always only a message away if you ever need help during this time!
Kind regards,
Miss Castleman

3/4AB

Here we are again in Lockdown but we can do this! Firstly, we would like to reflect on the awesome time everyone had on camp last week. All students participated in every activity, cooperated with staff, their activity groups and cabin buddies. It was such a wonderful experience and we are super glad that we managed to get the camp in before Lockdown 7. We've attached the group photo take at the top of Dingo Hill and the smiles on everyone's faces reflect the enthusiasm of every student throughout the camp. Google Meets are at 10 am for 3/4A, at 10:30 am for 3/4B and then 2pm for both classes on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The morning sessions are when we will be teaching the children and then the 2pm sessions are when we can chat and catch up on news. Please get online as it is wonderful to see the children and engage with them.

In literacy this week we will be continuing our focus on Information Reports. Students will be taking facts and creating sentences, then putting all their information about a selected topic into a report. Students are encouraged to do this online where they can then edit and publish their reports. Miss Haldane and Mrs Murray will go through this process in the google meets today.

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In maths we continue with fractions and time. There are quizzes, online activities and some worksheets to be completed. If students are finding them to be challenging, they are encouraged to seek assistance by leaving comments for their teacher who will get back to them as soon as they can.

Mrs Murray has set a bit of a creative challenge: **One Black Dot Can Be...**

Draw a black dot on a piece of paper and then see what drawing or painting or creation you can make starting with a black dot. Let your imagination go wild!! There are no constraints on mediums - pencil, paint, nature, beads, paper – the list is endless. I want everyone to upload their picture so that we can share our visions and see what pictures other students can create from a single black dot on Friday. I already have a few ideas, and I will post my image(s) during the week. Please, join me in my challenge to see what we can create from a single dot. If you want, make more than one creation!

Please remember to take regular breaks from your learning time and screen time. If you have any issues, you can contact us via the school or email: Larissa.murray@education.vic.gov.au or Elizabeth.haldane@education.vic.gov.au.

Have a great week!

Miss Haldane, Mrs Murray, Shelley, Lisa and Lizzie

5/6 News

Hi everyone, it is great to see how well our senior students slip back into the learn @ home routine. We have included a weekly timetable that will support students and parents with organizing the activities and give guidelines as to our expectations of what the students should be completing daily. We hope this helps.

The Lions Club Public Speaking competition is still going ahead, although in a slightly different format. We are asking students to complete and practice their speeches at home. When they are happy with their presentation, we would like students to film themselves on their devices. This film will be sent to us and the students will be selected and forwarded through to the Lions Club Judges. The students have been preparing their speeches at school. If students need to pick up their speeches please let us know and we will leave their work at the office ready for pick up. Speeches need to be sent to us by **Monday the 30th August**. We are looking forward to seeing the students' submissions.

At the end of this week I will be going on long service leave. I will be returning to school at the beginning of term 4 ready for a very busy final term. I can't believe we are nearly in term 4, the year has flown! Steve Smith will be in my room during this period. Barb Plant will be running my Google meet sessions during remote learning and I wish to thank her very much for taking on this extra responsibility. The kids are in very safe hands.

Please contact us if you have any questions or difficulties with the learn at home tasks and we will do our best to trouble shoot at this end.

Stay safe and well..

Ali and Barb

FRENCH

Bonjour,

And we are back in lockdown with the weather making sure that we are staying safe and warm at home!

Students in Prep to grade 2 will review their numbers. We'll also start learning how to say where we live in French.

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Grades 3 to 6 will work on a bit of French culture. Our focus this week will be on learning about the history of the French flag and learning about other French-speaking countries. In doing so, we'll take the opportunity to review our colours in French.

Good luck and stay safe!
Bonne semaine à tous!

Madame Samson

SPORTS NEWS

District Athletics at Howitt Park Bairnsdale

Well done to all the TAPS students who competed in the District Athletics at Howitt Park last Thursday. We were so lucky to be able to run this event for the first time in 2 years!

It was a beautiful day, there were many outstanding performances and students from all schools were such great sports. I was so pleased to hear Keanu Brown from Grade 3/4 comment that he was amazed how friendly his competitors in his triple jump event were. "They were all really friendly and supportive, even though we were all competing against each other. It felt really good".



Congratulations to these students who finished top 3 in their events:

Noah Romeril 2nd 1500m

Billy Warfe 2nd Long Jump 3rd Hurdles

Alissah Edwards 1st Shot put 1st Discus

Bianca Gardam 2nd Shot put 2nd Discus 3rd 100m 3rd Long Jump

Mali Niven 1st 100m

Elizabeth Sowden 2nd Triple Jump

Jesse Johnson 1st Discus

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Cassie Roberts 3rd High Jump 2nd Long Jump 3rd 200m

Chace Naylor 2nd Triple Jump 1st High Jump

Mitchell Naylor 2nd Long Jump 1st 200m 2nd Shot put

Oliver Nguyen 2nd 100m 3rd 200m

Billy Warfe 3rd 100m 1st 800m 3rd Hurdles 2nd Long Jump

Keanu Brown 2nd Triple Jump

11 year old boys 4 x 100m 3rd (Mitchell Naylor, Chace Naylor, Cody Nairn, Lochlan Shankland)

10 year old boys 4 x 100m 2nd (Oliver Nguyen, Billy Warfe, Keanu Brown, Archer Niven)

12 year old girls 4 x 100m 2nd (Mali Niven, Alissah Edwards, Elizabeth Sowden, Bianca Gardam)

Important Sport dates for Term 3 2021

Monday 13th September Division Athletics at Howitt Park – 10.00 am (back up Wed 15th Sep)

BARB PLANT (SPORT COORDINATOR)

ART

Students have been very busy last week, working primarily with paint, tissue paper and glue. Here are some great examples of creativity.



Installation piece to be displayed in the Senior building middle room.



Lamps by Senior Students repurposing Plant guards.



Students from Miss Haldane's and Mrs Murray's class working on their 'story boxes'.



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Work-in-progress by Storm Stoddart and Lukah Beveridge.



Coen Buck-Roberts and Declan Bills with their 'paint-blot monsters.'

Jobi Laybourne.

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