



Our students are confident learners and caring citizens prepared for their futures.

Please note that all events during Term 3 could change depending on restrictions.

Thanks for your understanding!

- August -	
Tue 3	7pm Governing Council Meeting (online); all GC Members will be sent a link to attend
Thu 5	Paralympic Webinar Year 2/3 & 4/5s
Thu 5	Pizza Lunch Day: whole school – no cost; allergies accommodated
Fri 6	Comfy Clothes Casual Day
Fri 13	Science Week incursion + 3.30pm Escape Room
Wed 25	9am Book Week Parade 1.50pm Splash Theatre Performance: The Book Show 2021 (students only)
- September -	
Thu 2	Kitchen Garden Pizza Fundraiser If your oldest child is in R-3
Thu 2	6.30 - 8pm Music Night @ school featuring our own students: children can sign up via SkoolBag form or by contacting the office
Fri 3	Nature Play Day
Mon 6	Dental Van Visit
Tue 7	7pm Governing Council Meeting
Thu 9	SAPSASA Athletics
Thu 16	2.45pm Assembly
Thu 16	Kitchen Garden Pizza Fundraiser If your oldest child is in Yr 4-7
Fri 17	Short Film Festival Night TBC
Thu 23	Whole School Photo Day **please note the date change**
Fri 24	Final Day of Term 3: Early dismissal @ 2.20pm
- December -	
Wed 1	End of Year Concert @ 6.30pm <b>*save the date!*</b>

## Welcome to the Week 2 Newsletter

Well, what a week! It has been wonderful to see all our students bouncing back into school this week.

Wednesday was *noisy* with kids catching up and excited to be back at school.

A big thank you to all our families for respecting the restrictions; please do not hesitate to call or email myself or teachers if you need to chat.

On Wednesday morning I met with our SRC to discuss ideas we could add to our calendar given a lot of events have had to be postponed or cancelled.

The SRC created individual lists, collated their ideas then ranked their favourites to come up with some great ideas for the next couple of weeks. These included visits to Riverbend Park for a scavenger hunt, sports, bridge building and nature play.

In fact each of our classes have already been to Riverbend Park this week for water testing, nature play and Olympics 'events'.

Thursday next week, our SRC has organised a Pizza Lunch Day, where every student in our school gets to make and eat their own pizza for lunch!

On Friday we will have a Comfy Clothes Casual Day and we are planning a Wheels Day for some time in Week 4, when students can bring bikes, scooters and skateboards to school – more info to come!

Our Term 3 Planner is attached, with most events still a 'wait and see', however, we will celebrate Book Week with a dress up parade on Wednesday, 25 August so please start thinking about costumes.

We have also managed to book the amazing C3 Church (thank you Kathy!) for our End of Year Concert on Wednesday, 1 December, so please add this date to your calendars.

Our students will be engaged in varied and engaging learning this term and we will continue to keep you updated through SkoolBag, SeeSaw accounts, newsletters, email and videos.

Please keep in touch during this difficult time and we look forward to welcoming our community back on-site in the coming days and weeks.

*David Hodges*, Principal



Our Year 6/7 Class is in the process of having several sessions with one of our super-creative parents Brad, co-founder of No Anchovies Studios (a company that, among other things, has experience in producing and filming documentaries). Several groups in the class are working to write, produce and star in their own unique short films. This work will culminate in a screening on Friday, 17 September, the debut of our Clarendon Film Festival, which we plan to make an annual event. Brad even designed the cool logo; thanks to Brad for all the time he is putting into this project – our Year 6/7s are *really* looking forward to the very first Clarendon Film Festival.

## Welcome to Student Teacher Lexi

We are pleased to welcome a pre-service teacher from Charles Darwin University, Lexi O'Connor (Ms O'Connor) to our Reception/Year 1 Class for her final teaching placement. Lexi has been working in early childhood education for many years and will spend the next 6 weeks in Mrs Furner's classroom before she can finally be released into the world of teaching. We are so grateful that teaching pracs are able to go ahead with the current restrictions in place and we hope to make a good impression on Lexi.

## Music Night @ School: 6.30pm Thursday, 2 September

If your child is learning an instrument and they are keen to perform at a Music Night here at school, please register their interest on SkoolBag or get in touch with the office. Children will need to include their name, the instrument they intend to play (singers are welcome too) and what song they will perform. Our guitar teacher Sully has made himself available on the night and is very happy to accompany students if they arrange this with him.

## Table Tennis Medallists

Congratulations to Macy, Beth, Mia and Ella who earned themselves silver medals following the inter-school table tennis tournament at the end of last term. They are a particularly cool accessory given it's Olympics season right now. Well done, girls!



## Year 4/5 Endangered Species Art

In the office there is a beautiful display of artwork from our Year 4/5 Class (when you are allowed in to view it!). Our students have entered an Endangered Species Art Competition put on by the Australian Conservation Foundation. Here are Lexi, Lilly & Tasmin with their entries.

## Year 6/7 Dioramas

We read *Coraline* and made a model based on one of the parts we found interesting in the book. I did the mirror in the wall where Coraline gets trapped. **Edith**

My idea was inspired by Coraline's grandmother's room with old antique furniture. In that room is a wooden door that leads to another world that is much better than hers. We watched the movie and it was amazing – it was all animation and we heard that it took about 2 years to make. **Bella**



**Our Reception/Year 1 Class has been counting the days of learning here at school, and today they reached 100 days (including those days worked at home).**

Christian in Reception, with some help from mum Alice, wrote this beautiful poem during lockdown...we sure have fit a lot of learning into 100 days!

## 100 Days of Learning

One hundred days of learning has been so much fun.  
One hundred days of learning; it's only just begun.  
We've learnt our names and played some games.  
We've made pet clouds and sang aloud,  
We've learnt to cook and read our books.  
I went on camp to Arbury Park, where we listened to stories in the dark.  
We've coloured flowers and escaped rain showers.  
We've had Nature Play and Harmony Day.  
We've learnt about the Kauma people, and we've learnt about their land.  
We've also made volcanoes, erupting from the sand.  
We've been swimming in the pool, and had discos at the school.  
We've been to the gallery to see art, and made our Mother's Day crafts.  
I've learnt to play tap ball, and managed a tree fall.  
We went to see the orchestra, their instruments and songs.  
I ran a sprint on Sport Day, and my team Thorpe, we won!  
I will continue to grow, and expand what I know.  
One hundred days of learning has been so much fun.  
It's time to celebrate what we have done.  
Let's shout hip hip hooray...and have some fun!

### At-Home Learning



Justin worked up a sweat on the tools, splitting some much-needed firewood



Emily made breakfast for her family: strawberry smoothies & French omelettes



Jordan & Hannah continued to work on their cubby and outdoor space



Lachie & Lincoln joined forces to make lemon cupcakes

We were so pleased to hear from all of our families during the lockdown period to find out what they had been up to at home.

Of course, we were glad that the kids completed some tasks in the subject areas that were prescribed, but it was exciting to hear about the other tasks that were undertaken at home that were really helpful to their parents in an every-day sense: splitting firewood, helping in the garden and cooking are all important activities that help a household run smoothly.

Well done, not just to these children who are pictured, but all of those who thought outside the square during lockdown.

## Potato Olympics – Reception/Year 1 & Year 6/7 Classes

Our Reception/Year 1 students drew on some potatoes during the week and today competed with them *and* their buddies in the **Potato Olympics!**

The robust potatoes were used as balls, shot-puts, bocce balls, arrows and finally relay batons. The kids were all paired with a buddy as they rotated through the various events. Our final relay race ended in Josh (Year 7) & Cooper (Year 1) claiming victory. Well done to all of our Olympians for their persistence and perseverance.



## Book Week Celebration: Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds

We will be celebrating Book Week in one way or another on Wednesday, 25 August. We have booked Splash Theatre Company come to entertain us and will have a dress up day and parade.

**We would like to encourage all the students to dress up for the day to help celebrate our love of reading and books.**

The theme for this year is **Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds**. This theme gives for quite an array of dress up ideas – think historians, aliens, other countries and cultures...