



Reaching Higher

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Welcome to Cameron's Corner

WELCOME BACK

As we begin to embark on the return to school process next week for our Foundation – 2 students it would be remiss of me not to think back on how far we have come. The journey may have been forced upon us but I can't help but be amazed and thankful to everyone in our school community for the way you have all come together. Our students have adapted to a new online way of learning and I know have developed skills they may not have otherwise done so early in their schooling.

These photos were taken this morning of 3 Foundation students engaging with Mrs. Struthers and the a few friends from the comfort of our staffroom. We also had some older students engage with some deep sea divers on a virtual excursion this morning through a program called Reef HQ.



Rest assured the advances and challenges we have overcome through this pandemic will go a long way to providing us with avenues for expanded learning opportunities into the future.

RETURN TO SCHOOL PROTOCOLS

Attached to this Compass post and saved in the School Documentation tab is a document outlining our return to school protocols in detail, with references to the Department of Education documentation. Please rest assured that every precaution has been taken into account to make sure our school is perfectly equipped for student return next week. Cleaning has been occurring twice

Teamwork

Integrity

Excellence

Respect

daily, hand sanitiser is in every classroom and social distancing measures have been and will continue to be in place until further notice. Whilst the Return to School documentation has all of the details, here is a brief summary.

- School operates on normal times, with an 8:50 starting bell for a 9am start. Please do not be late.
- Foundation families may drop students on the grass area outside the room.
- All other parents are not to enter the school grounds. This is the advice of the Chief Medical Officer.
- Please remember all social distancing measures are in place and need to be adhered to.
- Foundation – 2 students may like to bring coloured pencils and a pencil case or even a mug to store their pencils in. School pencils that were supplied through the book order will not be able to be shared this term due to the need for disinfecting after each use.
- School cleaning will occur twice a day.
- Drop off will be the busiest part of the day. Please ask siblings to collect each other and meet at a predetermined place. Staff will be on duty after school to assist.



ENROLMENT FOR 2021

It may seem strange to be asking for enrolment forms this early and in the current climate but we have been receiving a number of enquires and bookings for tours already. If you know of anyone who is looking to start school next year please ask them to get in touch. I am offering socially distanced school tours and personalised phone calls for any families interested in our great school.

GARDEN WORK

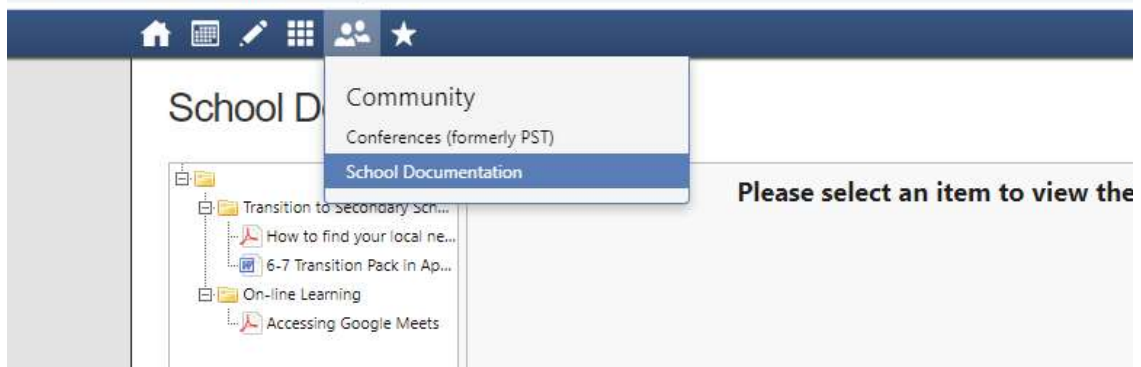


We have had some work done on the front corner of Broome and Blackwood and the comments so far from passers-by have been very complimentary. We will continue to work on this area with clearing, pruning and the creation of some new garden beds. I'm sure you will agree it looks great already.

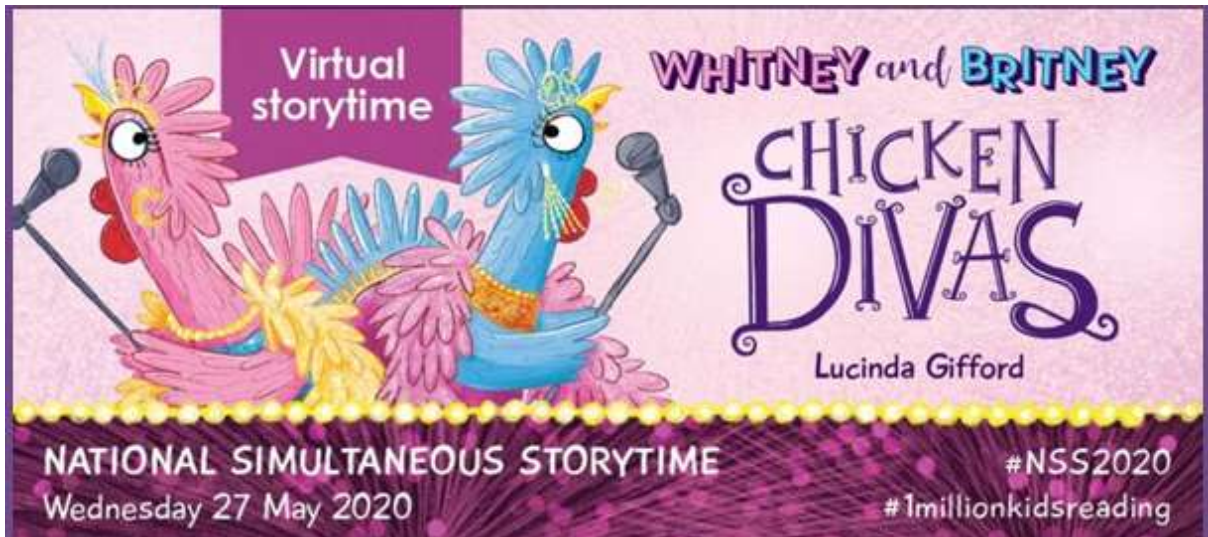


COMPASS DOCUMENT STORAGE

Some parents have noted that after a period of time, generally a week, some Compass posts will disappear. This can be frustrating when you need to download a form or access a sheet so I have set up a Community Section for the permanent storage of school documentation. Simply follow the links described below and you will see a number of recently posted documents. If there are things that you would like to see there please let us know and we will make them available.



Kind Regards,
Cameron.



MPPS Calendar of Events

MAY

Monday 25 **Curriculum Day, no school or on-site supervision**

Tuesday 26 Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 Return to On-Site School

Wednesday 27 National Simultaneous Storytime

JUNE

Monday 8 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 9 Grades 3 to 6 Return to Onsite School

Friday 26 Last Day of Term 2, 2.30pm dismissal

JULY

Monday 13 First Day Term 3

All parents/guardians, visitors & volunteers to the school MUST sign in & out of the school and display their WWCC in a lanyard, which is available at the school office.

The Department of Education requires any person involved in an activity where children may be present to have a current WWCC or have supplied proof that they have applied for a WWCC with the Department of Justice. All schools are required to comply with the Working with Children Act 2005.

Volunteers are expected to carry the WWCC card on their person at all times when working or volunteering at the school or during school related activities.

There is no fee for this check. Apply now by visiting: www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au



MENTONE PARK PRIMARY – T2, 2020

**RESUMPTION OF SERVICE
FRIDAYS FROM 29TH MAY!**

Greetings to everyone at MPP!

We hope that you and your families have all managed well through the Covid19 Change of Life. It's been wonderful and we are extremely grateful to have received so many emails from your school community sending kind wishes to our business in what has been a particularly difficult time.....obviously, we've been totally shuttered but it's now time, as our children return to face to face learning, to take tentative steps back to life - with your continued support.

Obviously, the landscape looks a bit different for us in terms of running our Food Preparation Kitchen and our Packing Room with the new social distancing guidelines. We want you to know and be assured that we have Food Safety and Occupation Health and Safety at the forefront of our minds. In our workplace Masks, Gloves and Temperature Checks will be the new norm for all of our staff. In terms of Food Handling and Safety we've always adhered to best practice and fortunately never had a food safety issue so we're confident we can operate safely on that level!

In the first instance for the remainder of Term 2, while we find our way in this new normal, we will be operating a reduced Menu which will be posted online shortly.

We look forward to resuming our service and continuing to delight your school community with our Lunch Service.

www.classroomcuisine.com.au



Welcome Back!

**ALL PSW STORES ARE REOPENING FROM
WEDNESDAY MAY 20th**

**Wed, Thurs & Fridays / 9am-5pm and Saturdays 10am-1pm
(Closed Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays)**

**OUR ONLINE STORE IS OPERATIONAL AT PSW.COM.AU
& SHIPPING ORDERS WITHIN 72 HRS!**



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Friday 12 June • Commencing 9:00am

Applications for Year 7, 2022

close Friday 21 August 2020

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Classes in **REAL-TIME** with wonderful art instructors. The kids get to interact and create amazing art together via a virtual classroom.

We make sure it's easy for parents and have created lesson plans that use a lot of things that you would already have, and anything you don't have is an easy, affordable online order delivered to your door.

Having an opportunity to express themselves and interact with other children is so important.

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Thursday: 4pm to 5pm

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If for ANY reason you don't want to continue after the first two classes you'll get a full refund.



Kids have been loving the classes already!

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