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Newsletter

'We may be small but we've got it all!'

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*We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future.
We acknowledge the stories, traditions and living cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on
this land and commit to building a brighter future together.*



TERM 1, 2021 CALENDAR

Curriculum Day—TOMORROW

no students to attend school.

Easter Colours Casual Dress—Thursday 1st April

End of term 1 - Thursday, 1st April

Good Friday Public Holiday—Friday 2nd April

Start of term 2—Monday, 19th April

Above and beyond

Our two super students for this week are Charly and Charlotte, who worked tirelessly, without resistance, at the Wallan market last weekend. THANK YOU

STUDENT AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Aidan H—for his ability to add detail in his writing.

Charlotte P—for creating interesting and funny sentences in her writing.

Sam S—for showing resilience in class and participating positively.

ART—Theodore M—for his enthusiasm during the cartoon drawing workshop.

SPORT—Tommy F—for his excellent running and basketball skills.

KITCHEN/GARDEN

Jaide D—for being a positive role model in the kitchen and being responsible and



3 WAY CONFERENCES

Next week, over three nights we will be running our 3 Way conferences. Each conference will be 15 minutes in total—5 minutes for the students to celebrate and share work that they are proud of, 5 minutes for the teacher to report on students progress and 5 minutes for the parents to clarify and ask questions. Parents are asked to allocate a time through UeducateUs. If you think that you will need more than the allotted 15 minutes, please speak to your child's teacher directly and organise an alternative time. If you need any help or have any questions please send me or Simon and email or give us a call.

FUNDRAISING:

♦ CAR BOOT FUNDRAISER—POSTPONED

Please note that the car boot sale fundraising event has been postponed until November.

♦ BUNNINGS BBQ

We have the opportunity to run a Bunnings BBQ on May 1st @ Craigieburn Bunnings. This will be another opportunity to build our funds to replace the old and worn out red twisty slide with something like this one pictured. The students will have input into the final choice of slide.



CURRICULUM DAY—STUDENT FREE—TOMORROW

Tomorrow, 19th March the teachers will be attending Heskett PS to undergo Cultural Understanding & Safety training (CUST).

All staff, including our educational support staff and one of our school councillors will be attending the training.

SCHOOL VALUES

It is great to see that our students demonstrate the school values at school. We pride ourselves on the way our students treat each other. However, just of late, there has been a few incidents where a student has intentionally hurt another student. This is absolutely not okay. At DGPS there is never any reason to hurt another person physically. We have zero tolerance to this.

EASTER CELEBRATIONS

The last day of school this term, Thursday 1st April, we will be running a rotation of Easter activities—which MAY INCLUDE an Easter Egg hunt.

The students should come dressed in Easter colours—PURPLE, WHITE, RED, PINK, GREEN AND GOLD.

School will finish at 2.30 pm on this day.



SRC AWARD

Shiloh—for looking after others in the playground.

KIMOCHI'S



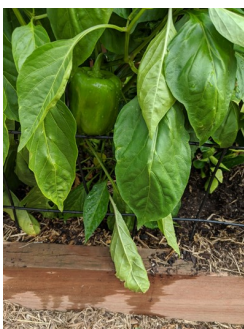
This week you are going to meet 'HUGGTOPUS'

Huggtopus is all smiles and hugs. She is very affectionate and strong and sometimes gets a little carried away by her big friendly personality. Huggtopus doesn't know her own strength and can sometimes be a little overbearing. She always means well but has to learn about respecting others boundaries.

You can always count on Huggtopus to put a smile on your face if you're feeling down and to give you a great big hug to make you feel better. Huggtopus is a great friend and is always there to lend a hand or two or even 6. Huggtopus lives in Bugs swimming hole. Her favourite number is 8 and her favourite colour is pink. Hugs loves to eat EVERYTHING but has a special fondness for bubble gum. Huggtopus plays the xylophone.

GARDEN—TO—KITCHEN

Last week our little gardeners planted some seeds in their newly painted pots and have placed them in our house of bottles, hopefully to watch them germinate in the next week. We also had a small team of students, join myself and Scott, to pick some pears from a local garden. The students will use the pears to make apple and pear crumble and poached pears. YUM YUM!



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- Come to an ONLINE information session
- Meet our staff, volunteer carers and puppies

See how you can help make a difference to people who are blind or have low vision.

Location:

Choose your preferred session date and time:

Date: Tuesday, 13 April 2021
Time: 10.30am-11.30am

Date: Tuesday, 11 May 2021
Time: 10.30am-11.30am

Date: Tuesday, 8 June 2021
Time: 10.30am-11.30am

Everyone welcome!

For registration and enquiries:
Email: sedvolunteer@visionaustralia.org
Phone: 1800 03 77 73
Visit: sed.visionaustralia.org



Week 8 Sport for the Senior Class

On Tuesday we had a sport. We played basketball and poison ball and we went for a run.

The balls were flying in all directions as we breathed heavily to get to the other side. People got hit with these nasty balls. They then retreated to the other side and fired the nasty poison balls at us.

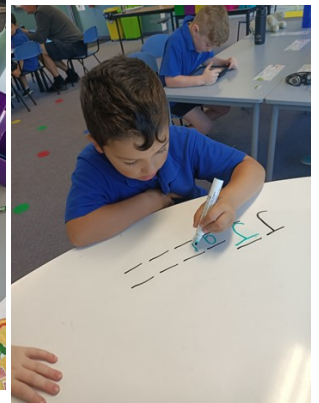
We then went for a run around the oval. Our feet were in pain as we jumped across the finish line. Mr Boxall finally lost!! We cheered and celebrated over and over again for we got our sweet, sweet victory, YAY! After all that hard work we went to go play basketball.

We learned how to throw and shoot the ball. Our shoes crunched on the concrete as we played relay basketball. We had to run around cones, dribbling the stone hard ball, we also tried our hand at shooting the basketball. The record for shooting the ball was a score of six hoops! We had lots of fun!!

BY Katie, Dominic and Jude

JUNIOR CLASSROOM

Over the past week the Foundation and Grade 1 students have been focusing on graphing and letter size when writing. In maths, the students were given pizza topping and had to decorate their pizza. With this information, they needed to graph their topping choice in order to see which topping their pizza had the most of and compare it with other students. Next week we are moving onto thinking of good ideas for our writing and learning all about teen numbers.



MIDDLE CLASSROOM: This week the students in the middle class have worked hard all week in maths. They have been focusing on their addition and subtraction skills. Some students have been using number lines to solve addition and subtraction problems. Some students have worked on subtraction problems using the phrase 'knock next door' when they are exchanging. Some students have solved 3- and 4-digit addition problems with regrouping. All of the students showed great enthusiasm during all activities.