

HOLMAN PLACE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2020 TERM 2 WEEK 6

Friday 5th June 2020

From the Principal

Student of the Week Week 6



Xaviour Daglish Schenk

Welcome back to all of our families after what we can say has just been such a random year.

We have been so excited to have the students back at school. The laughter, sounds and playing is so great to see and hear in the classes and on the playground. As we reconnect and re-establish the routines of the classes there may be some little speed bumps, however we are all together on the journey.

REPORTS

This semester's reports will look a little different to our usual ones.

The Department has allowed schools to modify the reporting structure to help support the different ways in which students have learnt over the last few months.

Our reports should be sent out at the end of the term with the new format already completed and staff now gathering assessment data for the students.

P&C NEWS

Unfortunately, the P&C have been unable to meet due to current restrictions however, if you would like to come to a meeting, please let me know and I will forward on your details to the ladies on the committee.

FENCE

Earlier this term, the final measurements for our fence were completed and we are now just awaiting the contractor to call for a start date.

Once this has been made I will let our school community know as there may be some changes in regards to transport in and out of the school.

ASSISTED SCHOOL TRANSPORT

A reminder to families whose children catch Assisted School Transport, to ensure that a nominated adult is present at the agreed arrival / departure time. This includes a 15 minute period before and after the set time (a 30 minute block of time).

Transport is only able to wait for a maximum of three minutes.

WELCOME

Welcome to Fazal and his family to our Holman Place School family. Fazal has started in the Koala Class this term.

SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING

We have DUT out Expression of Interests for teacher and SLSO positions for terms 3 and 4 with additional funding from the Department. Staff will be assisting with around the programs school to supplement the staffing already here.

If you know of any people who may be interested, please pass on the school number to discuss.

The funding is also allowing us to employ an Occupational Therapist for one day per week.

Beck

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Wombats

The Wombats are back and doing what they do best, learning through play. Thanks to all our families for ensuring our students were learning while at home.

Individual students are engaged in I-I reading activities on a daily basis. The children have been listening to readings of The Very Hungry Caterpillar in the afternoons as well as completing craft activities to support the reading.

As numeracy and literacy are our main focus, students continue to participate in varied activities in these areas. The Number of the Day activity on Maths Starters has been particularly popular with the students. Education.com, Mathletics and Reading Eggs have been invaluable learning platforms which also supports the development and growth of computer skills for students.

Handwashing practice has been part of our routine and will be especially as we move into the flu season.

Miss Esther and Sue



Koalas

It has been wonderful to have everyone back in the class after our little interruption through the pandemic. I'm sure that everyone will remember this time and how different it has been. With all the excellent work that was done with parents at home I feel that the learning won't have been disrupted too much.

We have hit the ground running and have quickly got back to the old routines. All the students have been showing that they are willing to learn and are all trying to their best.

Our new science unit is on the Solar System and we have started learning about the planets and moons. Lucky for us with the launch of the new Space X Rocket to the International Space Station was great timing and allowed quality learning.

We are happy to welcome Fazal to the class from this term.

Mr John, Nat, Sharon & Lisa



Goanna

The Goannas are loving being back at school. We are all back working very hard and enjoying being together again.

Thank you to all the parents for your support over this difficult time, and for helping your children to continue their learning at home. In literacy this week we have been reading Aliens Love Underpants. It's a very funny story that has linked to our science unit Weather in our World and also in art and craft we have produced some very interesting aliens wearing underpants.

Th last two weeks in Numeracy have focussed on shapes both 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional.

The rest of the term we will be working on measurement, time, length, mass and volume and capacity.

As the weather gets colder please ensure your child has a jumper to wear on the playground.

Miss Kylie, Tash & Mylissa

Emus

This morning, we were privileged to attend a virtual talk with Alex Almoukov, an Australian bi-athlete who competed in the 2010 Winter Olympic Games for Australia. His talk was very inspiring as he told that with us perseverance, good а work ethic and resilience, we can achieve our goals

and be as good as those who are talented in a relatively short space of time.

In class, we have begun learning about Earth's Resources in Science and focussing on Water in the World in Geography. We learnt that 2.3% of the earth's water is fresh water and that most of it is underground or frozen. Throughout this week we have been producing amazing collages in Visual Arts which when completed should be framed. They are so good.

Thank you to those parents who supported their child's learning at home during their stay at home.

Miss Cathy & Ruth

Kangaroos

This term, since the Kangaroos have been working diligently, in and out of class. Thanks to all the hard-working parents who supported the home school program!

Our artwork challenge this week was to apply our knowledge of basic shapes and design a scene for our individual piece. It was pleasing to observe the students use their creativity in choosing their designs.

We have also enjoyed participating in an obstacle course in PE. Caelan received the first Courage Award for his participation last week. As part of our Maths program we have been learning about lines, shapes and angles. Finally, we enjoyed the video link up with the Australian Olympian, Biathlete Alex Almoukov, who challenged the students to set goals and aim high. From being a child who didn't like, or do well at school he has risen to Olympic standards.

Miss Silvia & Chris







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Important Dates:

Friday 3rd July Last Day of Term 2

Tuesday 21st July First Day of Term 3

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