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Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 11

Dear Parents,

Learning From Home – What's Next!

I want to thank you all for your efforts with **Learning From Home** over the past 2 weeks. It has been a very difficult time and unfortunately it doesn't look like things will get back to normal for a while yet.

The message continues for Term 2 - Where possible, parents are encouraged to keep their children home during the COVID19 pandemic.

Schools remain open for essential workers. We expect that the Learning From Home model will continue for **all of Term 2**, which I anticipate will put a lot of strain on families. Not having the routine of physically coming to school and encouraging your kids to work at home will continue to present challenges. Remember we are here with you so please call if things are proving difficult.

Just do your best, we will assess any gaps in student learning when we return and ensure we fix it!

We have tried really hard in our packages to keep the work very similar to what they have done in class, most of the work so far has been familiar to them.

Most of you requested the paper packages to continue and this will remain the main focus in Term 2. This work must be done first. We encourage you to try new learning or your 'own thing' BUT school work must continue to be the priority and be completed on the day scheduled in the timetable.

We will try 2 different learning platforms in Term 2. **Seesaw** for the K-2 class, Year 3 will join 4-6 with using **Google Classroom** and we will use **Zoom** occasionally to check in and connect with our students. This is an 'access when you can' resource, we are well aware not all our families have adequate internet or any internet at all, but we are conscious that our kids are also missing each other so connecting with you all will be important.

Term 2 Timetable

The timetable for Term 2 now includes a section at the bottom of each day to indicate if work has been completed and a spot for parents to sign off. If the work is not completed for the day please tick incomplete and give a reason eg SICK. This helps us with the roll we need to mark for each student.

Term 2 Week 1 PACKS – Office open Friday 24th April from 9am-12pm.

These can be collected from the school office on Friday 24th April (Last day of school Holidays). We will open the school especially so you can collect your pack ready to start in week 1.

Thank you to our wonderful staff – Great Team Here for Perthville Families!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing staff and what they have achieved over the past few weeks.

Teachers have continued to teach a multi stage class, prepare work for those at home, mark all work from both places, call families and prepare the next week's lessons.

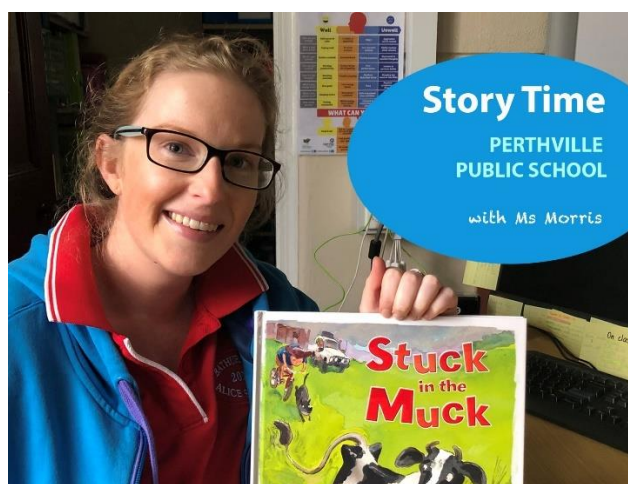
Mrs Webb and Mrs Rudge have fielded hundreds of call and emails, got all work packs out and in and recorded attendance data while continuing to run finance, assets, purchasing, book club and the many other tasks they do each day.

Miss Jayne and Miss Di have supported the teachers so well and washed every lego item, every Kinder toy, puppets, sand equipment, cubby house play items and made resources for all LFH packs!

Sue and Paul have scrubbed and cleaned and made sure our environment is safe and ready for our students.

Story Time at 2!

If you haven't already been watching our story time at 2! Please log into our Perthville PS Facebook and click on the Story Time at 2 links. Next term we will be adding some older content with a chapter book reading from Mrs Yordanoff.



Easter Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the following winners from the P&C Easter Raffle – Tamara Redmond, Mrs James, (Yah!), Judy Kent, Alex Milne, Maddi Hanrahan, Harper Lynch, Tess Lenehan. Please make sure you collect your prize by this Thursday.



Book Club Also needs to be collected by this

Thursday 9th April

Excursions

Please send in the deposit note, at this point there are no new dates set for these excursions but we will keep you up to date when we know. It is likely that both will be rescheduled. We still need to know how many are intending to participate.



Relaxation Apps

- Smiling Minds
- Headspace: Guided Meditation
- Stop, Breathe & Think



Wellbeing Websites

- www.eheadspace.org.au/
- <https://beyou.edu.au/>
- <https://au.reachout.com/>



Wellbeing Phone Centres

- Lifeline 13 11 14
- Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
- Mental Health Hotline
1800 011 511



Covid-19 Info

- <https://beyou.edu.au/>
- <https://headtohealth.gov.au/covid-19-support>
- <https://education.nsw.gov.au/news>





1 April 2020

ABC expands education schedule to support students at home during COVID-19 crisis

The ABC is launching an expanded schedule of free education content to support students, teachers and parents, with so many children forced to learn at home due to the coronavirus global pandemic.

To enhance its educational programming, ABC Education is working with state and territory education departments and other education providers to deliver additional curriculum-linked content to children of all ages.

ABC Managing Director David Anderson said the national broadcaster was ready to launch the extra resources, in line with its Charter requirement to broadcast programs of an educational nature. "With so many Australian children now studying at home or preparing to do so, the ABC is boosting its support for students, teachers and parents to help young Australians receive the education they need," he said.

"Our expanded schedule will complement the many hours of education content already available on the ABC across multiple platforms and we will build on that programming as required. Australians trust and rely on the ABC and this is another way we can contribute to and support the community."

From Tuesday 14 April – with students having started Term 2 or readying to do so, depending on their location – the ABC will extend its educational programming on [ABC ME](#) to support children and caregivers at home, from 10am to 3pm each weekday. The expanded schedule moves from blocks of primary school content in the mornings through to secondary school content in the afternoons, featuring programs such as *Ecomaths*, *ScienceXplosion*, *Numberblocks* and *English on the Go*.

The ABC will offer additional online support through its portal [ABC Education](#), with access to more than 4000 free videos, interactive resources and games mapped to the Australian curriculum – across subjects such as English, maths, science, history, geography, media Literacy, financial literacy and the arts and technologies, including STEM. Sign up to the [ABC Education weekly newsletter](#) for engaging online resources, competitions, news and events to help teachers and parents.

Working in partnership with the states and territories, ABC Education will also create original teacher-led mini-lessons, which will be broadcast on the ABC Education portal and ABC ME, to support students learning at home. The NSW and Victorian

education departments have provided initial financial assistance to help produce this content.

Behind The News is also ramping up its vital education offering to make sure parents and teachers have plenty of trusted, quality video content mapped to the Australian curriculum, including its daily and weekly programs *Newsbreak* and *BTN Classroom*.

BTN will expand its network of Rookie Reporters delivering news, views and opinions via mobile video, so that kids who are working remotely or in isolation will still have a voice in our news. Parents will also be able to access *BTN*'s teaching resources and lesson plans in the "Teachers" section of the [BTN website](#).

[ABC iview's](#) enhanced collection of carefully curated education content features informative and engaging programs across multiple subject areas, including *BTN*, *The Storybuilding Tool Kit*, *This Place*, *Citizen Code* and *Teenage Boss*.

Pre-schoolers are also in safe hands with trusted content on ABC Kids, ABC Kids listen and the [ABC Early Education website](#), which includes Reflective Journal blog posts for educators and shows and podcasts across the five curriculum areas of family, community and culture, sustainability and nature, creativity and self-expression, STEM and health and wellbeing.

Special collections of learning content and family activities are also available on the newly enhanced [ABC Kids app](#) and ABC Kids Community Facebook page, which engages and inspires ongoing conversations with families, carers and educators.

James Merlino, Victorian Minister for Education, said it was great to partner with the ABC to ensure kids keep learning. "Learning from home is going to be new and challenging for everyone involved; students, their families and carers and for our teachers – it's fantastic to partner with the ABC in expanding its educational programming."