

# MUDGEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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### PRINCIPAL COMMUNICATION / COMMUNITY UPDATE - DAY 1 REMOTE LEARNING

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done and thank you for all your support today. I am so proud of how our students, staff and community have handled Day 1 of Level 4 Remote Learning. The effort from our staff today was simply incredible. How they have managed to organise and facilitate a week's worth of home learning is nothing short of amazing.

We really appreciate you keeping your children at home unless you are an essential worker. This is vital in keeping our community safe. As a school we are operating on a very small skeleton staff each day and the majority of our staff are working from home. If your circumstances change in relation to your work/student attendance, please update the information on the Essential Workers Survey - <a href="CLICK HERE TO UPDATE ESSENTIAL WORKER SURVEY">CLICK HERE TO UPDATE ESSENTIAL WORKER SURVEY</a>

**Parent Zoom:** Today I enjoyed the company of approximately 50 parents for our Zoom question and answer session. The majority of the things discussed are in the email below. Thanks to all who attended. I will provide a video update later in the week, and then will reschedule another Zoom on (most likely) Friday - stay tuned!

### **Learning Resources**

All learning resources for this Week - (Week 6) are starting to be sent home digitally by Parent Liaison's, or from classroom teachers via email, google classroom or app. I have also made them available for you now by clicking on THIS LINK - WEEK 6 REMOTE LEARNING PACKS.

Within this link, you will be taken to four folders, one for each stage. Within each stage is the learning for each Stage, each day. Later in the week, this will hopefully be available on our school website. Keep an eye our for a new "Learning from Home 2021" tab, which is another place where the work will be stored so it can be accessed at any time.

# Remember a few things:

- Only do what you can do now is not the time to be creating extra stress in your household. Our focus as a school this week is Wellbeing. The wellbeing of our students, parents, community and staff are all where our attention needs to go. Don't let the stress of at home learning be the piece of the puzzle that makes this not be our focus.
- If you are required to write in a book, you can use paper you have at home, or a spare book you have. You do not need to go out and purchase a new book.
- If you have any questions, contact your classroom teacher. If that is proving difficult send us an email via the school email account <a href="Mudgee-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au">Mudgee-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a> Please use your child's name and class as the subject title.
- Please be mindful that staff need to have breaks too as they are working at home like the rest of us. They will have a certain time they are contactable throughout the day and then I am encouraging our teachers to switch off their emails and messaging services so they can focus on

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themselves and their families. Please work with us as we set up protocols and systems to support our at home learning and ensure we get the balance right of supporting students and families, as well as teachers being able to balance their personal lives. I am a big believer that if our staff are focusing on their wellbeing, they will have the best opportunity to bring the best version of themselves every day for your children. I am confident that every teacher in our school will make every effort to respond to your messages, etc.

## **Printed Learning Packages**

All the learning that is being sent home today and in the link above is also available in a printed version tomorrow Tuesday 17 August. Please refer to the timetable and locations for pick up. Here are the details which we ask you to follow

- Refer to the timetable to find your surname. This will be matched to a time and a location
- Locations are Perry Street, Douro Street and Denison Street
- All work will be on a table outside the fence and pick up will be completely contactless.
- You will need to park your car and go to the table to pick up your children/s work
- Only one person at the table at a time. Please line up and social distance whilst doing so
- When it is your turn at the table, please sanitise your hands, and then collect the learning pack appropriate for your children.
- Each location will have work for all stages
- A staff member will be on the other side of the fence for questions, but they are not allowed to have any contact with you or the learning packs.
- Once you have your child's work, please return to your car and do not congregate and chat with other parents.
- Note: All support Unit Student Work is to be collected from a table near the bus shed/support unit on Denison Street between 10 and 11am.
- If you are unable to attend this pick up tomorrow, please notify the front office and we will try and arrange another time on Wednesday, but please know that this is very difficult with the small amount of staff we are allowed to have onsite.

#### **Technology Loans**

Remember to email the school - <u>Mudgee-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> if you would like to borrow a device. We have both iPads and Laptops available, so please indicate your preference in the email along with your children's names and classes.

Thanks again for all the support from the community. I once again feel incredibly privileged to be a part of such a caring, considerate and collaborative school community. Look after yourselves

John Carters

**Principal** 



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# Learning Pack Resource Collections Tuesday 17 August

	Perry Street	Denison Street	Douro Street	Denison Street
	Front Gate Fence	Canteen Car Park Gate	Back Playground Fence	Support Unit / Bus Shed
10:00am To	SURNAMES	SURNAMES	SURNAMES	
10:30am	A, B and C	D, E and F	G, H, I and J	SUPPORT UNIT
10:30am To	SURNAMES	SURNAMES	SURNAMES	STUDENTS
11:00am	K, L and M	N, O, P and Q	R, S and T	
11:00am To	SURNAMES			
11:30am	U, V, W, X, Y and Z			