

The Learning Continues at Home

Room 3: Different Ways to Learn

Students in Room 3 continued their learning at home in many different ways. Some students even got creative with limited resources. One student used a number plate as a ruler while others created an obstacle course out of boxes for a backyard PE lesson!



Room 1: Being Resourceful

Room 3 were learning about informal units of measurement during home learning. Leann and her Mum got very creative by using Barbie shoes!

Caption: Some creative ways of learning during lock down

Thank you Families!

Room 4: Furry Study Buddies

Don't you just love home learning? Some students in Room 4 really enjoyed having their pets to cuddle whilst they were learning. Whether it was exploring living things around home or researching about their chosen country's water availability. Well done for sticking out the home learning room 4.

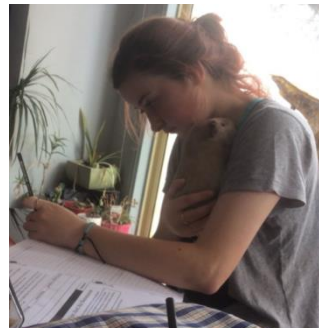
Room 7: Lock down art work and a furry student

Room 7 would like to thank all Wallaroo Primary staff, parents and caregivers for their support in our learning during lockdown. Mrs Thomson and all staff wanted students to feel supported in their learning, despite all that was going on. All students and parents/caregivers did a fantastic job by challenging themselves and becoming resourceful in activities. Great job everyone!

While at home, students from Room 7 experimented with line art. Blayze continued the class galaxy news on teams and even got to share it with the whole school community on Facebook. Students really enjoyed the Charlie and the Chocolate Factory reading comprehension task. While visiting school, Miss Heinrich also had an interesting four legged student accompany her.

Room 6: Lockdown Birthdays

Room 6 did some great learning and even had a special birthday to remember. Leki celebrated a rainbow themed birthday during lockdown.





Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Covid lockdown: thank you to our school community and staff for the way everyone has handled the SA 7 day lockdown. Its times like this that we see the true meaning of school our values exposed and demonstrated. Staff and families showed persistence with online technicalities, respect for the process and to conversations with all involved. Care was taken in the approach to at home learning/working from home and everyone should feel proud of the way they conversed, checked on each other's wellbeing, adapted to changes and responded to directives. I couldn't be prouder of the way we, as a community, have faced each issue/concern/query and disappointment. Although teachers, with the support of SSOs were able to send home learning packs last Tuesday, with enough work to last between 4-14 days, should another lockdown be required, we will be even more prepared. We now have an updated list of students with devices/internet at home and whom require support with this should the need again arise.

We aren't out of the woods yet, with the following expectations around schools being as follows:

- **We will be viewing outside visitors in the context of essential services only, for a least this week (wk 2)**

This means we will need to:

- Limit parent and caregiver access to the site. This includes where possible conducting parent meetings via the phone or video conferencing and **parents dropping and collecting their children at designated entry points.**
- Student Support Service personnel and other third party providers including NDIS providers who are conducting assessments or providing clinical support are considered to be providing an essential service.
- In school events such as whole school **assemblies will be postponed.**
- Events such as SAPSASA/inter-sport will be postponed.
- **Governing Council will be held via Zoom in week 3.**

Mask wearing

At this stage we have had direction that the wearing of masks is mandated in various capacities in school or preschool settings. However we have received supplies should this become required. We are encouraging social distancing (including mask wearing) in staff rooms and shared staff work spaces.

Mask wearing in School Buses: Please ensure that your bus drivers have face masks on hand for those students who wish to wear a mask and you should be encouraging your drivers to be wearing a mask.

Moving forward:

- During the 7 day lockdown, as a site we made the following observations:
 - Teachers really appreciated parents checking in each morning with DoJo for student attendance.
 - It was frustrating and time consuming for teachers when parents did not answer phones, nor check in that their child was 'learning from home'.
 - Teachers appreciated the parents that took photos of evidence of learning and shared these with the teacher via DoJo.
 - Teachers are using all work undertaken at home as a form of formative assessment.

Please keep up to date with SA Health press conferences and please keep an eye on DoJo and our school Facebook page for updates.

Dominica Thomson
Principal

QuickSmart News

Zariah, James and Shyann have joined the 100's club. Zariah and James both correctly named 104 in less than 60 seconds and Shyann got exactly 100. Congratulations Zariah, James & Shyann.

A special mention goes to Sarah who correctly answered all 130 cards. Great achievement Sarah.



What some Room 3 students thought about Term 3 Lockdown.....

- *Acacia said she is sad, because she misses her friends at school.....but she has enjoyed spending time with us and watching movies.*
- *"I didnt enjoy being in lock down as it's boring. I didn't enjoy home schooling as I wasn't allowed to play all day. Mum isn't a good teacher." Ebony did enjoy painting her room though.*
- *Blayde did not enjoy it at all.*
- *Rhys hasn't enjoyed being in lockdown because he hasn't been able to go out. He has however, enjoyed getting questions each day to answer for home learning.*
- *Archer said that lockdown is boring but doing school work at home has been a little bit of fun.*

Room 3 students were also sent a daily question to promote some thinking and conversation.

Would you rather be the size of an ant 🐜 or the size of a giant? Why?

- *I would rather be a giant because if I fall over it wouldn't hurt that much- Rhys O'Donohoe*
- *A small tiny ant because I would like to be one- Ebony Newton*
- *I would like to be a giant because I love giants- Chase Appleton*
- *I want to be a giant because I like being big- Archer Bateson*
- *I would be a giant so I could squash all the ants! – Paris Rowe*
- *I would want to be an ant so I could fit through doors- Levi Crossing*





The announcement of lockdown is presenting us all with challenges. Once again, it is impacting our ability to work, connect and have our students in school.

Whatever the challenges, Scholastic is determined to continue to provide Book Club through this time. We have had to modify the way we operate, but we will be working with you to provide families and students access to the very best quality of books for their home reading.

The current issue is online and will be available to parents to order.

We will be continuing to deliver orders to schools that are in the lockdown area.

Our goal is simply to help you give everyone the opportunity to access Book Club this term.

Please contact us if we can be of any assistance.

Stay Safe, The Book Club Team

Orders can be done online, or money and orders delivered to school by Monday 9th August.



2021 TERM 3 PLANNER - PARENTS

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRIDAY
2	Jul 26 th	Jul 27 th	Jul 28 th	Jul 29 th	Jul 30 th
3	Aug 2 nd	Aug 3 rd Gov Council – 7:00 pm Zoom meeting	Aug 4 th	Aug 5 th	Aug 6 th
4	Aug 9 th	Aug 10 th	Aug 11 th	Aug 12 th	Aug 13 th Splash Theatre 9:45 Assembly 2:15
5	Aug 16 th Science Week	Aug 17 th	Aug 18 th	Aug 19 th	Aug 20 th
6	Aug 23 rd Book Week	Aug 24 th	Aug 25 th	Aug 26 th	Aug 27 th
7	Aug 30 th	Aug 31 st	Sep 1 st	Sep 2 nd	Sep 3 rd Assembly 2:15
8	Sep 6 th	Sep 7 th Gov Council – 7:00 pm	Sep 8 th	Sep 9 th	Sep 10 th SCHOOL CLOSURE
9	Sep 13 th	Sep 14 th	Sep 15 th	Sep 16 th	Sep 17 th Music Concert R. Ed 1:30
10	Sep 20 th	Sep 21 st	Sep 22 nd	Sep 23 rd	Sep 24 th