



Crescent Connects

Steve's Spiel



Dear Parents and Carers,

NAIDOC Week

Next week our school will be celebrating NAIDOC week with students creating a sensory artwork for the school garden. The artwork has been designed by one of our senior students and organised by our Stage 6 High School class. The artwork will be created with students painting their own rock in each classroom and then these rocks being arranged in a joint artwork construction. Additional teaching and learning activities will also be organised by the Aboriginal Education Team for classes to engage in.



**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**
8-15 NOV 2020

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11 November 2020 all students will participate in the schools Remembrance Day assembly with a minute's silence and our school leaders laying a wreath to remember those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

School Excellence Journey

A big thank you to parents and carers who have provided feedback through recent surveys about parent and carer experiences at our school. The school executive team are currently completing the Situational Analysis and undertaking deep professional learning about the development of the Strategic Improvement Plan to improve student learning outcomes. A series of information flyers will be distributed over the coming weeks to provide you with snapshots of 'where are we now?', 'where we are going?' and 'how we will get there?' to keep you informed about our 2021-2024 School Excellence journey.

Staff Development Days 2021

Recently, the department announced changes to the staff development days for 2021. These changes now include two staff development days at the beginning of the school year. To assist you with organisation and planning for 2021 students will return to school on Friday, 29th January 2021.

Warm regards

Steve

Spooktacular Halloween Celebrations





















Learning Point



News from Teal Classroom

In English this term, Teal Class have been developing our persuasive writing skills. Our letter to Steve convinced him to let us have our dress-up day in Week 3! We have also been working hard in InitialLit, practicing our phonemes and digraphs to help with our spelling. In Science, we are learning about the relationship between the Earth, Sun and Moon and in Geography, we have been investigating some of Australia's natural features. We often play Maths games to help us practice our number sense.

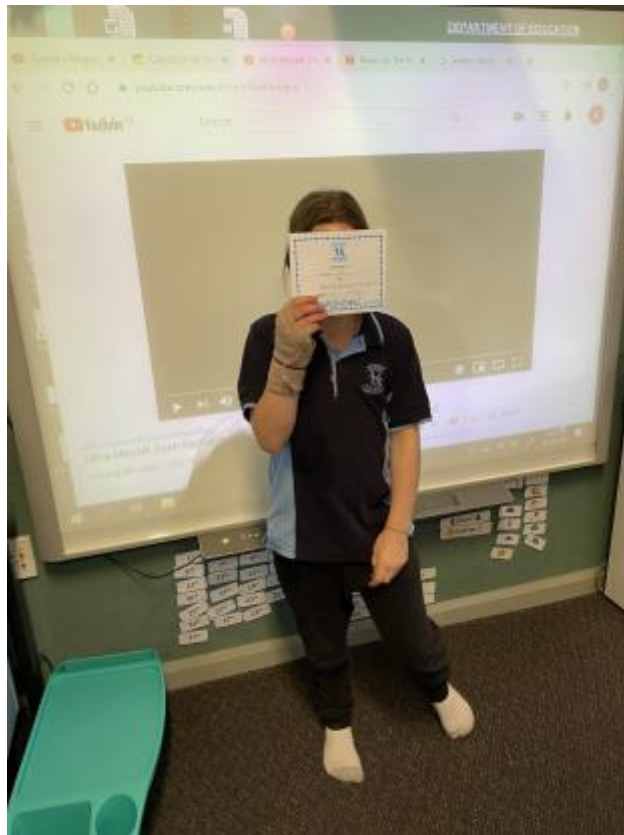
When we played running games in sport last week, sadly, Emily suffered an injury.

We wish her a speedy recovery and want her to know we miss her in Teal Class!













Happy Birthday to students and staff celebrating their birthday during October and November.



October

Ethan L Archie R Corey S James W

Cayden C Scott R Billy M Kelly S

Jenny R Jacqui A

November

Tess T Lachlan T Angus O Skip C

Kiera C Cooper W Kaleb D Lizzy C

Riley B Zach G Emily D Ebony W

Bradley S Lachlan W Jannette N Chevvy F

Come Gather at our Table ~ Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program











This week the Red, Aqua, Brown and Blue classes have designed packages for fried rice. The packages had to have certain elements on them including a picture, a label telling people what is in the package, ingredients, how it was to be heated, use by dates and a bar code. The results were terrific with everyone being very pleased with their designs.

























The groups will be making fried rice on Thursday and Friday to put in the packages. I hope that the packages make it home for you to see.

Each package has a spork to use.

When looking at the types of packages everyone thought that the package should be recyclable and able to be heated in the microwave.

Everyone was very proud of their efforts.







Due to the week of inclement weather this week, the primary classes will have an additional cooking session.

Purple class made apple tarts on Tuesday. The smell of cooking apples wafted through the school. The class had to peel and chop the apple, cook it and put into the tart cases. We added a dollop of cream on top and a sprinkle of cinnamon sugar.





The kitchen was very quiet as most people ate their tarts. Kaleb enjoyed the cooked apple in a tart but did not like raw apple. Riley loved the apple but not the tart shell. Everyone had a taste which was fantastic.

Orange class had a cutting session using the Kiddy Cutters to chop the apple. Kiddy Cutters are knife shaped items that allow students learning to cut to do so with safety. The class also had to put their boards on the sink.

We ate a lot of apple as we chopped our way through 8 apples!

Yellow, Lime and Teal classes will be making Cheese and Pickle Pin wheels. The recipe is located in this edition.

Lime class worked to finish their mosaics before cooking their pinwheels.

As you can see their mosaic coasters are looking terrific. We just have to apply the grout and polish them up. We have been working on these due to the inclement weather.









Cheese and Pickle Pinwheels



Cheese and Pickle Pinwheels.

Ingredients:

100gm strong tasty cheddar cheese

50gm grated cheddar cheese or other that you may have.

2 heaped tablespoons pickle (I used 1 tablespoon of mustard sandwich pickle and 1 table spoon of fruit chutney)

1 teaspoon of English mustard powder—if not using mustard pickles.

3 Sheets of puff pastry

1 beaten egg

Method:

1. Heat the oven 200oC
2. Mix the cheese together and add the pickles.
3. Spread the pastry sheets with the cheese and pickle mix
4. Tightly roll into a sausage along the long side.
5. Cut into 10 rounds and place on a lined baking sheet
6. Brush with the egg mix
7. Bake for 15-20 minutes
8. Leave to cool a little before eating if you can !

School Terms



Term 4 2020

Staff Development Days for Term 4 occur at the end of the term.

Wednesday 16th December 2020 ~ last day for Students

Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December 2020 ~ Staff Development Days

Term 1 2021

Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th January 2021 ~ Staff Development Day

Friday 29th January 2021 ~ Students return to School

Community News



Unsure if your child is well enough for school?

Comprehensive information on whether your child is [Too Sick for School](#) can be found on the Department of Education website.

NSW Schools Updates app

The [NSW School Updates app](#) allows parents and carers to receive operational status updates for NSW public schools.

The app will complement the other means of communication available to parents and carers from schools and the Department of Education to ensure families receive timely, accurate information in a crisis.

The app is free and available now for [iOS](#) and [Android](#) users.

COVID -19 - NSW Health

For current information and recommendations on COVID-19 please visit the [NSW Health COVID-19](#) website.

Advice for Families - Term 3

The NSW Department of Education has provided a [Guide to NSW school students returning to school in term 3](#). This was sent home to families recently as a hard copy. This web page contains current important information regarding COVID-19. In particular a link to [COVID-19 Clinics](#) and [Latest Case Locations in NSW](#).

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