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- 1. New Student Enrolment Forms (2022) It would be appreciated if these are handed in this week to assist with planning for 2022. We have only 8 in at present and are expecting 4 or more which is pleasing. No school tours can be made at the moment, hopefully these will return and can be completed upon request depending on COVID-19 restrictions please continue to promote our school as much as possible because we have a large cohort of Grade 6 students leaving the school at the end of the year.
- 2. Remote & Flexible Learning Lockdown 6 Learning materials were available last Friday morning at 8am and again last night at 5pm for 4 days concluding on Thursday 12th August (these included another black book, hard copy sheets and a glue stick). Remote & Flexible Learning continues today and the school community will be informed of further updates ASAP.
- 3. Grade 3-6 Camp Forms to be returned have been extended to this Friday 13th August when we hope to return to onsite learning. Billabong Ranch will then be contacted in regard to numbers, but we are still planning to go ahead with this camp although it will be subject to COVID-19 restrictions.
- 4. <u>Production</u> As stated previously, we will not have an audience for this event. We will be aiming to complete and record this production during school hours and then put it together as a movie for the school community. Because of the current lockdown, we hope to have this completed by Friday 3rd September prior to the Grade 3-6 Camp. The recording should be available to families early in Term 4 please be patient as it will take some time editing this.
- 5. Get Active To help support your children to stay active while learning from home, families can access a range of free COVIDSafe ideas to stay active and games through Get Active Victoria.
- 6. Mental Health & Wellbeing Resources It can be challenging to process and manage changes to routines and the uncertainty that comes with COVID-19 and related restrictions including moving to remote learning. A Quick Guide to Student Mental Health and Wellbeing resources is available for students, parents and carers looking to access expert guidance and resources to support wellbeing.
- 7. Calming COVID Chaos Workshop for Parents The mental health and wellbeing of our children and families is paramount. As a support to families our Goulburn Students Support Services team are facilitating another online workshop titled 'Calming COVID Chaos'. This session was provided a couple of weeks ago and parents found it very valuable. Sessions will be held on Thursday 12th August at 7.00pm (75 minutes session). This workshop is designed to help you to support the mental wellbeing of your children and yourself in these times of uncertainty. See Skool Loop for more details.
- 8. Parent Opinion Survey These were distributed to families in a hard copy form and also via Skool Loop before our current lockdown. It would be appreciated if 1 person from each family completed this survey this can be done anytime up to Friday September 3rd.
- 9. Attendance R & F Learning All students will be recorded as being present during remote learning unless advised otherwise. If students are not completing work given or participating in Webex sessions please do a Skool Loop absence for any of these days as per normal. If there is no evidence that a student has participated in Webex sessions or completed the supplied work, they will be remarked as absent once normal schooling resumes. Your assistance with this would be appreciated. If normal schooling resumes on Friday can black books with any set work be returned to school please so that these can be stored for the future if needed.
- 10. On Site Supervision / Borrowing Netbooks Please adhere to any deadlines regarding On Site Supervision Forms these closed last Friday at 5pm for this week up until Thursday. Families will receive a text message when these forms have been received. If families still need to borrow a netbook, contact me via text message please (see above) so that this can be organised keep in mind that I may not be at school on certain days during Remote & Flexible learning.
- 11. Father's Day Breakfast This is scheduled to be held on Monday 30th August information went in the newsletter last week. If there is no interest for this event this will be cancelled. This is understandable considering the uncertainty with COVID-19.
- 12. Chaplain Support Over the next few days Tim Ford, our Chaplain, may give you a call to introduce himself. Feel free to contact him via text or phone on 0429 348 500. He will be popping in on class meetings when he is able. You can also meet with Tim on Webex, simply send a text or join a meeting with his Webex number 789 080 499.
- 13. Chaplain / Consent Forms Tim Ford will be at our school on Monday only this week. A reminder to families to get consent forms in ASAP, so that students can interact with Tim in small groups or individually. These were sent home with report envelopes before the end of Term 2 and again last week.
- 14. Assembly At present, this will be held via Webex on Friday at 3pm unless restrictions change.
- 15. Student Led Conference Day This is scheduled for Friday 10th September. Families and students will be required to come into the school on this day only for the duration of their interview (depending on COVID restrictions). As a result, there will be no normal school and OSH Care on this day so families will need to make alternative arrangements. Bookings will be available soon stay tuned.
- 16. Head Lice A case of headlice has been reported to the school. Could all families please check their children to make that they do not have any lice. If you see any live eggs or lice, please treat your child appropriately before sending them back to school. Please contact the school if you have any queries.
- 17. Consent If families misplace consent or permission forms, this can be granted by sending a message on Skool Loop. Simply click on Contacts (bottom right corner) and then click on Send Email. This will go directly to the schools email please indicate specific details of what you are giving consent for (ie: name of children involved, name of the excursion, date, costs....etc).
- 18. Absence Notes A reminder to families to do an online absence via Skool Loop whenever required this is the preferred method of notification. We have missed some of these of late schools need to keep an accurate account of these as directed by DET. Please remember to have the correct date for any absence notification that is sent also please.
- 19. Parents' Club Meeting The next meeting will be held on Wed 18th Aug at 7.30pm all are welcome as always. This meeting will be held via Webex again and we encourage more family members to attend (Meeting ID: 576 739 057)
- 20. Specialist Programs This week we will have Music and Library on Wednesday some online tasks will go on Class Dojo. There will be no rotation day on Thursday obviously, because of Remote & Flexible learning.
- 21. Sharing of Food The updated guidelines state that sharing of food is not permitted (ie: birthday cake), however pre-packaged food which doesn't require anyone to touch this food is ok (ie: lollipop). Please contact the Principal in regard to this, so that families can be informed (via Skool Loop / Dojo) and then make an informed decision in regard to participation.

David Brodie (Principal)

Our general school rule is to "consider the feelings of others at all times".

School Website (COVID-19 / Remote Learning): https://www.tally-ps-3067.vic.edu.au/page/238/COVID-19

The Department's latest advice on coronavirus can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus