

doxaschoolbendigo

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A WORD FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

The end of term has snuck up on us pretty quickly and everyone would agree that they are looking forward to the break. The lockdown mid-term disrupted what was developing into a settled term 2 as students gradually got into a normal school routine. I hope all members of our community have a restful break. Winter is a great time to stay home in the warmth and have lay in.

Thanks to all our families for their wonderful support again throughout the term. It was a bonus that the remote learning orders only lasted a week, so as a minimal amount of disruption occurred.

It was great to see our students and their families able to return to onsite ILP meetings this term. Thank you for your valued input and discussions regarding your child's goals for the remainder of the year.

On Monday, Liv from Wild Action Zoo came in and brought in some beautiful Australian native animals. A great opportunity for our students to get up close to some of our native fauna and learn more about the different species.

During term 3, Colleen will be taking some well-earned leave. Julie and Gabby will be helping us out during this time. Please continue to notify the office of absences by phone call or text.

All students will be dismissed at midday this coming Friday, 25th and return to school on Monday 12th July for the start of term 3.

Stay safe and warm during the holiday period, for those traveling, have a safe trip and take care. I look forward to seeing everyone when school resumes for term 3.

John

Important Dates to remember

Friday 25th June - Last day of term 2 , students dismissed at 12pm

Monday 12th June - First day of term 3



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE TRAPS

BRAD & AMINDA'S CLASS

Well it's the end of term 2 and in our class we have been working diligently to complete our work for our sustainability unit. We have learnt about the different parts of plants and flowers, as well as refreshing our knowledge on the process of photosynthesis.

Well, what is sustainability, you ask? Well, it is *"ensuring that the planet and all of its resources can continue to provide a home for the humans, animals and plants that live there."* Our class has been fortunate to visit many different parks, gardens and farms to experience all that nature has to offer. We have built our own class wicking bed and have planted some seasonal vegetables that will hopefully be able to enjoy in a few months' time.

In class, we have been learning about fractions, decimals and consolidating our abilities in solving multiplication, division, addition and subtraction problems. We have also been writing letters, written and persuasive texts.

To finish up the term we went to Jumpz for a jump around as well as getting together for a class lunch!

Although we have had many positive experiences this term, our class is definitely looking forward to a break!

On behalf of Doxa School, have a great term break!
Aminda, Claire and Amy



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE TRAPS cont.

RUTH'S CLASS

Hi all, and welcome to our final newsletter for term 2.

It has been a challenging term for all as we went back in to a lockdown for a few days. As frustrating as this is it was wonderful to see some regular faces at school as students continued to give their best towards their education.



It is important that when we have to lockdown that you continue to notify the school of your student's intentions for their learning during these challenging times.

Work is provided for your students and a little bit each day will give them a good routine and foundation for returning to the classroom.

It has been lovely to speak to so many students, parents and carers during our recent ILP meetings with so many ticking off and creating new goals for themselves.

Reports should now be home and we hope you are happy with these. If you have questions around your students report please feel free to give us a call on the classroom phone.

Most students improved on their outcomes and should be happy with their results. With a little more push these will improve again in second semester so give it all you have.

A reminder that camp preferences need to be in by the end of the term so that staff and students can be allocated to groups and the planning is done. These will be in week 8 and 9 of term 3. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

Some of our students had the opportunity to complete their White card training this term with terrific outcomes. Well done to the boys who completed this.

During our class sessions we have begun our Sustainability unit with students learning about plants, and how we can use these in our homes and the community. We have planted a Wicker Bed for the classroom which has Spinach, Lettuce and Asian greens and we look forward to watching these grow in the coming weeks.

Students have also planted individual pots of seeds including Broad Beans, Beetroot, Mint, Onions and Micro Herbs. These will be studied over the next few weeks and will eventually be able to go home to share with their family if they wish.

We look forward to working with your students again in term 3.

Have a wonderful, safe and restful break and we look forward to seeing all our students in Term 3.

Thank you all for a great term, Ruth, Tony & Amy

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KY'S CLASS

Woah! What a term....

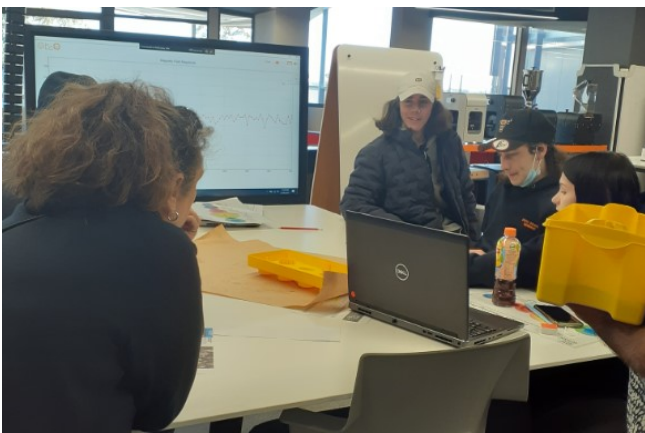
We just want to start by saying thank you to all families who have supported our students during such a disjointed term with the COVID lockdown. Thank you also to the students who have been so understanding and flexible during this time.

This term we have been focusing on our True Crime unit and everyone has been working on their projects about their chosen serial killer. As part of this, we were lucky enough to attend Bendigo Tech at La Trobe University and participate in a session about solving crime. The students were given a local cold case to investigate and determine what current sensor technology could be used to try and solve the case. All students worked really well and came up with some innovative ideas.

Next term we will continue with the sustainability unit and will be selling some seedlings. This will be part of an enterprise unit the students will be working on.

Enjoy your holidays everyone and see you next term.

Jac, Ky and Lillie



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE TRAPS cont.

LOU'S CLASS

It has been a fantastic term as we've spent some great time getting to know our students and their families. We have been working on transitioning students into Doxa School and also to other education and training providers around Bendigo.

We have been lucky to spend time at Bendigo Tech School, exploring design and creation principles, we have also explored Peppergreen farm and spent time in Bendigo's lovely Library spaces.

A special mention to Rocklea Cafe` for hosting us on the cold winter days recently. We are looking forward to term three, when all the really exciting things happen.

Staff safe and well over the break.

Carla and Lou

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