

# doxaschoolbendigo

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## Doxa News

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### A word from our Principal

We are four weeks into term 3, and already we have negotiated another Lockdown. This has been a stark reminder that we are not out of the woods with the Coronavirus yet and it is possible we will face further disruption as the year progresses. Can I encourage all our families to continue to use COVID safe practices and if your child is unwell please don't send them to school.

Doxa School is continuing to maintain a regime of sanitising rooms and vehicles, monitoring temperatures and limiting outside visitors to essential visitors only. You may have noticed that Colleen isn't answering the phone at the moment as she has taken some well-deserved leave. Emma is still around and Gabby and Julie are filling in a couple of days a week each to cover Colleen's absence. If you have any issues or queries please don't hesitate to call the school and someone will be able to help you.

ILP meetings for term 3 begin next week and if you haven't been contacted to make a time to meet with your child's teacher and wellbeing support worker you will be soon. The ILP meeting process is one that is generally positive and celebrates students' achievements but is important to clarify the supports that need to put in place to help our students achieve their whole person goals. The meetings are a great opportunity for parents and carers to have input into the learning journey of their child.

We are planning our Camps program at the moment with overnight camps planned for Roses Gap in the Grampians and another in Warrnambool. There will also be a day trip on offer for students who are unable to attend an overnight experience. I would like to encourage as many students as possible to take advantage of these opportunities to enhance their learning in different environments and situations. These camps are planned for week 8 and 9 of this term and they will come around quickly.

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### A word from our Principal continued...

I know the current situation at Bendigo TAFE has caused disruption to our VET program with these programs being held on-line at the moment. Hopefully this won't continue for much longer and our VET students can attend on-site and get into some practical learning.

Make sure you keep aware of school news by checking our Facebook page, it is also a good way to stay informed about any changes that might happen as a result of disruptions like Lockdowns. We will continue to maintain contact with families in a variety of ways to ensure all members of the school community are kept up to date.

Please see our list below for important dates and changes to our timetable. Give the office a call if you have any questions.

Stay well and God Bless,

John



### Important Dates for Term 3

Monday 9th Pupil Free Day  
Tuesday 17 & Thursday 19 August  
Half days finish at midday  
Week 8 & 9 - Camp weeks  
details to follow



### Getting in touch

**Ways to contact the school**

Phone - 54428140 or 0417 108 870

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<https://www.facebook.com/DoxaSchoolBendigo/>

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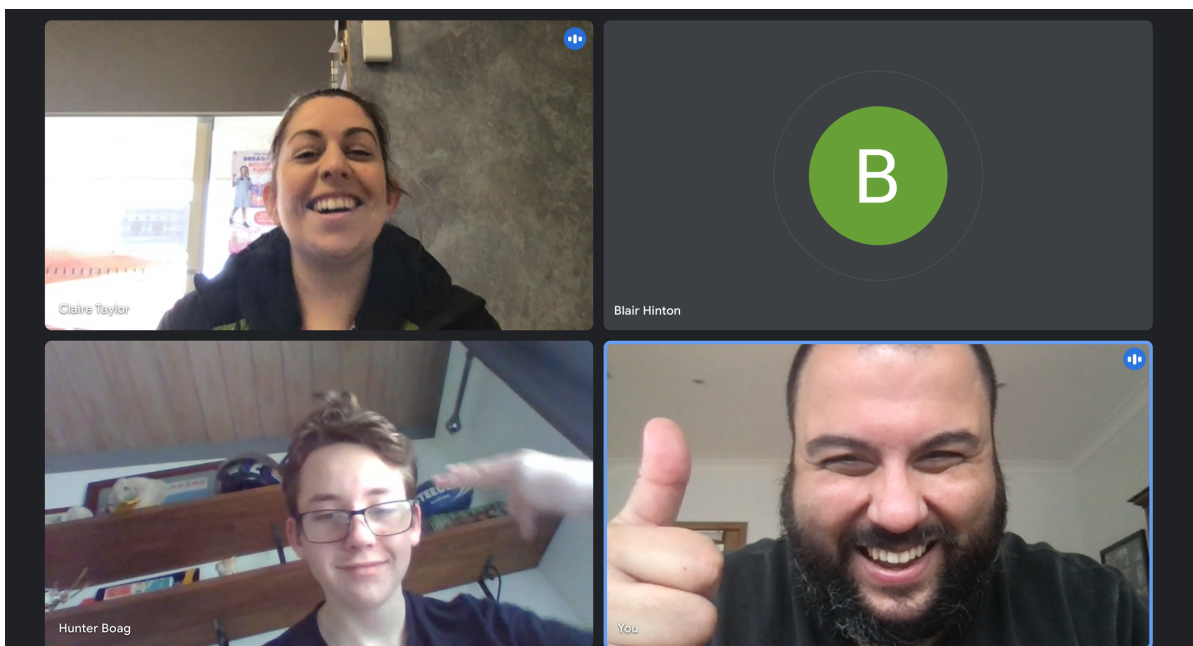


## Aminda's Class

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### This term in Aminda & Claire's Room

Welcome back to a new term! It has been great to see our students around the school community bright and bushy tailed! With the current changes in restrictions, in the past few weeks our class have had to adapt to flexible learning. It has been great to see so many of our students in class engaging with Claire and Aminda, ensuring that they are keeping busy, getting some work done, looking after ourselves and making sure that they have a little fun on the way! However, we cannot wait to get back into the classroom to engage in some new and exciting activities. We wish all the members of our school community a safe return to Doxa.





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## Ruth's Class

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### Hear from Amy, Tony & Ruth

This term has been challenging as we have work through another lockdown. We have had contact with all our students during this time to maintain regular contact and to discuss the return to school.

We have been finalising our sustainability unit and the seedlings the students have planted are doing well and they will be bringing them home soon.

These can be planted in the garden or you can start your own vegetable plot and add to it.

Tony has been working with all our students both on site and remotely through regular wellbeing check-ins and SELs sessions.

Amy will be working with each student on a rotating fortnight to establish what they would like to improve on with their education. This can be based on their literacy or numeracy needs.

Work will be done around our preparation for camps in the following weeks and ILP's are coming up in week 5 so book your appointments in.

We look forward to welcoming our students back in the classroom as lockdown ends and we continue to provide opportunities both in the classroom and in the community on electives and participation programs when able to.





## Ky's Class

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### Term 3 in Jacinta & Ky's Room

Welcome back to Term 3 and remote learning. Firstly, Ky and I would like to thank everyone for being so flexible and supportive during remote learning.

Unfortunately, we didn't get much time together for activities prior to the lockdown, but we did manage to start on our sustainability unit. Thanks to Blake and Riley, we made up a wicking bed and planted some beetroot seedlings for our classroom. The rest of the class have their own wicking pots full of various seedlings. We are currently taking care of them while most of you are away and they are doing really well. Hopefully we start seeing some bud and flower soon.

We will be looking forward to seeing everyone at the ILPs this term so please look out for messages about when they are. See you all then!

Jac and Ky







## Scott's Class

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### An update from Scott, Nick, Mick & Lillie

It has been a lovely couple of weeks catching up with students in class, home visits (Covid safe) and by phone and text. Students have demonstrated a wonderful commitment to stay engaged and work remotely, with small numbers attending classes during the week.

Lot's of planning for the lockdown end with small groups undertaking maths work in the community and reporting back to Scott - we are starting with mapping and distance and moving to other maths tasks. We are all looking forward to some hands on work, plus the opportunity to celebrate being together again.

The class has developed a lovely sense of itself and once lockdown is over we are looking forward to building stronger relationships, sharing a greater range of activities and of using the strong student engagement to involve students more and more in the planning of events, trips and class activities.

We remain a fun filled, action packed and ever hopeful group

Together  
We Can!

