

Dear Parents,

It is with regret, as you would be aware, we are now heading into our second go at Remote Learning. This time it is a little different as unlike last term and unlike the rest of the community, our staff, do not have the option of working from home. As all staff are on site they will be able to have a more consistent approach to the delivery of high quality learning for our students and will be able to increase their level of communication.

As with all things, we are always trying to improve our practice to ensure that we can maximise learning for our students. Last term we surveyed parents, students and teachers about Remote Learning. From the feedback we have made changes to our Remote Learning processes so that it better meets the learning needs of our students. Please see the notes below and also attached documents. As always if you have any concerns regarding any aspect of our school's current operations, please forward an email to the school with your concern and I will get back to you.

## 1. REMOTE LEARNING

- Our aim this time is to simplify our program while still maintaining real learning opportunities. We are also trying to reduce the stress for everyone involved, students, teachers, parents and Administration and to maintain the fun in learning.
- Each class will receive a 1 hour face to face remote teaching session with their teacher each day
  - 9.00am-10.00am for Grades 3-6
  - 10.30am-11.30am Grades Prep -2
  - It will focus on Reading, Writing , Maths or Inquiry
  - It will be the same time every day with the same login link
- Each Friday we will, direct email, post on website and Sentral each grades' work plan for the week. This means that next week's program will be sent home this Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.
  - The link to the daily remote teaching session will be included in their Work Plan.
- Students will be able to upload work, ask their teacher questions and receive learning tasks via a digital platform
  - Grades 3-6 will be using the digital platform – Microsoft teams- as per last term
  - Students in grades Prep-2 will be using Seesaw.
  - **We will be providing instructions regarding accessing both of these programs via email and also via Sentral and on our website**

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- Parents will be able to communicate directly with their child's teacher via Sentral messaging
- Parents are encouraged to contact the school if they are having any difficulty with the Remote Learning program via email to ensure that their concern is addressed.

## 2. CARE & SUPERVISION PROGRAM

- Our Care & Supervision program will again be operating as per last term.
- It will be facilitated by a combination of Classroom Support staff and Teachers.
- The registration process is via a registration form which is sent out each Wednesday and returned on Thursday. Places are not secured until you have received a confirmation email which will be sent back to you by Friday.
- Registration forms for the Care and Supervision program for next week will be sent home tomorrow (Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July)

## 3. IT DEVICES

- Last term we provided IT devices – iPads- to families who were in extreme need and had no access to a device. We are again providing this service
- Please refer to the attached information regarding borrowing IT devices.
- Please note that application does not guarantee a device as we have a limited number available.

## 4. RESOURCES

- Last term we provided some school supplies such as pens, pencils and exercise books to families in need who did not have access to these things.
- We are again providing this service.
- Please refer to the attached information regarding request for resources (exercise books, pens/pencils)

If you have any questions please contact me on 8766 4000 or at [barton.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:barton.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Thank you

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