



**BLANCHETOWN  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# Blanchetown Primary School Newsletter

May 20th 2020 Term 2 Week 4

## Important Dates

### Tuesdays

Brekky Club

**Student Free Day  
cancelled**

### Governing Council meeting

Thursday 28/05/2020 at  
3.30pm



## Principal's Report

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Welcome to week 4.

Last Friday our students had the most interesting and weird hair styles. The **gold coin donations** came to \$34.50. This will be used for the veggie patch and food for Custard and Pepper who are still laying eggs.

Most students **walked to school** on Friday as well. Some were dropped off close to the school so the children could still participate. Well done everyone.

The arrangement for students being dropped off and picked up from school has worked well. Restrictions are still in place with adults not being allowed on site. Those that do come in eg plumbers etc have paperwork to complete and guidelines to follow. **'Pick Up and Drop Off'** signs are on the fence so everyone is aware of the arrangement.

The area from Egerton Rd (near the RSL) and along Meade St has a **speed limit of 25km**. It is important for all vehicles to observe the speed zone and be particularly vigilant of students crossing the road. We ask that parents/carers park on the school side of the road to minimise students having to cross the road to get to their car. Physical distancing should be maintained, and many thanks for your help in supporting the safety of our students.

Since we have all become more proficient with our IT skills and with the theme for this term's learning is Sustainability we are trialling **emailing our newsletters** to each family. If there are forms to be completed, signed and returned to school, we will print those and send them home. Hopefully emailing most of our communications will avoid soggy bits of paper at the bottom of school bags.

Originally the Governing Council had approved a **Student Free Day** for Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Due to training personnel not being able to travel and deliver face-to-face professional learning this day has been cancelled, and a date later in the year will be nominated. Sorry about any confusion.

Mrs Salter will be back next week and a **Governing Council meeting** is due for that week. Can councillors please let the school know if they are available for a meeting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 3.30pm?

Have a good week. Cheers Sue Billett

### **Our Vision**

*At Blanchetown Primary School, we want all learners to be part of a caring, inclusive, success-orientated, quality-learning environment, which empowers everyone to continue lifelong learning with confidence.*

**PCW NEWS**

Q: What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?

A Bookworms!

Q. How do you make a tissue dance?

A. Put a little boogey in it!

Q. Why did the student eat his homework?

A. Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake!

In these times when health is at the top of everyone's agenda, I have been doing a bit of research of my own and I have discovered something else that dramatically impacts on our health. If you could get hold of something that:

- Decreases pain by producing endorphins
- Decreases stress
- Decreases anxiety
- Lowers blood pressure
- Increases energy
- Calms you down, makes you happy..... and....SLOWS DOWN AGING!!!!

You would all want to know about it right? It's KINDNESS!! There is lots of scientific research on the benefits of kindness and giving. We all knew it was good, but it is really really good! And the benefits are doubled because they are experienced by the giver and the recipient.

With all of this in mind I want to make kindness the theme for the term in small groups and activities. Shifting the focus from yourself to others and what you can give rather than get. Random acts of kindness. Good stuff for kids to think about.

It's incredibly contagious too. I hope we start an epidemic. **KIND-20**

As a kick start to the kindness, our school leaders Montanna and Madeline would like to host a pancake morning at our next Breakfast Club on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. When I asked the girls to be my helpers, they were very keen to do something special to get everyone's day off to a great start and nothing says 'happiness' like a fluffy pancake.

Please come to the Library anytime from 8:30am for a pancake served with a smile. Of course with joy, sometimes comes chaos and so we are making an extra effort to organise the room for a seated dining experience and keep it all calm and flowing and avoid congestion.

**Breakfast Club Special Event**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020, 8:30 – 8:50am

Blueberry  
Pancakes  
Served

(plain also available)

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**Mid – Semester  
Celebration**

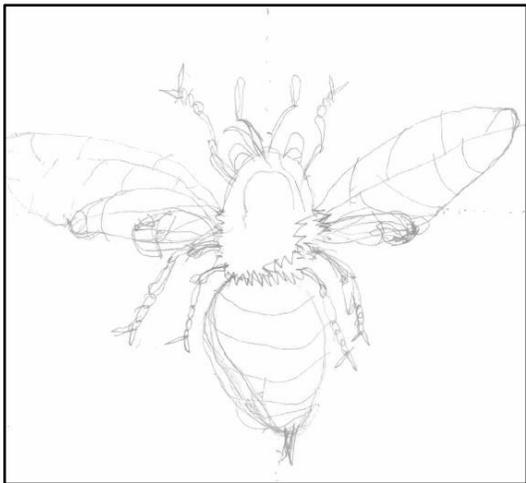


### Sizzling Start by Reg

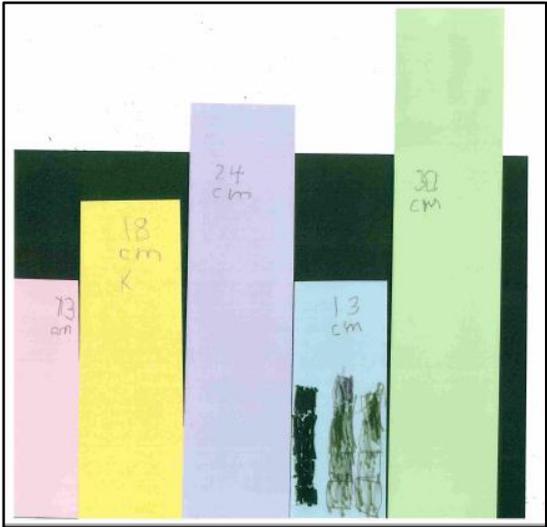


515 - 2 at 2:55  
 clash the croc had stopped  
 its jaws on the hippos and  
 the hippo shook the croc  
 off the croc returned to  
 the hippo snarling its jaws  
 on the croc's head and  
 that was the end of it

**Resident artist – Montana**  
Charcoal sketching in UP class



**Diagram of a Bee by Nixon.**  
In science we have been looking at lifecycles.



**Measurement City by Kaiden.**  
We were practising working with centimetres.