

As we discovered last year - Learning from Home is 'different strokes for different folks'. What works for some does not work for others - what is important is that it works for YOU and your student. For parents it is particularly important to look after your mental health wellbeing and not put too much stress on yourself.

This is especially true with our current short, sharp lockdown, with many families just taking the time to enjoy some quality time together doing what they love most.

From cooking, watching movies or playing outside, check out Page 4 to see what some students have been up to....

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

Tuesday 8th

- School Council Meeting, 5:30pm at WDSS

Monday 14th

- Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 18th

- Live 4 Life Launch at WDSS - *Start the Talk to End the Stigma* 11:30am to 1:30pm



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Dear Students, Parents & Carers,

We would like to thank everyone involved in working together to enable remote and flexible learning for our children. This lockdown was unexpected but we have done this before and have been able to draw on our past experience and knowledge to enable this to happen smoothly. We appreciate how flexible everyone has been to keep their child's education happening during this time.

We appreciate that for some families flexible and remote learning combined with social isolation can be difficult. Our staff will work with you to try to reduce the difficult times.

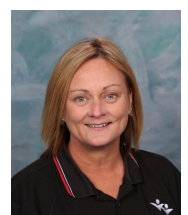
At this point we do not know what will happen beyond Thursday and are hoping to see all of our students back here on Friday. Should things not go to plan, rest assured we do have protocols and procedures in place to support families in enabling remote and flexible learning to continue.

This is the link <http://www.wglds.vic.edu.au/learning/zones-of-regulation/> to our Zones of Regulation resources on our school website. Talk to your classroom teacher about how you could use these within your home. Using our school values of Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner are also good to talk about with your student whilst at home.

Please send through any pics and share the celebrations and successes that are happening in your home, we would love to see some in our newsletter next week. If you have any concerns please contact the school office to speak with Matt, Alesha or another member of the leadership team.

Enjoy the time together, we hope to see you back here on Friday!

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Juniors

Room 2

Room 2 are a very happy bunch! Whether its classroom work, therapy or community access, they give everything a 'red hot go' and their ENORMOUS smiles make everyone so happy!.





Learning at Home

Here is a look at what some of our students have been doing at home this week.....



Sky and Jayden enjoy cooking at home and school - they worked with their family to make and decorate a cake - YUM!



Savanna out getting some exercise on a lovely sunny day.



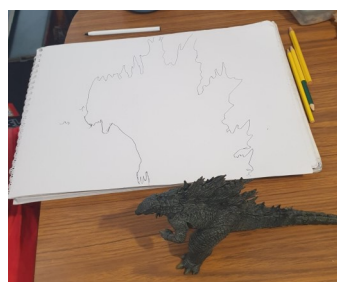
Harrison waiting for his dad to do some fence maintenance. Harrison rides on the back of the bike and absolutely loves it!



Tyler listening to stories online with his brother.



Coby LOVES art so he has been doing some awesome shadow drawings!





STUDENT Awards

We are Safe, Respectful Learners!



SEB

Being a **LEARNER** – working hard on his sounds



ALEX

Being **SAFE** and staying with the group during community access.



TYRA

Being a **LEARNER** - working out "Te Cinema Scam" maths and comparing online tickets and in person prices.



JACK

Being a **SAFE LEARNER** - being safe going out for walks and navigating traffic.



STUDENT LED AWARD - MIKKI

Being a **LEARNER** and joining in groups activities. Nominated by Liam.



STUDENT LED AWARD - PAT

Being a **LEARNER** and joining in groups activities. Nominated by Liam.



BELLA

Being a **LEARNER** - getting straight into her remote learning with a positive can do attitude.



MAX

Being a **LEARNER** and working out the counting by 10s pattern on his own and careful reading and checking the ends of words to see what the suffix is (-ed, -ing, or -s).



We are getting an increasing number of outside agencies calling to speak to teaching and therapy staff about students they see out of school.

Please advise the school if you have asked anyone to contact WDSS as we need Parent / Carer permission to speak with external agencies about your student.

