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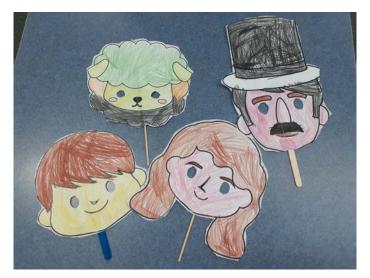
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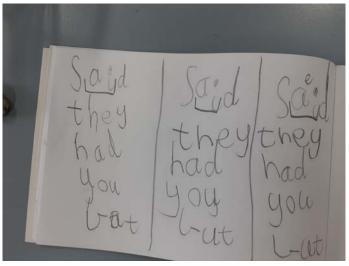
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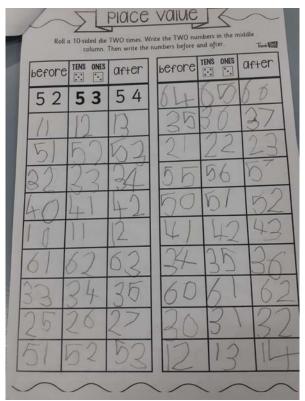
Teachers in the Junior Section have been eagerly reviewing the learning, returned last week. Mrs. Bathman proudly shared some of the examples of work where students were, "Striving for Excellence." I am sure students will recognise their work.

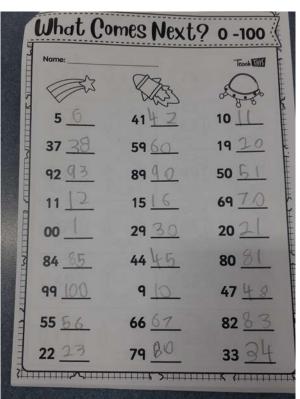


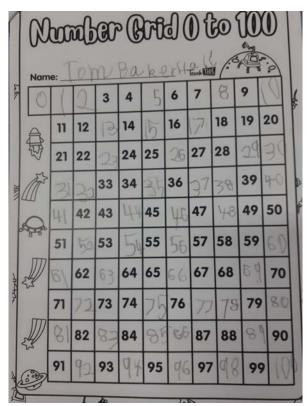


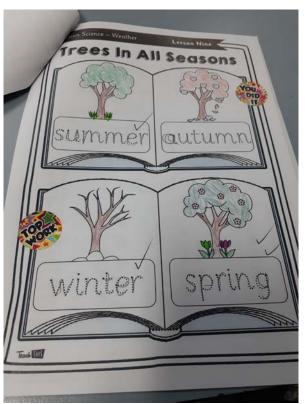
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#### **Grade 1 / 2 K**

As we continue with our Remote Learning, it has been great to see Grade 1-2 students excited to start their next three weeks of learning!

Students are enjoying the activities in the packs and have been busy completing work whether it is writing a short sentence using a sentence starter or playing dice games in Numeracy.

It has been nice to see many faces on our daily Classroom Meet, which has been a very helpful tool for everyone involved. We even had a Pet Day where everyone on the Meet introduced us to his or her pets!



Dylan and his magical paper boat art activity.

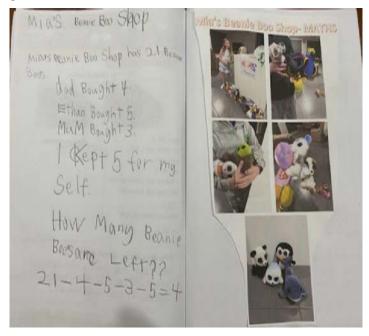
If Dylan had the chance to travel in a magical boat (like Max does in the story 'Where The Wild Things Are') he would take;

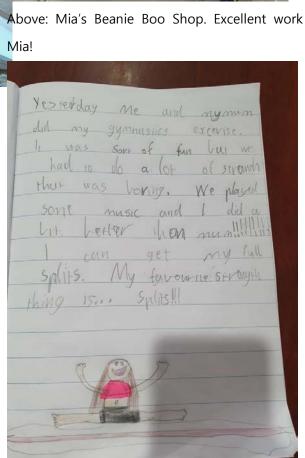
- His Xbox
- His dog Nickel
- His cat Snow

Well done, Dylan!



Finn enjoying a game of Dice Bingo, Well done, Finn! It looks like you are enjoying the dice games.





Rachael's Remote Learning Diary, keep up the great work, Rachael! It sounds like you are having heaps of fun!



We are having a breakfast meet this week.

Emily Webber has created this beautiful, bright poster for everyone to see!

Well done, Emily great idea and creativity!

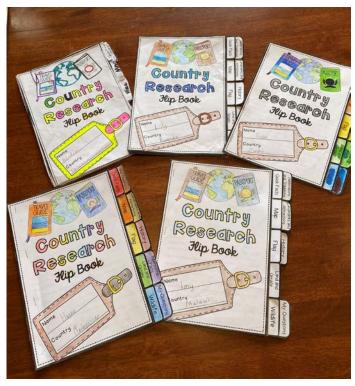
Bacon & Eggs... mmmm.

Keep up the brilliant work Grade 1-2 and parents! Everyone is doing such a great job in such uncertain times.

Don't forget to keep sending your teachers the work that you are completing so we can share it for everyone to see!

#### **GRADE 5/6 LEARNING**

We have been very impressed with the continued commitment our students have had towards their remote learning. They are submitting tasks, receiving feedback and resubmitting if necessary. We have had 100% attendance every morning in our class meets and this sets us up for a successful day. We began 'Feedback Friday' as part of informing families of the learning tasks their children have been participating in. Please advise us if you haven't received these emails. We have also been working on small focus groups in reading and maths groups will begin next week. We have had some wonderful 'Country Research' booklets completed and handed in at changeover time. Well done!!



#### FOUNDATION REMOTE LEARNING

This is Week 7 of our term and it is Week 4 of Remote Learning. I congratulate all parents and students on giving your best effort at this challenging time. From emails, phone calls and texts that I have received, it is unanimous that some days are better than others! Can I say I fit in that category as well.

I have spent this week viewing and correcting the children's Week's 4, 5 and 6 Learning Packs. A huge thank you for not removing the staple and pulling the booklet apart. Or thank you for returning the pack in an organised manner that I can easily assess each task. I was very impressed with some ingenious and creative ideas to return these!! Hoping the current pack is suiting everyone, especially the VIP child.

Please try not to encourage the use of texta. Preference is... NO TEXTA. They do not assist with eye hand co-ordination that is required for handwriting at this level. In class, we only allow texta for Bubble Writing, highlighting and extra special decorating.

Enjoy the Foundation photos of tasks that were completed with effort... that is what we call "Striving For Excellence". Such an important trait to install in your child. Our learning is important and it requires effort. All eyes... Teachers, Parents and Students love to view activities that are presented neatly and with care.

A task that is required each day after Reading the just right readers is the practice of sight words. (Just practising to read sight words in isolation will not retain them.) The importance of daily reading is essential to your child's growth in Literacy development. The "I can Practice my Sight words" book was sent home in the first pack in Week 4. In one of the photos in this newsletter, I have included an example of best practice. Select words your child can read from their lists, or simply from your child's just right reader. Practice saying, spelling the word aloud and then writing it many times will assist with reading and writing them automatically.

I have received photos of Mrs Serra's art activities and I will certainly share them with her. She will be pleased to know they are appreciated. I was just reading an article how Art/Craft tasks are on the demand during Covid19 as they encourage calm, mindful and creative thinking. Thanks Mrs Serra for your well thought out plastic pocket with all the requirements to create and design at home.

I hope you are all enjoying a few episodes of Bluey on IVIEW. What a delightful show! And we just have to love Dad the way he interacts with his family. I hope the Bluey Grid provides enjoyment and things to do when daily tasks are finished. I watched the episode of *Hospital* the other day which put a grin on my face. So funny. Jude Brown's favourite episode is *Asparagus*. But seriously, they are all great!

I am now thinking of the last week of this term. This is not included in the pack you have now. Would we be so lucky to be able to be all back in the classroom at school??? I don't like our chances at all. So I am thinking what would the children like to review and what revision is required. Or could it be a fun "Spoonville 3614" Pack. How gorgeous are these spoon characters loitering around down at our park. They better not be venturing over the road to the Pub. Hope you've had a chance to see them! Any creative minds out there, I'm always open to suggestions as to Spoon Activities.

Please continue to forward me photos of your time at home. Remember to check in Foundation Google classroom when you can. It helps to keep us connected. I wonder what surprises I could possibly come up with in the next couple of weeks.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

#### Subject: Toolamba Lions Twilight Festival

Due to the ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic, unfortunately the Toolamba Twilight Festival for 2020 has been cancelled.

We would like to thank you for your valued support over the past several years. It is unfortunate but we hope to be back, bigger and better in 2021 with yet another very successful Twilight Festival in Toolamba.

Regards Heather Mulcahy President.

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#### **CALENDAR**

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Sept Last Day Term 3

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Oct First Day Term 4