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CONNECTIONS

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READY, SET, GO... HOME LEARNING 2.0!

Thank you for the messages of support you have sent our teachers and staff members in recent days. Thank you to our staff members for their ongoing efforts and positivity in challenging circumstances. As a staff we are so proud of the way all of our students have embraced the changes to our remote learning approach, starting our days with a Google Meet seems to be setting all children up for a successful day. To all our parents and carers, the encouragement and support you are giving your children is wonderful, you and they are doing a great job!

Even in this last week there have been some changes and adjustments to how we are to operate as a school during this period of Stage 3 Restrictions and Remote Learning. The latest information about coronavirus (COVID-19) and schools is on the Department of Education and Training website; education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus, which you can visit by clicking the link below:

DEECD COVID-19

Please remember if you, your child, or a family member develops symptoms of a fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell or taste, you should

get tested at a coronavirus (COVID-19) testing facility and stay home. This is vitally important to keeping our school community safe.

If you would like health information from the Department of Health and Human Services, you can visit; dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus, or click the link below:

DHHS COVID-19 ADVICE

Wishing all our families a lovely weekend. Stay safe.

Erin Norman
Principal

OUT OF BOOKS?

With all of this reading at home, and our wonderful libraries across the state closed, you may have found yourself out of books. If you're searching for a story fix, or wanting to tick off some books on your Premiers' Reading Challenge list, be sure to access Story Box Library, and take a look at some of the resources on the Audio Book page of our Remote Learning Site.

LIBRARY RESOURCES

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Mela, Prep B: For being a positive, happy, friendly, and kind student!

Aidan, 1/2C: For a super duper extra amazing start to MiniLit this term. Love the Sight Word Art too! - *Mrs. A*

Helena, 1/2 D: For her amazing information report about her favourite toy that she was able to do independently! Awesome, Helena!

Oliver, 3-6A: For his enthusiastic start to MacqLit this term, and for a great sentence using the word 'impart' - *Mrs. A*.

Carissa, 5/6 A: Your writing on 'The Lion and the Mouse' was outstanding Carissa. You are a very talented writer and I am looking forward to reading more of your stories - *Mrs. Dybing*

STORY BOX LIBRARY

Don't forget, as a member of the Mitcham Primary School Community, you get free access to Story Box Library! Our login details are:

Username: Mitcham Primary School

Password: MPS

CLICK HERE TO LOG IN





MPS BOOK WORMS

Now that we're in Round 2 of Remote Learning, lots of Mitcham Primary School students have had their head buried in a book! If you have read a great book lately, and want to tell us about it, you can send us a book review by visiting the Library Page on our Remote Learning Site, or click below:

[WRITE A BOOK REVIEW HERE!](#)

Check out this review by Eliana in 3/4 B.

Book Title: Normal Kid

Author: Greg James & Chris Smith

What's it about?: It's a great story about a 'normal' boy who accidentally ended up going to a superhero school.

Why do you think it's great? It is really funny, and has a really good storyline. I really enjoyed it.

Review By: Eliana, 3/4 B

Eliana's Book Review will be published on the Library Page of our School Website.

[CLICK HERE TO SEE IT](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
18 SEPTEMBER	LAST DAY TERM 3 PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE LAST DAY
5 OCTOBER	FIRST DAY TERM 4
17 -23 OCT.	BOOK WEEK
3 NOVEMBER	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
18 DECEMBER	LAST DAY TERM 4

WANT TO SHARE?

Want to add to MPS Connections?

We're asking for you to email us uplifting and positive snippets of information, short articles and photos that capture wonderful things that are happening in our community at this unique time, whilst we are staying at home.

2021 ENROLMENTS

If you have children starting Prep next year, we encourage you to complete an enrolment form, these are available by clicking the link below:

[PREP ENROLMENT](#)

VICTORIAN PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Year after year, the Premiers' Reading Challenge continues to inspire more children to read, helping to build essential literacy skills that support their education.

The PRC is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 4 September, 2020.

Mitcham Primary School has partaken in the challenge for many years. This year, we have made the shift to giving families access to the Premiers' Reading Challenge online portal. If you're ready to get involved, simply complete the below form to request your child/children's login details and we will email them to you.

[REQUEST YOUR PASSWORD](#)

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and/or teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge by 18 September, will receive a certificate of achievement digitally signed by the Victorian Premier, Daniel Andrews.

All links and information surrounding the Premiers' Reading Challenge are accessible from the Library page of our Remote Learning Site, see below:

[PRC PAGE](#)

REMOTE LEARNING LEGEND

Helena from 1/2 D independently produced a fantastic information report about her favourite toy.

