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Term 1 Week 10

Thursday 2nd April 2020

Important events / Notices to remember

- Easter Holidays—Friday the 10th – 26th April
- School Development Day Monday the 27th April
- Unpaid Excursion fees are due.
- Last week's completed work due for marking and assessment.

Learning from home likely to continue well into Term 2-

The school has received information to indicate that social distancing measures will continue for at least another 90 days.

Fortunately for all Australians, the government's social distancing policies are working to flatten the curve. This will allow more time for a vaccine to be found for COVID-19 and ensure that our hospital system is not overwhelmed, saving many thousands of lives.

Learning from home has been a significant strategy within the social distancing policy and will continue to be so for the foreseeable future.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed our lives greatly over the past few weeks. You have all chosen to make sacrifices for your children and the wider community by keeping your children at home and engaging in distance learning. All of the staff here at Afterlee Public School are wishing you all the best. We want you to know we have your back. We are here to support you and your child's learning in any way that we can.

Please feel free to ring us at school if you have any questions or concerns.

Noah and Izaak were happy to find some colouring and familiar fun spelling activities in the take home pack this week. Easter crafts were also a highlight. The Echidnas

will have fun sewing and creating cards while the Puggles will be making colourful Easter baskets and cards.

Free learning resources-

There is an ever increasing amount of free resources being made available to help you and your child/ren continue their (and maybe your) learning journey.

The ABC will expand television education lessons to help children learning at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. Educational programs will run from 10am to 3pm on ABC ME from April 14, and will include shows such as *Ecomaths*, *ScienceXplosion*, *Numberblocks* and *English on the Go*. Teacher-led sessions will be developed with the assistance of education departments, complementing 4,000 free videos and interactive resources.

<https://education.abc.net.au/home#!/home>

Other great websites you can check out include;



A free news site for children that reads the news to them if needed <https://www.kidsnews.com.au/>

Studyladder

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If you have a public library card you can access Story Box for Free.

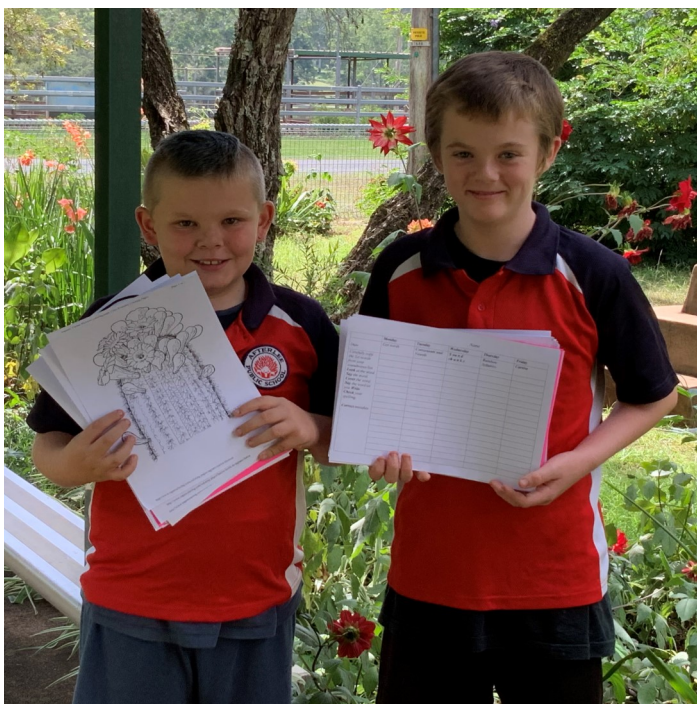
<https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/>

Messaging App for parents– Hopefully all parents have received an invitation to join Class Dojo messenger app. It would be very helpful for us if you could join and download the messaging app. This will allow us to communicate with you quickly and conveniently.



Free desk and chair-

There are old classroom desks and chairs available at school. Students are welcome to take one of each to help set up a permanent learning space at home.



Social Distancing Advice-

Remember to clean your hands thoroughly for at least 20-seconds with soap and water and cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.

Stay 1.5 metres away from those people who do not already live in your household.

Stay home unless you are working, or shopping for essentials.

Ring the doctor, hospital or pharmacy if you are sick. Do not go into these venues unless you have been asked to or it is an emergency.

Challenge— You may like to try a daily Lego challenge. If you don't have Lego, why not create something from cardboard, straws, paddle pop sticks or anything else you may have at home. Please send us some photos of your creations.

30 Day LEGO Challenge

Follow the instructions for each day. The only rule is to have fun and use your imagination!

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
You were hired by an amusement park to create a new roller coaster.	NASA needs you to build a new rocket.	Your parents want to build a new home and they want you to build it.	Hollywood hires you to build a movie set for a new Star Wars movie.
Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
You enter a contest to build the world's tallest tower. Will you win?	You are stuck on Mars and need to build a new ship to get home.	Ford hires you to create the toughest pick up truck in the world.	You and 4 friends are stranded on an island. Build a boat to find a way home.
Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	Day 12
Captain Hook needs a new pirate ship and wants you to build it.	You and your friends decide to build a tree house.	Prince Charming hires you to build a castle for him & Cinderella.	Dr. Who hires you to build a new TARDIS.
Day 13	Day 14	Day 15	Day 16
You are asked by the President to build a new monument to George Washington.	Mr. Hilton hires you to build a new hotel.	There is a circus in town. Build a place for the performance.	Help your fellow pioneers build a wagon to make it across the country.
Day 17	Day 18	Day 19	Day 20
Build the fastest car around and join the big car race.	Do you wanna build a snowman? Get in the winter mood and build a snow scene.	The city wants you to build a bridge to connect one side of the town to the other.	Pizza party! It is up to you to make a pizza for all the guests.
Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24
You are hired to build a brand new hospital.	The fence is broke and the dog keeps escaping. Build one he can't get out of.	You are now in medieval times. You are commissioned to build a jousting arena.	The local bank keeps getting robbed. Build a safe no one can crack.
Day 25	Day 26	Day 27	Day 28
Design and build your dream bedroom.	You are elected ruler. Build a flag for your land.	Aliens are invading and you need to build a war robot to defeat them.	The aliens have taken over. They are impressed by your robot. They want you to build one for them.
Day 29	Day 30	What was your favorite day?	
You are hired to build a house entirely out of yellow Legos.	There is blizzard. You will need to build a snowmobile.	