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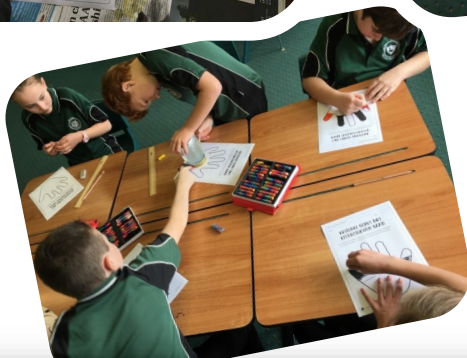
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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!



Dear Families,

Well, we are back in the full swing of school again and I am excited to announce that we did it!! We made it through! Well done to every single one of you for the way that you have supported your children's education by supporting the steps and processes that the school has asked you to do. We know it was not ideal and that there were times when you would have been frustrated and a bit 'over it,' but well done on pushing through and making it work! What a brilliant example the last two months have been of our TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More).



Our start back this week has been brilliant. For some of our students coming back to school has been tough, but for the majority it has been something that they have clearly been looking forward to. Walking around the school at recess and lunch always gives me an indication of how people are going and it's fair to say that at the moment we have a student body who are happy to be at school and happy to be with their friends.



As we move forward into Term 2, we want you to know that some things will return to 'normal' while other things may take some time to do so. We will communicate as best as we can what we need to happen and try to keep you guys as informed as we can. We have been really pleased with the way that the adults in our school community have set a really good example for our students particularly at drop off times at the start of the day and collection times at the end of the day. Although we miss seeing our adults, it has made for a very calm start and end to our day and we thank you for following the simple instructions to ensure we are all safe at school. We have continued our structured handwashing routines and cleaning schedules to ensure that all people in the school are following the government's guidelines.

Information will come out soon in regards to future events, activities and processes for SPS. Keep an eye out in the newsletter and on our Facebook page for things like Cross Country, assembly and reports (which will be different from usual).

COVID19 is not behind us yet, so we will continue to work together to follow the guidelines set for us. With all the negative aspects of COVID19, one of the positives that has come out of it is the way that our school community has grown stronger and closer together. I am convinced that from where we are now at SPS, sits a very bright future!

Thanks so much for your ongoing support and well done.

Mr Josh Smith
Principal

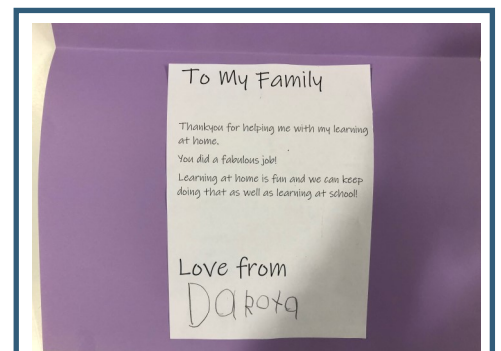
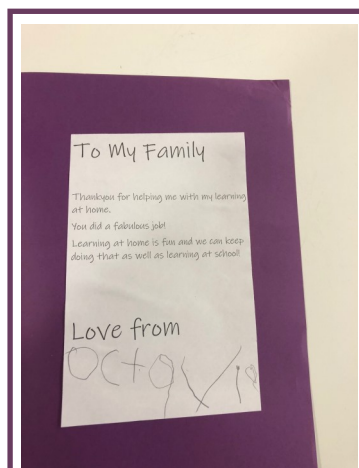
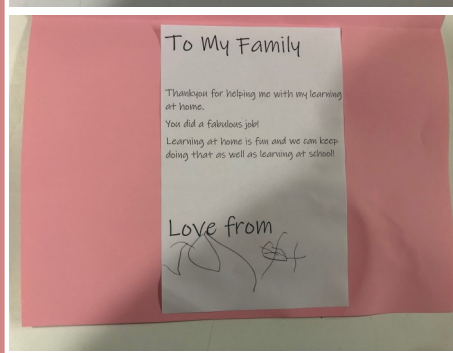
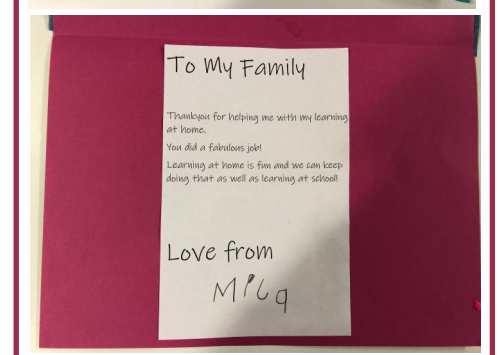
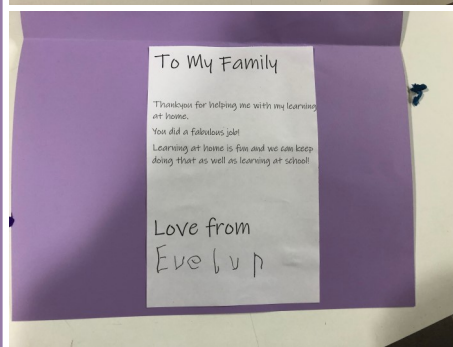
<i>Dates To Remember</i>	
JUNE	
Mon 8th	Public Holiday
Tues 23rd	School Photos
JULY	
Mon 6th	School Holidays start
Mon 20th	Student Free Day
Tues 21st	Start of Term 3

Kinder Grey

sharing our work from home this week at school with our friends



Thank You cards
we have made
for our families for
helping us
with 'Learning at home'



2/3 Goodwin

In 2/3 Goodwin we have been recognising and identifying patterns in our Science inquiry. We have been working in groups to see which cards relate to each other and talking about the 'why' we put those cards that way. It was a wonderful way to talk and engage with each other after learning from home the last few weeks.



Things we are doing at SPS to keep everyone safe:

- Strict handwashing routines throughout the school day.
- Avoiding sharing items among students.
- Cleaning surfaces that are touched often.
- Cleaning hard surfaces in the classroom.
- Anyone (staff and students) who are unwell does not attend school.
- Using physical distancing as is practical.
- Removing and avoiding fabric from the classrooms when possible.
- No sharing of food or drink.
- Limiting the number of adults at SPS.
- No sending home readers and not using physical communication books.
- Sneezing and coughing into our elbows, not hands.
- Educating children about germs and how to prevent spreading germs.

SCHOOL PHOTOS



Tuesday, 23rd June 2020

LEADING IMAGE WILL BE TAKING OUR ANNUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

- Ordering online is the easiest and safest method.
- If you order online or pay by cash, please return your envelope.
- If you'd like a family photo you must collect a PINK family envelope from the office; without it you will miss out.
- No change is provided by the school office or photographers.
- Everyone has a single photo and class photo taken whether you've ordered or not.
- For the best results, a clean uniform is preferred.
- Parents who don't place a order on the day will be given a second chance to order after photos are delivered.

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