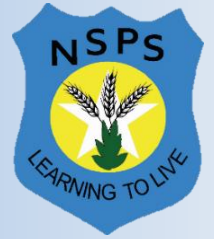




North Star Public School BULLETIN



Learning To Live

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Term 4, Week 3

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Principal's Report

This week we had a visit from Jeremy Mills our Director Education Leadership. Mr Mills reviewed our progress on our School Plan and our budget. He is planning another visit later in the term where we will go through my Professional Development Plan. All New South Wales Education staff engage in the PDP process which support professional learning and growth. We will have school based PDP meetings for our staff later in the term.

We have started to put some draft plans together for next year. We are looking at provisioning three classrooms and transition for 35 weeks. In addition, the department has extended the COVID intensive support so we will be able to employ additional staff with those funds.

Mrs Taylor helped out Mrs Moonie at Tulloona on Tuesday. She will also help out next Tuesday and then back to North Star on Wednesday. The following week Mrs Moonie has a teacher organised to provide support from then on. Mrs Moonie is acting as Principal at Tulloona while the position is being recruited.

The P and C held a very productive P and C meeting yesterday where we discussed a number of plans for the future.

This week we received the great news that the border to Queensland will be open in December in time for Christmas! Woohoo! Families will be able to be together to celebrate.

Mrs Sloan

From The Office

Happy Friday everyone! Week Three is done and dusted so bring on a great weekend!. Term 4 is certainly going fast especially with harvest now starting for some of our families.

Just a friendly reminder once again that at Level 3, which is what we are currently in, parents are still not permitted on school grounds.

If your child/children are arriving late to school or are needing to leave early, please ring the school office on 0746763128 and a staff member will accompany them to or from the school gate.

All the staff here are eagerly waiting for it to be Level 2 again, and that will allow a lot more things to happen on a school level.

Should Level 2 be introduced soon, and parents allowed back on school grounds in a voluntary capacity, I will need a copy of your Covid 19 immunisation statement if you have not sent it in already. Thank you to the many families who have already done so.

Thanks Mrs Crichlow for canteen today. She had the nicest cupcakes which I am sure everyone enjoyed. I know Mrs Nixon and I did.



Mrs Bush

What's On in 1-3

This week we have been continuing our maths focus on Multiplication for Year 3, learning about factors and prime numbers. Stage one have been working on place value using 3 digit numbers and are becoming very good at knowing the difference between value and digit in the Hundreds, Tens and Ones columns. Year 3 have Multiplication practice for homework and a challenge to earn stars if they can learn 5 new times table facts each week.

In Reading our focus has been on the 'right their questions', finding key words in the question and text and then answering the question. Stage 1 have home readers that they should practice their fluency and following the punctuation on the page to help understand what they are reading. Please return the home readers on a Monday.

Our Wellbeing Journal needs to be returned each week on a Monday with other homework assignments, so we can start the activity at school and complete it at home with parents. The students only share what's in their journal if they want to and are encouraged to talk to their parents about the activities each week.



Mrs Pritchard

What's on in Years 4-6

This week we have been focussing on decimals in Maths and Inferential Comprehension and creating tension in writing. The students really do like to be challenged and challenge themselves.

Mrs Sloan

Technology in 4-6

This term we are learning new technological skills with the help of the program 'The Student Filmmaker'.

So far, we have learnt about screen recording, camera techniques and editing. We are using the cameras on our new laptops for photos and recording.

Our goal is to create a PowerPoint of 'The Year that was 2021' and a video to farewell our year six's, Marli and Alirose, to present at our end of year celebrations.

Technology can be quite tedious at times; however, everyone is enjoying finding little tricks and experimenting with different techniques.

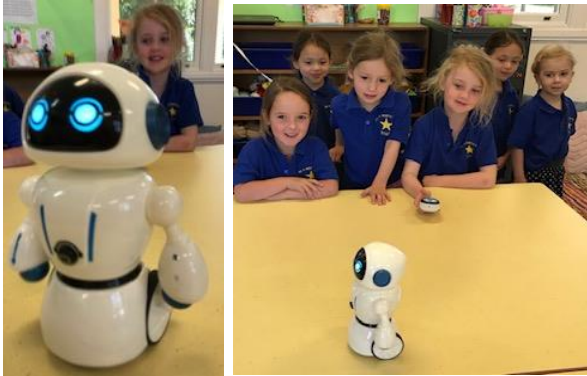


A worm's eye view

Mrs Taylor

Big School News with Mrs Forsyth

We were very excited to see Ava's robot and loved watching it roll around on the table. We were doing the letter 'r' for 'rusty robot' so it was just perfect!



We rolled out playdough to make a racing car, a rooster, a ruffy (barking) dog and the letter 'r'. We are staying on the lines and dots when we write and wrote an 'r' on our new white board too.



Our favourite part of the day was making 'robots'. Mrs Forsyth covered boxes with aluminium foil and we decorated them with patty cake cases, buttons, pompoms, pipe cleaners and tops of bottles.

Mrs Forsyth

