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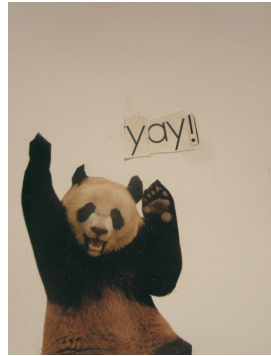
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Yay, finally we received the news that everyone has been patiently waiting for. Tuesday the 26th of May will be the day students in Grade Prep-2 return. I know the staff were very happy to hear the news. We are all waiting in anticipation for students return. I have asked for special permission for the Grade 3-6 students to begin school on the same date but as yet I have not received a response. As it stands students in Grades 3-6 will have to wait until Tuesday the 9th of June before they can return. Monday the 25th of May will be a Pupil free Curriculum Day. This day will be used by teachers to prepare for the return of students.



Cleaning has been increased until the end of Term 3. Detailed cleaning of touch points, table tops and toilets will occur each day.

When school resumes all students will be expected to attend school as normal. This means if you choose to keep your child/children home after their year level has returned to on-site schooling, we can no longer support their learning from home. This does not apply to children who need to be absent for health or medical reasons. For those families, please contact us so we can make an appropriate plan.

In order for all staff and students to remain safe at school we will be requiring parents to adjust to new regulations for social distancing. The car park and area outside the shedatorium can no longer be a gathering space for people to sit and talk. The front office can only have 1 visitor at a time. There will also be restrictions on access to the school site for anyone other than immediate school staff and students. **Parents will not be able to walk past the front office to classrooms.** If you need to speak to a teacher please write a quick note in your child's diary or ring the school to make an appointment. At this stage all camps, excursions and sporting events are still postponed.

## Enrolments for 2021

We are now taking enrolments for 2021. Although I can not take people through our school on a tour, I can sit down with them to answer questions and discuss the enrolment process. Please spread the news to family and friends.

## Project week

This week all students will be completing projects. Teachers have created a wide range of different activities and tasks that students can choose from. If you require coloured cover paper, stencils for headings or such, please ring the school and we will arrange to have these ready for your collection outside the office. Remember not all tasks need completing. The projects main aims are to ensure students (and parents) remain engaged and interested in their learning, while allowing personal talents, interests and creative flairs be utilized. There will be no formal lessons online. Teachers will be there to explain and offer suggestions and advice.



Happy Birthday Oscar Williamson. We hope you had a wonderful day celebrating your special day.

This is a small snippet of student art work that has been completed during COVID 19.

Thanking you in advance for your patience as we work together on line,

Moira Ross



### Important Dates - May

25th Pupil free curriculum day

26th Grade Prep- 2 students return to school.

### June

8th June Queen's Birthday—public Holiday

9th June All students on site at school

16th School Council meeting 3:45pm

26th Last day of Term 2 School dismissed at 2:30pm

## CSEF

Many parents will now be eligible for CSEF. Your eligibility may have changed as a result of COVID-19. Please email the school and we will include the forms in your weekly Student pickup. Either return the Original Form to school next time you are there or it can be scanned using notes on an iPhone or photographed and emailed to Kerry at [wrigley.kerry.j@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wrigley.kerry.j@edumail.vic.gov.au). Please ensure that your photo is a clear copy! You do not need to supply a copy of your current card as the system will access Centrelink to determine your eligibility. The applicant must be one of the following: a parent/carer (of the relevant student) who is: on the first day of term one or the first day of term two an eligible beneficiary of either a Centrelink Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card; or an eligible beneficiary of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card; or a temporary foster carer; or the parent/carer of a student who is 16 years or older and who holds a valid concession card (such as a Youth Allowance Health Care Card or Disability Support Pension Card). If this is the case please also write their card details on the application form. The parent/carer must submit an application to the school prior to the end of May 20, 20 to allow time for applications to be lodged. Provided the above conditions are satisfied, the amount payable is: \$125 for Primary school students. \$225 for Secondary school students.

## Creative Writing from Zac Fox

### How turtles got their shells

A long, long time ago no turtles had shells – not one.

People carved wood or rocks to make bowls to eat in.

One day a turtle named Jack crawled into an old bowl and the others copied. They used it to protect themselves from predators.

### The Scary Day

I am a vampire bat. My name is Ben. This is about a scary day two weeks ago. I heard humans talking about mining my cave, sounds scary. A few days later the same people came back plus more people.

In one minute they made BIG holes in my cave. They yelled “BATS”. I ran. Rocks went everywhere! I flew out of my cave. In the cave next door my mum and dad lived so I went there and there were even more people and big, shiny rocks. I had to find a new cave. I did one mile away in a forest.

No more bad things happened again.

# Learning from Home Survey

The Learning from Home Surveys will be open between **Wednesday 13 May and Friday 26 June 2020**. There is a separate survey for students and parents. The surveys are open for:

- all **students** in Years 4 to 12; and
- all **parents** to complete.

The surveys are completely anonymous and parents may complete it at **any convenient time** throughout the fieldwork period; and on **any device** connected to the internet.

Students at Coimadai PS will complete their survey while working with Miss Williamson.

## What is the purpose of the survey and why should I participate?

Learning from home is a big change for schools, teachers, students and families. This survey is designed to help schools understand how learning from home is going for students and their families, and the information collected can be used to drive school improvements.

The survey is voluntary; however, you are encouraged to participate. Summary results for our school will be provided to the school throughout the survey period to allow for fast identification of issues or areas for improvement.

## Please use the link below to complete the 5 minute survey

**Survey link:** <https://www.orima.com.au/lfh/parents>

**School Name:** Coimadai Primary School

**School PIN:** 851423