



### Gun Safety

With holidays just around the corner, we all know accidents can happen, We have had some talk recently about guns on properties. Why not take these school holidays to talk to your kids about gun safety.



**Next Meeting:**  
**Will be postponed until further notice**  
**Country Women's Association**  
*of New South Wales*

**P&C Meetings**

Next meeting will be Friday the 24th July.  
See you there!



## SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
1	20 Staff Development Day <b>No students</b>	21 Students Return	22	23	24 P&C Meeting in the kitchen at 9am	25	26
2	27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	10	11	12	13	14 Reports Home	15	16
5	17 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	18 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	19 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	20 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	21 Lake Ainsworth Excursion	22	23
6	24 Book Week!	25	26	27 Character Parade & Book Fair	28	29	30



1st June 2020

from **BENDEMEER PUBLIC SCHOOL**

## A LITTLE SCHOOL DOING BIG THINGS

### From the Principal...

What a whirlwind beginning we have had to 2020.

We began our year a little differently with all of our students in one classroom. Although we only had 8 short weeks together at school before At Home Learning began, our routines had begun to develop and learning was well underway. All of this helped as students transitioned to at home learning. Daily outlines were sent out to guide families as they supported their children with their learning journey.

Somewhere in the mix there were the school holidays and I think there was Easter too, but for our staff it was all a bit of a blur! We worked tirelessly to prepare 5 weeks of daily lesson outlines for each year group in non-teacher talk so that adults at home could implement the learning. We developed and prepared resources and put together a mini classroom in a bag ready for adults to pick up on day 1 of term to support them at home

With everyone back on deck it was fabulous to see how our teaching program had continued at home and students returned on track with their learning. 5 weeks back in and we can see that although learning is not exactly where we planned for this time of year students are continuing to progress at a steady rate.

I am filled with pride in my staff, students and families. I have admiration for each of our families for taking on the immense job of teaching their children at home and I can only hope that the many hours of preparations that we put into place made the experience of at home learning a positive and memorable one for all. Have fabulous and safe holidays everyone! See you all in Term 3.

Happy Reading! Mrs Magann



### P&C Update

Secretary, Edwina Byrne

A lot of hard work behind the scenes went into getting our Bendemeer Primary School a working kitchen, with plans for a future Breakfast Club too.

Thank you to our Principal Mrs Magann for steering the project and filling in the pages of grant paperwork for partial funding from our government. We are fortunate that our GA Mr Robertson's building skills kept the costs down. Our dedicated P&C will support further development of this space for our students.

Thank you to all the parents and community volunteers for giving up their time to run the rodeo canteens and fundraising nights over the years. Congratulations all round.

Look forward to seeing you all soon!

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-Nelson Mandela

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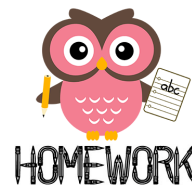






## Homework

Reminder to keep an eye out for Homework due to recommence in Term 3.



## Book Week, Character Parade & Book Fair in Term 3 Week 6!

We are getting in early to remind you all that Book Week is coming up fast!

We will be hosting our annual Character Parade on Thursday 27th August as well as the Book Fair in the library. Pre-school students will be joining us for our parade and we will make the most of this gathering to have a BBQ lunch. Mrs Doak will also be visiting to do some book readings with the students - We cant wait to see the students costumes!

## Lake Ainsworth excursion - 17-21 August 2020

Years 2 to 6 are getting excited as the Lake Ainsworth excursion is getting closer! At this stage, the excursion is still going ahead, and we have welcomed Yarrowitch Public School as they have come on board to attend with us.

Mrs Boyd has sent out final payment reminder notes to families as the final instalment is due Week 2 of next term. If you need to discuss your instalments, please contact Mrs Magann or Mrs Boyd as soon as possible.

## From Mrs Swain

Who would have thought pairing socks could be so fun? Students from Year 1 can be seen exploring number patterns in maths last week with Mrs Swain. They explored odd and even numbers and practised counting by twos by throwing pairs of socks into a hoop and keeping track of their scores in a table.

We also took some photos of our first Robotics lesson with Mel Woods supporting the Stemshare Robotics kit we have at school.

We will be having fun exploring and coding the robots Dash (pictured), Blue Bots and Lego WeDots during Term 3!



## Student Semester 1 Reports

Due to COVID-19, there are significant changes to our student reports. These are currently being prepared by our teaching staff. Student reports will go home in Week 4 of Term 3



## Congratulations Heemskerk Family!

On behalf of Bendemeer School we would love to congratulate Tiarni & Family on the safe arrival of their baby boy – Ziggy!

## Cooking in the Classroom with Mrs Magann!

We've been having so much fun in our new kitchen making yummy treats!



## Musica Viva wrap up with Mrs Tolosa

Plans to see the live Makukuhan performance in Tamworth were halted as the Covid – 19 pandemic took hold, but our students didn't miss out as innovation and the world wide web really came to life. Students were able to watch the live performance via a Zoom Webinar, interact directly with the performers and see students from Dungowan Public School who were also watching the performance. This performance was unique again in the fact that all three performers were based in three separate locations – Bali (Indonesia), Sydney and Melbourne!

Students were fascinated by the dynamic mini-Gamelan orchestra, the performance was a blend of colour and rhythm, including pitch-bending drums, an enthralling masked dance and the splendid bronze gongs and metallaphones which are integral to Indonesian culture.

