Newsletter Week 11

We would again like to thank our parents and community for their continued support through this difficult situation. I would also like to thank my hard-working staff who are working overtime to deliver workpacks, support families, supervise children and investigate new and innovative ways of delivering lessons.

It is heart-warming to see so many parents actively involved, supporting their children working from home. You are doing an amazing job, you are our hero's right now - never doubt that! We understand how difficult it is for you to have to work from home yourself <u>and</u> assist your children, some of our staff are in the exact same boat! My advise to you is just do what you can when you can. Be kind to yourself!

For those that have engaged with the online platforms, keep those videos of your children learning at home coming. We really do appreciate them and it is helping us stay connected. We will continue to upload content for you and your children to do the same.

If you need support with technology, the school has devices you can borrow and we can even talk you through accessing the content. Just call, we are here to help!

Currently, the advice from the Department of Education remains the same: 'The NSW Government is continuing measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 through the community. To do this, parents and carers are strongly encouraged to keep their children home if possible. Some people may not be in a position to provide supervision to their children at home. This could be because they are delivering frontline services to the community. Therefore, it is important that supervision of these children is prioritised and provided by their school. This ensures they can continue to carry out their work and support the continued function of society. Health advice remains the same and this is about taking extra precautions and supporting parents to take practical measures during social-distancing.'

For those of you able to go online, please explore the department's learning from home resources for parents. These support both online and offline learning for all students. It can be found at https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-from-home

We are aware that this is a difficult time for students and their families and we are here to provide support for learning and wellbeing. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you or your children need access to support.



At present, we are assuming the current arrangements will continue into next term and we will continue to support learning from home using Google Classroom, See Saw and paper workpacks. If things change during the holidays, we will adjust our plans accordingly and post announcements on the schools Facebook page.

As you would understand, our teachers and staff have been working very hard to support the continuity of learning for our students while balancing care and concerns for their own families and health. I ask our community to understand that teachers will not be responding to Google Classroom comments or questions after usual school hours or during the holidays. As this has been a stressful and concerning time, I am encouraging all of you to take the upcoming holidays as an opportunity to look after your wellbeing and spend quality time with your families. My staff will be encouraged to do the same.

Please stay safe during this difficult time. Look after your families and look after yourself too! Teachers will be in contact during Week 1 of Term 2.

Take care,

Catherine Glennan



Colouring Competition

In lieu of an Easter Hat Parade this year, the school will be holding an Easter Colouring in Competition.

Categories:

- 1. One child per class will win an Easter Egg (Criteria: most colourful/neatest work)
- 2. Using a combination of only 4 colours and 4 strokes category (up/down strokes, side to side strokes, anti-clockwise strokes and clockwise strokes). There will be a K-2 prize and 3-6 prize.
- 3. Parents colouring in category Yes- One just for you! 1 lucky parent will win themselves 2 blocks of Lindt Chocolate and Ferrero Rochers!
- 4. 'All In' Family colouring in Competition 2 x large boxes of Cadbury's Favourites!

There are many ways you can win so get colouring!

Entries close Wednesday 29th April!

Fun fact – did you know all the letters of our alphabet are formed using the above mentioned 4 strokes- up/down stroke, side to side stroke, anti-clockwise stroke and clockwise stroke? Test it for yourself! Check the way your kids form their letters. Are they using the right strokes?





Parents Competition

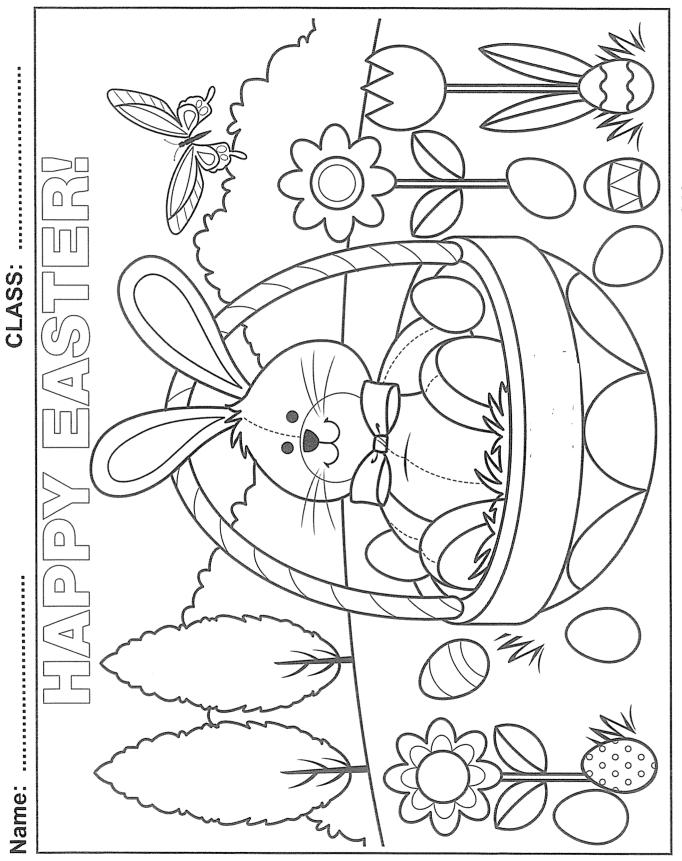
Name:



3-6 EASTER COLOURING IN COMPETITION



NAME: CLASS:



K-2 EASTER COLOURING IN COMPETITION

ALL IN

Family Name:

