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Week 8 - Term 2

Dear Families,

Year 3 - Room 17 Update

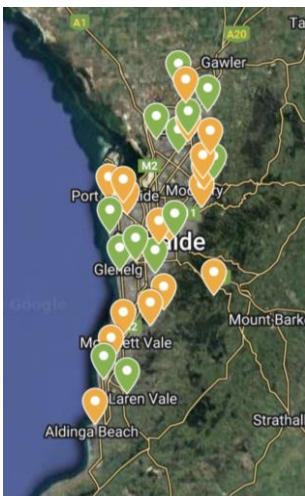
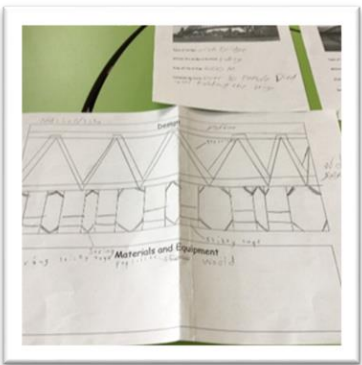
This term we have been very busy in Room 17. As part of the Our Place unit of work for HASS, the class researched some natural and human-made landforms of Australia. In small groups the students then had to research, design and build a bridge. The brief was to design and build a bridge capable of holding a certain amount of weight (in this scenario – dictionaries). The bridge was to go across two tables, with the distance between a minimum of 20cm, while the bridge had to be at least 30cm in length.

The students had to complete a pre-design, by researching three different bridges from around the world. They then had to design a bridge that was clearly labelled, detailed and had a list of materials and equipment required to build the bridge. A final model was then built and tested. The students then recreated their bridges using Minecraft.

Part of the success criteria for this project was team work. Each student had to contribute some ideas to the pre-design, the design and the building of their bridge. Group members were expected to cooperate, be flexible, open minded and demonstrate persistence and perseverance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

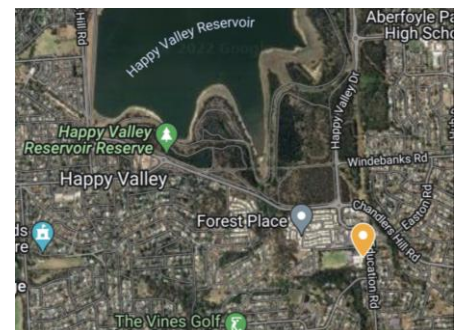
- R-2 Water Safety – 27th June – 1st July
- Jam Band – Friday 8th July
- Casual Day Last day of term 2 – Friday 8th July
- Learning Conversations – Week 2 Term 3
- Governing Council – Monday 8th August @ 7pm



Dyslexia/Science of Reading Community Map

We are very proud to be on the Dyslexia/Science of Reading map for schools that have a whole school approach to effective, explicit reading instruction, early identification of struggling readers and provide evidenced based intervention and adjustments.

We have been added with an orange pin for the continued work on The Science of Reading, use of evidence based practices and effective reading instruction.



Learning Conversations

Learning Conversations were delayed late Term 1 due to COVID restrictions and a sharp increase in COVID cases for staff, students and the wider community. As a staff we have been discussing the most appropriate week to hold our Learning Conversations and we have decided that Week 2 in Term 3 would be the most suitable time. Bookings will commence from Monday Week 10 and we will send out all the booking procedures in our next Leadership Update. We look forward to the opportunity for our students to reflect on their learning with their families and teachers.

Assembly

We have now held 2 assemblies, with the last one being back in the hall, finally. It is very nice to be able to congregate in bigger numbers due to the easing of COVID restrictions over the last few weeks. We are excited that we can now allow a small portion of parents to attend as long as we stick to the regulations around social distancing and COVID protocols. This means we will be able to invite the parents of the class presenting. A list of attendees must be collated in the front office prior to assembly to check numbers and a section set out with seating spaced appropriately.

Signage

Look what is new on our fence line.



Kind regards,
Paul and Jackie