



Term 3 / Week 8 3 September 2021

### Kookaburra Gazette



#### Dates to remember

| Term 3 2021 | Learning from Home continues                                |  |
|-------------|---|--|
| 6to10 -9-21 | SASS Recognition Week – Supporting our School Community     |  |
| 9-9-2021    | R U OK? Day.  |  |
| 14-9-21     | Crazy hair and sock day                                     |  |
| 17-9-2021   | End of Term 3   |  |
| Term 4 2021 | Learning from Home continues                                |  |
| 4-10-2021   | Labour Day (public holiday)                                 |  |
| 5-10-2021   | First day back of learning from home for students and staff |  |
|             | World Teachers' Day   |  |
| 13-10-2021  | P&C Meeting (online) 7:00pm                                 |  |
| 15-10-2021  | Tell Them from Me surveys close.                            |  |
| 4-11-2021   | Kindergarten Orientation (TBC)                              |  |
| 10-11-2021  | Kindergarten Orientation (TBC)                              |  |
| 17-11-2021  | P&C Meeting (online) 7:00pm                                 |  |
|             | Back up date for Kindergarten Orientation (TBC)             |  |
| 8-12-2021   | Presentation day (Recorded for parents)                     |  |



#### <u>Virtual Book Week Parade</u>

Thank you to all a Virtual Book Week parade on Tuesday 24 August 2021. The theme for Book Week this year is 'Old worlds, New worlds, Other worlds.

Please press this link to view our <u>virtual</u> book parade.

It's amazing to see how resourceful our parents/carers and students are during an extended "Stay at Home".

Deep appreciation is extended to Mrs Leavold and Mrs Shields for organising and collating the book week parade.

#### **Learning From Home – Thank you**

Thank you yet again to our wonderful and appreciative school community. Your support in following the NSW Health orders has been outstanding, especially after such a long time. We really appreciate all of the positive feedback that you have been sharing with the staff. If there is anything the school can do to assist you, please reach out.

As we all learn to adjust to this extended new normal, please know that we are here to support you and your children. If there is any other help you need, please contact your child's teacher. If you have a confidential issue that you would like to discuss, please email the school and ask for the relevant staff member to contact you.

I know from the wonderful feedback that you have been providing, that you appreciate how hard the staff are working to support your children and you. I am so proud of all of our staff and they continue to inspire me with their tenacity and dedication. The staff thrive on hearing your positive feedback, so please keep it coming!

Best wishes and stay safe, Michael Duffy

#### **Roadmap to Return to Face-to-Face Learning**

#### Updated 12:30 pm 27 August 2021

Last week the NSW government announced that schools in our area will return to face-to-face learning either through a 'staged return.'

#### Staged return (Level 3 plus)

When stay-at-home rules are still in place but other community vaccination and transmission conditions are met, students will return to school in a staged way. This is a staggered return for **prioritised** cohorts, with no mingling or on-site activities. While at school, face masks are required in all indoor and outdoor settings for all students in Year 7 and above. Masks are strongly recommended for primary (K-6) students.

Students will return to face-to-face learning with NSW Health-approved COVID-safe settings on school sites in the following order:

- from 25 October Kindergarten and Year 1
- from 1 November Years 2, 6 and 11
- from 8 November Years 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Students in Year 12 and those completing their HSC are already able to return in a limited way and this will continue for the remainder of Term 3. From 25 October, these students will have full-time access to school campuses and their teachers.

Local government areas (LGAs) and suburbs of concern operating under Level 4 plus restrictions will continue learning from home until they are removed from the areas of concern.

There are probably a lot of questions that you have about this. The logistics are currently being discussed by the departmental officials and I will keep you up to date as the information is shared.

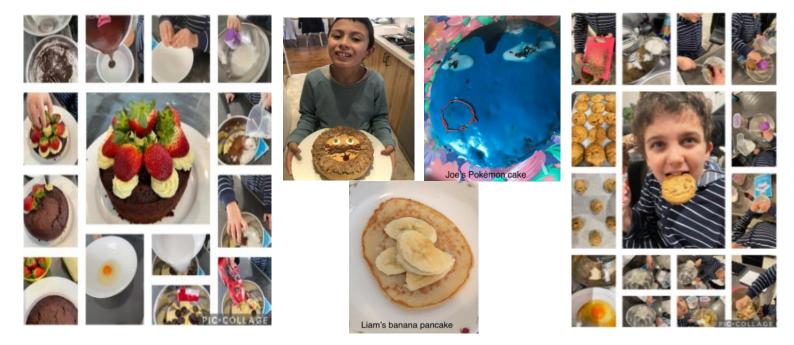
#### **Vaccinations**

Students 12 to 15 are eligible to get vaccinated if they meet the following criteria:

- children with specified medical conditions
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander children
- children in remote communities, as part of community outreach vaccination programs
- National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) participant, or living with disability requiring frequent assistance
  with activities of daily living, including down syndrome, muscular dystrophy, traumatic brain and spinal cord
  injury, and severe intellectual disability.

Bookings can be made via the <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility Checker</u>. In the event that a vaccination program is implemented for primary-school-aged children in NSW public schools, informed consent will be sought from the child's parents or carers before any vaccine is administered. For more information, please click on the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>Vaccine Eligibility Checker</u> link.

#### K/6A Have Been Learning Measurements at Home Through Baking Lot of Treats.



#### **Tell Them from Me Parents, Student and Teacher surveys**

The second snapshot for Tell Them from Me is now open and includes the student, parent and teacher surveys. The survey window will remain open until Friday 15 October (Week 2, Term 4). The survey is conducted entirely online using smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

It is important that we have different points of view about our school:

**Parent Survey:** Please take ten minutes to complete the Tell Them from Me Parent Survey. Your responses are confidential and the school only receives collated data.

The link to the parent survey is: http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/miranda21

Completing these surveys will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

**Student Survey:** All students in Years 4, 5 and 6 are asked to complete the second student survey so we can learn about the children's experiences with school. Please note that this is not a test. Next week, class teachers will begin sending individual passwords to the students so they can access the survey.

Parents and carers may assist students in reading the survey questions, as long as **their child's point of view** is submitted. When your children have received their logon details, they can complete the survey at <a href="mailto:nsw.tellthemfromme.com">nsw.tellthemfromme.com</a>

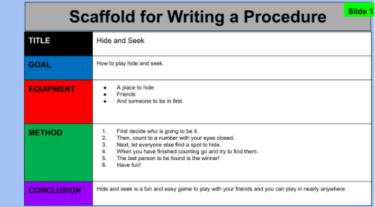
If you do <u>not</u> want your child to participate in the survey, please complete the non-consent form at the end of this newsletter, or inform your child's teacher. Please click here to read the non-consent form in <u>different languages</u>.

**Teacher Survey:** All of the teachers are asked to complete the survey as well.

The survey questions cover similar topics, but are suited for each group. All data is completely confidential – The school only sees the final collated report. No one in the school will see any individual answers. For more information, please click on this link to the Tell Them From Me website.

#### Stage 2

Stage 2 have been focusing on procedures in their writing and were challenged to write instructions and rules for a game that others could play.



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Rounding is a very useful skill when we want an estimate. An answer that is an estimate, is not exact, but is reasonable which means it is very close to the exact answer.

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Dylan bought stir-fry noodles and an orange juice.
 Michelle bought a muffin and sushi rolls.

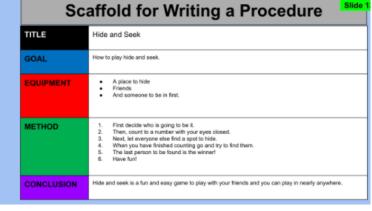
Julia bought a bottle of water and souvlaki.

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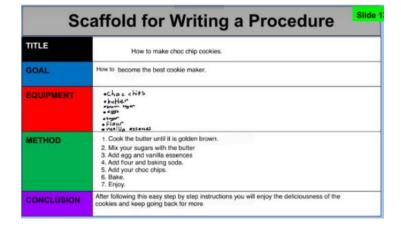
Lucy 3/4M

#### Wednesday: Sentence Work

Choose 10 of your spelling words to write in full sentences (Remember capital letters and full stops).

- 1. "Let's discover something new!" I said.
- 2. Doing stuff by yourself is good for me.
- 3. There are 12 month in a year.
- 4. We had to wait 3 hours at the station for the train to come.
- 5. "Lets measure height" I said.
- 6. What ice-cream flavour do you want?
- 7. My house light is electric.
- I walked silently towards my dog to scare him.
- We ran through the tunnel.
- 10. What is the distance between my house and your house?

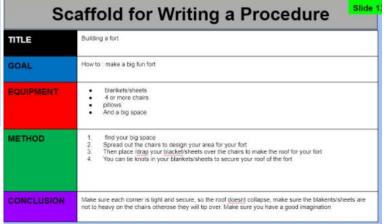
Sohma 3/4W



Jannah 3/4W

| TITLE      | How to play Connect 4 - Grab & Go  |
|------------|--|
| GOAL       | To be the first player to get four of your colour counters in a row - horizontally, vertically or diagonally.  |
| EQUIPMENT  | Playing grid with trays 21 yellow counters 21 red counters   |
| METHOD     | First, place the girld between two players.     Next, decide who plays first.     Next, players alternate turns.     Next, on your turn - drop your counter down any slot in the girld.     Then, the first player to get four of their colour counters in a row - horizontally, vertically or diagonally - wins. If there is a tie, play again. |
| CONCLUSION | This is a great game that you can take with you anywhere and play at anytime.  |

Aarnikah 2/3C



Tanirau 2/3C

With the Olympic over, Stage 2 have turned their focus to the Paralympics. The students enjoyed writing about the Paralympics using a Pobble image to prompt their imagination.

#### Monday: Pobble- 100 Words

Create a short story using the picture to guide your thinking about the Paralympic games.



Your Story: crash went the paralympic players in their wheelchairs and everyone was yelling in their seats it was a big day and then it was finished and they all went home the next day they did another one but that day they were pumped and then they were on.they were parsing the ball to each other and it was better than yesterday because they were trained through the night and they got so many goals and won it was amazing and talented when it was done they were happy that day was done and ended and everyone wanted to celebrate.

Jazz 3/4W

#### Monday: Pobble- 100 Words

Create a short story using the picture to guide your thinking about the Paralympic games.



Your Story: Pass! Pass! Yelled out Jannick. But the ball did not come, he just had to get the ball and shoot. He started spinning his wheel faster and faster until he gets the ball. Now he finally got the ball and shot! The ball was gliding through the air. YEEAAH! Shouted the fan and they scored a point. But the game hasn't end yet, they were still 1 point behind the other team Jannick did the same thing when the same rhythm happened before and he scored 3 goals. And they finally won the game, then they earned their gold medals, Hooray!

Sohma 3/4W

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Your Story: The Paralympics is after the Olympics and the Paralympics is people who have disability and still want to do sport and also there is 22 sports there is basketball goalball archery and many more And in the pic u sent me there was 2 men and 1 of the men pushed the other men also there were on a wheel chair and I think they were playing basketball but I am not very sure they were playing basketball anyways they were on different teams but they were wearing the same number on the back of there uniform maybe that was by acticident.

Jade 3/4W

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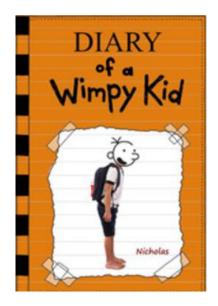
our Story:

I saw the enemy. He had the ball. I wheeled up to him. He was about to shoot. But I saved the ball from going into the hoop. I caught the ball and passed it to Jerry. Jerry passed it to Tom. I tried to move my way up to the other end of the court, but No. 10 was blocking me. I moved, but he moved as well. Then Tom passed the ball to me. I had nothing else to do but shoot. With all my might, I shot. The ball spun into the hoop. We won the championship.

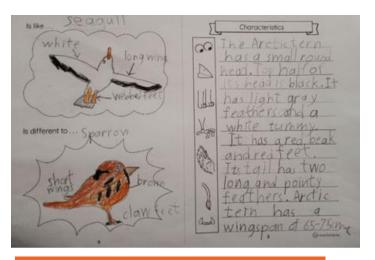
Zane 3/4W

#### **Book Week Film**

There were some amazing posters sent in for book week.







Saturn is named after the Roman god Saturnus. It was spotted by Galileo through his telescope in 1610







#### **Book Week Parade**



Norah 1/2

#### School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week (6-10 September)



Our SASS staff make an invaluable contribution in *Supporting* our *School Community* and thus, *Supporting our School Community* is an appropriate theme for 2021.

These wonderful people quietly get on with keeping the school running so your children's teachers have more time to focus on the core business of teaching and learning.

If you or your children would like to send a message to thank any or all of our SASS team members, I'm sure that they'd be

deeply appreciative. Even though we are working from home, they are working just as hard as ever! Our SASS team include:

- Administration Team: Mrs Williams (school administration manager), Mrs Catlett (school administration officer SAO), Mrs Galea (SAO), Mrs Robinson (relieving SAO/SLSO) and Mr Cameron (general assistant).
- School Learning Support Officers (SLSOs): Mrs Hefren, Mrs Mears, Mrs Toohey, Mrs Toutjouni, Mrs
  Hristopanos, Mrs Feeney, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Stevenson, Mrs Graham, Mrs Silveira, Mrs Rosten and Mrs
  Garvey.

Messages can be sent to class teachers or the school email will be forwarded on your behalf.

# K-6 CRAZY HAIR & SOCK DAY

Wear your craziest hair and/or socks and join the end of term fun.

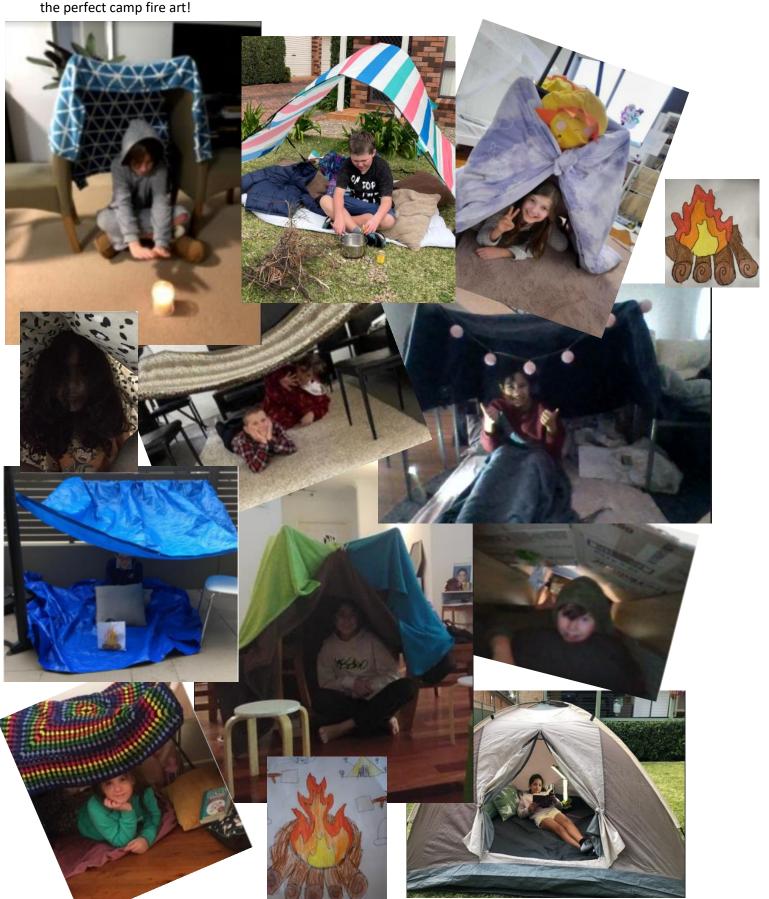
Send your best photo to your teacher.

## Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September



# Stage 3 Virtual Camp

Stage 3 have not let lockdown stop them from enjoying some of the fun of camp! During Week 7, our learning activities had a school camp theme as we all worked together to build our resilience and have some fun despite missing camp this term. We created our own camp sites, wrote newspaper articles, journals and letters, learnt about the science of the "big swing", worked collaboratively to build a Minecraft version of camp and learnt how to make the perfect camp fire art!







Camp bus area









Camp playground

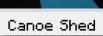
High Ropes Course

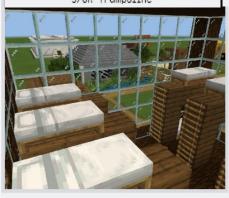
















Bunk beds

Bella's Campsite

#### **Opportunity Class Placement Test delayed**

As a result of the most recent advice from NSW Health regarding the duration of COVID-19 restrictions and the return to school plan, the Opportunity Class Placement Test scheduled for 6 October 2021 has been delayed. New testing arrangements for students will be announced as soon as possible.

#### **Contacting Our School**

Due to the *stay at home* order from NSW Health, there is only enough staff to provide minimal supervision for students who need to be at school. This means that our office is staffed remotely and there may not be anyone available to answer the phone when you call.

If you need to contact the school, please contact your child's teacher or send an email to <u>miranda-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> The school emails are monitored throughout the day and forwarded on by our office team.

If you have not been receiving emails, please email the school from your preferred email address and we will update your details.

#### **Kindergarten 2022 Orientation and Open Days**

If you have not yet enrolled your child, please complete your child's online enrolment at:

https://enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/#/?schoolCode=2574

We will invite you to bring your original documentation to the office (birth certificates/passports & VISAs, immunisation and proof that you live in our local area), when all of the staff return to school.

We were hoping to confirm our orientation plans with parents at the end of this term, however, we are now waiting for confirmation on what these visits will look like and when they can take place, given the staged return announced last week.



#### R U Ok? Day is 9 September.

In the last two issues we have shared some resources to assist families coping with anxiety, depression, reduced income and other issues that have emerged, either directly or indirectly, as a result of living with COVID-19.

Remember, it's ok not to be ok, and it's important to ask for help.

Thank you to our wonderful parents and teachers in the P&C Association who have offered the following resources (below and at the back of this newsletter) for you as well and we will add these to our <u>Learning from Home</u> website for parents:

Lifeline - 13 11 14 <u>www.lifeline.org.au</u>

Kids helpline - 1800 55 1800 www.kidshelp.com.au

suicide callback service - 1300 65 94 67 www.suicidecallbackservice.org.au

Beyond Blue Support Services - 1300 22 45 36 www.beyondblue.org.au

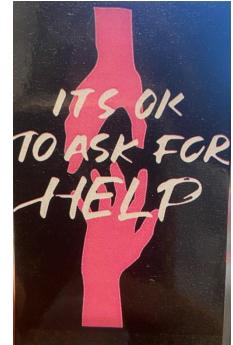
Mental Health line - 1800 01 1511

Emergency - 000

Parent line NSW - 1300 1300 52

Raisingchildren.net.au www.raisingchildren.net.au

(For families looking for ideas to break the chain of events happening in their households): <a href="https://raisingchildren.net.au/guides/activity-guides/wellbeing">https://raisingchildren.net.au/guides/activity-guides/wellbeing</a>



#### **Miranda Public School Expectations for online lessons:**

Our school is always open to self-reflection on how we can improve learning and meet our students needs. When we realised that the learning at home period was to be extended, Mrs Wilkins worked closely with our staff to develop expectations for online learning. The teachers will be discussing these with the students and we ask you to discuss them with your children:



## WE ARE SAFE, RESPECTFUL AND PROACTIVE LEARNERS DURING ZOOM AND OTHER ONLINE FORUMS



I am a safe, respectful and proactive learner during Zoom and other online forums when I meet the expectations below:

### Sit in a quiet place and be presentable.

- Find a place that is quiet. Make sure your background does not show your family's private information e.g. photos, key storage, calendars and door locks.
- Be neat and tidy. You must be wearing appropriate clothing, which includes a clean shirt, blouse or top. School uniform is not required.



#### Be on time and ready to learn.

- Join the meeting on time and with your correct name.
- · Have your materials needed close by.
- Make sure you have a responsible adult in the room with you.
- Do not move around the room.



### Have your video on and mute your audio.

- Have your camera on when entering the meeting so the teacher knows who they are speaking to and who can see them.
- · Mute your microphone.





#### Raise your hand to speak.

- When answering or asking a question, use the Raise Hand function to put your hand up.
- Wait for the teacher to ask you to unmute first, then you may speak.
- Use emojis that will enhance the learning for everyone and only when your teacher asks.

#### Use the chat function for learning.

- Only use the chat function when the teacher asks do not chat with your class members.
- The chat function may be turned off by your teacher at the beginning of the lesson.



#### Participate and be kind.

- Listen carefully and participate just as you would in your physical classroom.
- Be respectful and kind to others.



WE ARE READY TO LEARN.



# WE ARE SAFE, RESPECTFUL AND PROACTIVE LEARNERS DURING ZOOM AND OTHER ONLINE FORUMS



Everybody has the right to be in a safe, respectful and proactive online learning environment.

Teachers will remind students about the possible consequences for not respecting the safety and learning of others.

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#### **Verbal Redirect**

My teacher will give me a reminder during the lesson so I can engage appropriately in the learning.

#### Pause and Reflect

My teacher will contact my parent/carer and I will reflect on making proactive choices.

\* Warning \*

#### Take a Break

My teacher will remove me from the Zoom session. The Assistant Principal will then contact my parent/carer. \* Final Warning \*

#### Synergised Conversation

The Assistant Principal or Principal will contact my parent/carer. I will be removed from online forums until further notice. A possible suspension might be recorded against my name.

We want your feedback so please email the school if you have any further suggestions.

#### **Tell Them From Me Student Suvey**

**Dear Parents and Carers** 



This term, our school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed online and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar** which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete.

This survey will help out school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please return the attached form or inform your child's class teacher by Wednesday 8 September.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English at <a href="education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm">education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm</a></a>
Michael Duffy

Principal

Miranda Public School

#### Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey non-consent form

If you <u>do not want</u> your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school by Wednesday 8 September 2021.

I DO NOT give consent for my child/children to participate in the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey.

| Name of student 1    | Roll class of student 1 |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Name of student 2    | Roll class of student 2 |
| Name of parent/carer | Signature  Date         |



# supporting young people during COVID-19

headspace National is hosting free mental health education sessions for parents and carers of young people in NSW to support their mental health.

The session aims to:

- Strengthen your understanding of mental health and mental health literacy.
- Strengthen understanding and skills in how to cope and where to find help.
- Build skills and strategies to support the mental health and wellbeing of your young person, including their transition to work and study.
- Build awareness of local, state and national supports available to young people.

#### How do I register?

Click here to register via Eventbrite, or type the URL below into your web browser: headspace.org.au/covid-19/

After you have registered, you will receive an email confirmation from Eventbrite which will include the Zoom meeting link to access the webinar. These sessions will not be recorded.

You will receive a digital information pack following the conclusion of the session.

#### Contact

For more information email: headspaceSchools@headspace.org.au





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#### FREE & LOW COST FOOD

#### MONDAY

St John's Sutherland Hall - Ph: 9521 4314

43a Belmont St, Sutherland

Mobile Community Pantry (\$10 BYO bag)

1:30pm to 2:30pm (every 2 nd Monday from 1/3/21)

St John Bosco Church - Ph: 9520 8277

46 Waratah Rd (cnr Banksia Ave), Engadine

Free grocery/fruit/bread

6:45pm

#### TUESDAY

One Meal Sutherland Shire @ SALVOS Miranda

23 Kiora Rd, Miranda - Ph: 0478 478 464

Operating as take away meal

5:00pm to 6:00pm

#### WEDNESDAY

Southside Care Miranda - Ph: 9522 4300

175 Port Hacking Rd, Miranda

Free produce/bread/grocery -BYO bags all welcome

12:30pm to 4:00pm

#### THURSDAY

Urban Food Care Menai - Ph: 9532 1622

13/800 Old Illawarra Rd, Menai (next to Vulcan Gym)

Low cost food/grocery/fruit/vegs

5:00pm to 7:00pm (includes free BBQ dinner)

One Meal Sutherland Shire @ REVIVE Church

11 Gosport St, Cronulla - Ph: 0478 478 464

Operating as take away meal

5:30pm to 6:30pm

#### FRIDAY

Urban Food Care Menai - Ph: 9532 1622

13/800 Old Illawarra Rd, Menai (next to Vulcan Gym)

Low cost food/grocery/fruit/vegs

9:30am to 11:30am (includes free morning tea)

St Phil's Anglican Church/Anglicare partnership

402 Port Hacking Rd, Caringbah - Ph: 8536 4222

Mobile Food Pantry (\$10 for \$50 worth of food)

1-30pm to 2-30pm (every 2 nd Friday)

#### SATURDAY/SUNDAY

SUNDAY @ One Meal Sutherland

816 Old Princess Hwy, Sutherland - Ph: 0478 478 464

Operating as take away meal

4:00pm to 5:00pm

#### FOOD PARCELS

Hopefield

www.hopefield.org.au - Ph: 9545 0299

Food parcels - Available by appointment

Orana

www.oranansw.org.au - Ph: 9521 8280

Food parcels - Available by appointment

#### COUNSELLING/LEGAL/SUPPORT

#### COVID19 ALL SERVICE LIST NOTICE:

Current NSW Public Health Orders have changed the way services listed below are able to provide support. Some changes include appointment only/ specific hours or service via phone/Zoom. Please contact the service via details listed below, prior to attending their office, as they may be closed.

#### GENERAL COUNSELLING

| Orana Hub Central    | 9521 8280 |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Orana Women's Health | 9525 2058 |
| Enough Is Enough     | 9542 4029 |
| Hopefield            | 9545 0299 |

#### FIANANCE & GAMBLING COUNSELLING

| Salvation Army | 1800 722 363 |
|----------------|--------------|
| Wesley Mission | 1300 827 638 |

#### LEGAL AID CIVIL MATTERS

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| Orana Hub Central                   | 9521 8280 |
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#### FAMILY LAW ADVICE

| Orana Women's Health 95 | 525 | 2058 |
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#### IMMIGRATION ADVICE

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| Gymea Community Aid  | 9524 9559 |
| Cyrilea Committee And  | 2227 2222 |

#### SAFE & HEALING PROGRAM

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#### FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE / TRAUMA COUNSELLING

Crossroads Community Care Centre 95253790

#### FIND LEGAL ANSWERS

www.legalanswers.sl.nsw.gov.au/advice/index.html

#### LIFELINE - 13 11 14

24 hour crisis support

#### EAPA / WORK DEVELOPMENT ORDER

Crossroads Community Care Centre 9525 3790

Know of changes or want to be added to the mailing list?

Please contact Karen Williamson Crossroads Community Care Centreph: 9525 3790 or communitybuilders@crossroadscommunitycare.org.au

# RUDK! Day

A matrix to help students and families celebrate R U OK? Day on September 9th no matter where they are!

This an Empowering Learning Together Resource

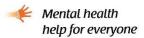
| Create a FlipGrid Video telling some jokes. Send it to a family member or friend to make them smile!   | Draw a mindmap of<br>your support network<br>and people you can<br>go to for support.   | Make a poster to<br>promote R U OK?<br>Day. Put it up<br>somewhere so others<br>can see it.   | Draw a chalk<br>drawing on your<br>driveway or nearby<br>foothpath to<br>brighten up<br>someone else's day!       |
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| THE STATE OF THE S | Make a Warm Fuzzies jar. Decorate the jar and add pieces of paper with things you love about each family member or your class mates.      | Interview a grown up about R U OK? Day. Ask them for some ideas of what you could say to a friend who was not feeling ok.                       | Learn some breathing exercises to help you relax when you are feeling upset or worried.                           |
| Do some yoga with<br>Cosmic Kids. Create<br>some of your own<br>moves.   | Create a space just for you. Add your favourite books, activities, colouring in or drawing materials you like to explore and create with. | Create a 'happy<br>dance' to your<br>favourite song. Video it<br>and share it with your<br>teacher or a family<br>member who lives far<br>away. | Make some positive<br>affirmation cards.<br>I am grateful for<br>I am proud of<br>I feel calm when<br>My smile is |
| Make a care package<br>with a card, craft<br>and/or little gift to give<br>to a friend or family<br>member to show you<br>are thinking of them.  | Take a walk in nature and collect some items that make you happy. Create a sensory nature table at home and add to it each day.           | Cut out some pictures from a magazine and create a collage showing different emotions you have experienced.                                     | Make a life size 'hug'<br>and send it to<br>someone special.  |

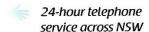




### Connecting you with the right care







Access to a mental health professional

Connection with local care services

Support for carers and professionals

People in a life-threatening situation should phone 000. Calls from landlines are free but charges may apply from mobiles.





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#### **Pandemic Fatigue**

While we can all experience pandemic fatigue in different ways, it is possible to counter its effects. Look out for some of these signs in yourself and those around you and take practical steps to be kind to yourself, stay connected, check in with each other, and seek professional support when needed.

Some of the feelings and behaviours you, or someone you know may be experiencing include;

- Low in energy
- Restlessness

- Difficulty looking forward
- → Not wanting to be with others
- Increased use of alcohol or other substances
- Lack of enthusiasm for things you would normally enjoy

Some of the most effective ways to overcome these feelings include:





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If at any time you feel overwhelmed by any feelings, it is important that you talk to someone you trust. A GP, family member or friend, or make contact with any

of the services (available 24/7) below: Coronavirus Mental Wellbeing Support Services: 1800 512 348

Lifeline: 13 11 14

Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800 www.headtohealth.gov.au