

South Creek Connect



Dear Parents & Carers,

This is a challenging time for our South Creek School community. Staff, carers and parents may be worried about the health of family and friends. We are also certainly worried about what the future holds.

These are very normal reactions to the changes in our lives due to the new lockdowns that we are currently having to abide by. It's not uncommon to be impacted by disruption to our routines and disengagement from others. It is important that we are kind to ourselves and each other and remember that we are all in this together to keep our students, staff and families safe!

South Creek School staff are working above and beyond right now to support our students and their families. I want to thank you each of our staff for their efforts. The phone calls home and activities on Seesaw have been amazing!

I would also like to thank our incredible parents for keeping students home wherever possible to help in the quest to keep students and our community safe. Parents are doing a terrific job helping students' complete activities on Seesaw or help them access educational songs or videos from home! There will be a skeleton staff on site each day for students who do need it. Here are just some of our Learning From Home superstars!



Colouring Competition

We invite students to post back their completed colouring in by next Friday so we can determine a winner. Hand over hand assistance is absolutely fine and siblings are welcome to help too! Please post your colouring into the school or you can pop it in our letter box if you are going to be nearby doing any essential shopping or health care. Winners will be announced in the Week 4 newsletter!



SIGNING

We have two new signs to learn and practice together at home. Carrie-Ann has shared two videos, the first teaches us the sign for- 'I'. The second video Carrie-Ann teaches us the sign- 'in'.

Explaining the concepts of H.O.L.M

You



AWARDS

Congratulations to our Week 2 award recipients! For

Seesaw Star Awards for learning from home	
Aiden	Maroon Class
Shonit	Yellow Class
Mikayla, Nimit and Kelvin	Blue Class
Vlan	Red Class
Kofi and Aurora	Pink Class
Ryan and Japneet	Lime Class
Zoey	Teal Class



OVERALL CLASS WINNERS ARE:

“NAVY CLASS”

With over 201 posts of work from the students from at home!!!

Teacher Professional Learning

In between contacting families and working on Seesaw, teachers and non teaching staff have been busy participating in an enormous amount of Professional Learning. The entire staff have completed a three hour on line training session on Positive Behaviour for Learning to support our three school wide expectations of 'Be Safe', 'Be a Friend' and 'Be a Learner'. Staff have also completed many courses by Positive Partnerships including 'Communication and Autism'.

Today Deputy Principal Louise Brown and Principal Michelle Said will be completing a live on line training session on the Importance of the Learning and Support Team. Learning and Support Teams are essential to providing for the unique needs of each of our learners so we are looking very forward to improving the effectiveness of our team at South Creek School!

QR Codes and Mask Wearing

Rest assured that all staff who are on site are wearing masks at school and signing in using the QR code. Anyone who enters the school gate (except students) are required to wear a mask at all times. If you leave your car for any reason you **MUST** be wearing a mask and sign in using the QR code that is located at all entrances to South Creek School.



School Community Wellbeing During Lockdown

Visit the department's [Care and Connect](#) pages for information, advice and resources for teachers, students and parents and carers on how to care for yourself as well as look out for others.

HELPFUL WEBITES FOR AT HOME LEARNING LEARNING

Here are some links to websites that support learning from home. The following resources are free to use. Some offer the option to login.

ABC Kids Early Education

Videos and activities linked to early childhood learning topics.

[Parent resource for ABC Kids Early Education](#)

BBC Bitesize

Equivalent to the ABC Education website this resource has videos, games and content supporting all learners in all subjects. [Parent resource for BBC Bitesize](#)

CBeebies

Website for a BBC TV show. Some video clips may not play outside of the UK but the site also contains games, music and craft activities. [Parent resource for CBeebies](#)

coolprogeny

Find the Cool fun at home lessons under the Learn and Create tabs for hands on activities to do with your child. [Parent resource for coolprogeny](#)

KidLit

US site focused on making reading fun. Contains videos, reading activities and craft projects. [Parent resource for KidLit TV](#)

National Geographic – Kids

Teaching ideas and resources for a wide range of topics. If you register you are able to download activities but the site is free to use and you do not have to create a login.

[Parent resource for PBS Kids](#)

Storyline Online

Literacy focused website containing video of quality texts read aloud by actors. Teacher created activities are associated with each video but some also have a parent activity guide.

Stay well and stay safe.

Regards,

Michelle Said

Principal