



Term 2 Week 4
Wednesday 20th May 2020
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DIARY DATES

TERM 2	2020
Thursday 21 st May	Students in Mackinnon attend school
Monday 25 th May	ALL STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FULL TIME

P&F ZOOM MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

As large adult gatherings are still not possible, the next P&F Meeting will be held via Zoom. The details are listed below:

Tuesday 26th May 7-8:30pm

Please see the Skoolbag sent out earlier today with the login link.

We look forward to seeing you!

HAPPY INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF DAY!!

Last Saturday was a day to recognise and thank the Support Workers in our school – thank you to all those who support us – Miss Susan, Miss Stacey, Mrs Karam, Mrs Muir, Mrs Sabat, Mrs Woods, Mrs Lupis and Mr Barry!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Over the past week and a half, we have welcomed back our students in their House Colour groups for their onsite day of learning. Your ongoing co-operation and support has been exceptional and we are most grateful for all you have done in supporting your child at home and as they transition back to full time learning at school.

As communicated yesterday, students in NSW will return to full time face to face learning from Monday of next week. The whole team at St Mary's is very excited by this news and we look forward to seeing the students next week (and of course **Mackinnon House** tomorrow)!

Specific details of arrangements and information about this return will be communicated as soon as possible. These arrangements will include physical distancing for adults when collecting and dropping off children – please continue to follow these very important guidelines.

Finally, as we head back to something that will look like 'normal' I wish to thank the dedicated team of teachers and support staff at St Mary's. Over the past 8 weeks they have pivoted their work to support students and families in ways we never thought possible or required. I am amazed at their creativity and perseverance in a time of great uncertainty and unpredictability. Thank you also to all our parents and carers for your support and encouragement at this time.

Together, we are getting through this.

Take care.

Richard Blissenden
PRINCIPAL

CENTRE FOR EMOTIONAL HEALTH –

have a live [COVID-19: We've Got This Covered!](#) website. This site is the result of an amazing collaboration between the Centre for Emotional Health and the School of Education at Macquarie University. It is an important collection of strategies and tips to support parents, carers, teachers and educators alike in helping to manage anxiety in children during COVID-19. You can help promote the COVID-19 website with the hashtag #WeveGotThisCovered. The website can be accessed from the above link or via this link <https://www.mq.edu.au/research/research-centres-groups-and-facilities/healthy-people/centres/centre-for-emotional-health-ceh/covid-19-weve-got-this-covered!>

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Monday Assembly for the students is now recorded and shared via Seesaw and Google Classroom. To view all the Assemblies for this term simply ask you child to show you the videos!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



May 22	Sarayah A
May 23	Zion K Aidan M
May 24	Amanda B
May 25	Lucas L
May 26	Tristan McV

We would like to wish all of these children a very happy birthday!!

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2021 ...

Do you have a child to enrol in Kindergarten 2021?

The Enrolment Process has changed during COVID-19. The process includes your return of the Enrolment Application with the following documents:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptism Certificate
- Immunisation History Statement (visit www.medicareaustralia.gov.au or call 1800 653 809 and request your statement)
- Passport with visa (if not Australian Citizens)

It is essential that **both parents/guardians sign** the different sections of the Enrolment Application. Your prompt return of this form will be appreciated. Families will be contacted for an interview time in Term 3 or 4. Offers of enrolment, conditional on an interview, are made once Enrolment Applications and supporting documents have been received and finalised. For those children who have a diagnosis of learning difficulties we ask that you provide the school with the appropriate report from the specialist or other practitioner. In that way we can ensure that the appropriate resources and support are in place for entry into school. We will contact you with regard to meeting you and your child to support their needs prior to them starting in 2021. For further Information and enquiries, please contact the school office on 8844 5700.

DID YOU SEE THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD?



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOME EXTRA INCOME?

The **Box Divvy** team are looking for someone to take over the Ermington Hub. This is a fruit and vegetable co-op and the coordinator has recently gained full-time employment. So, there is an opportunity for a Rydalmere / Ermington Family to take on this role. It only requires a few hours a week, and a space to pack on a Tuesday. The fruit and vegetables are amazing quality and come straight from the farm, so it is a great cost saving for families too.

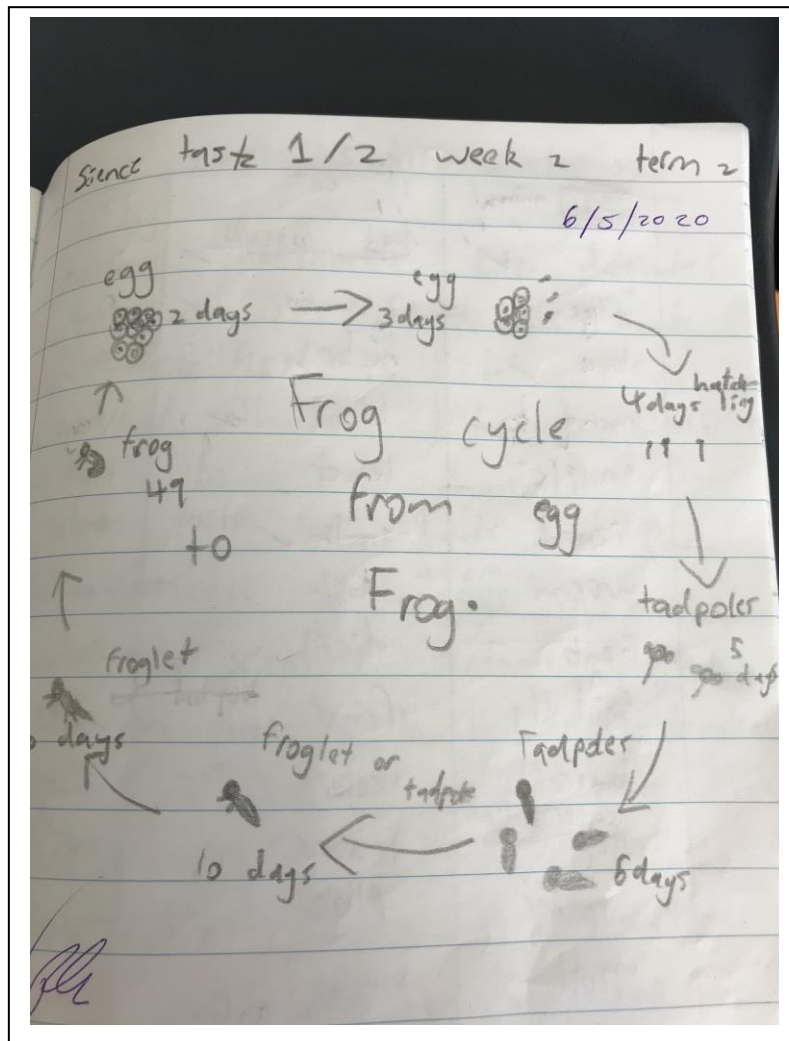
If you or you know someone who has 3 hours a week to run the Hub, a space to pack, some Facebook savvy and would like to earn some income from doing it then please look at <https://www.boxdivvy.com/run-a-food-hub>

And to register for running the Hub at <https://www.boxdivvy.com/register-to-run-a-hub>

We take you through the ordering system from the Hubster viewpoint and get you trained with Nicole .

iLEARN @HOME... YEAR 2

Year 2 have been doing some wonderful work during iLearn@Home. This is the "Life Cycle of a Frog" by Anahita W from 2FM.



We would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to all of the wonderful children, parents and other care givers for the fantastic work that has been done during this very strange time.

We look forward to welcoming back all the children next Monday 25th May. Enjoy the rest of your week.

See you on Monday!