



Heights Happenings

Winston Heights Newsletter

TERM 1

WEEK 8

Dear Parents,

COVID-19 and Changes at School

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers for remaining calm during these difficult circumstances that we all find ourselves in. It is extremely important to read the letters coming home so you are fully aware of what is happening with regards to school and operations. Whilst we have had to cancel or modify many activities and events at school, we are continuing to run school as close to normal routines as possible. The children remain happy and are continuing their learning.

Staff are planning modified lessons and activities that can be completed at home should schools be told to close. In the meantime teachers are teaching their regular lessons to children who are at school. If parents decide to keep their children at home they should ensure they keep their children learning by providing them with suitable activities for their ability. In yesterday's update letter I spoke about what parents should be using for lessons. NSW Health's recommendation to the Government is that schools remain open. We have hand sanitizers in every room and students are washing their hands regularly. All bathrooms have soap and are checked regularly to ensure they are stocked. Talking to your children about their own hygiene is extremely important.

Today a letter will go home with all students regarding Google Classroom and how to access this from home. Students in Years 3-6 are familiar with this platform already. To access this, students will need to know their Department of Education login details. K-2 students will receive a copy of theirs today so that parents are able to assist with this should students need to learn from home.

P&C AGM and Special Meetings for Parent Organisations

All meetings have been postponed at this time. When new dates are set, once NSW Health and Department of Education have made recommendations, the community will be notified.

Olympathon

Our Olympathon will be rescheduled for Term 3. The weather will be similar to our current weather to enable all planned activities to be undertaken then. In early Term 3 we will resend out notes and sponsorship forms. If students have already sent in their form and sponsorship money it will be held until Term 3.

School Photos – Monday 16th March

School photos went ahead as planned on Monday. If you have any questions regarding photos please contact MSP directly on Ph: 98315505

Canteen

The Canteen Committee have received some interesting questions recently. Here are the answers.

Q - "What happens when a child comes to the canteen with no lunch order or can't find their lunch order?" A – If a student has no recess or lunch from home or a lunch order, they can still get something to eat. Students let their class teacher know who then send them to the office. The office will provide a recess/lunch Request Form that the student can then take to the canteen. The volunteers will make up a basic sandwich (jam, vegemite, honey or cheese) for lunch. For recess they can have either a pikelet, raisin toast, fresh or frozen fruit. An invoice will be sent home with the child and prompt payment of this would be appreciated.

Q – “What happens when a parent calls in realising their child does not have lunch?” A – The canteen will provide a basic sandwich for the child and an invoice will be sent home and prompt payment is appreciated. The Canteen does not offer any cooked food or drinks for phone orders.

Q- “What if my child does not receive their lunch order?” A – If a child has not received their lunch order, they are also asked to see their classroom teacher and then they will be sent to the office. The volunteers will try to find out what may have gone wrong. If the lunch order was on FlexiSchools this is easier to track than a cash order. The order may have been put in the wrong basket or may not have had the student’s name on it. Most times the problem is sorted, but if not, the volunteers can still make up a sandwich for the student.

Thank you to our Canteen volunteers for giving of your time to provide a service to our students.

Harmony Day

It was great to see the children dressed in National Dress or wearing orange for Harmony Day yesterday. While we couldn’t have our Parade of Nations the children still discussed Harmony Day and what it means. The students have also been hard at work painting their rocks to place in the “Everyone Belongs” path that will be laid soon. Each rock shows that everyone is unique and while we are unique we all belong to this community.

Crazy Hair Day

Today Ruby and Leroy both shaved off their hair in support of people with Leukaemia in the Worlds Greatest Shave. The students and staff had some crazy hair styles this morning. The Winston Heights PS students raised \$313.20 towards the cause. Leroy and Ruby will let us know their final fundraising totals at a later date.

Cupcake Day Cancelled

While we were hoping to let this activity run we unfortunately need to cancel this. The Music Committee are trying to come up with another fun alternative option for our students and we will keep you informed when we have further details.

Planting

A special thank you to the mum who answered our call yesterday and came in today to assist with planting. The garden is looking great.

Winter Uniforms

Next term all students are to wear their winter uniform to school each day. The uniform shop is open every Wednesday morning from 8:30-10am. If you require more winter uniforms it is advisable to logon to Flexischools and place your order as soon as possible to ensure you receive your items ready for next term.

Kind regards,

Margaret Creagh

Principal



**Not Like That,
Like This!**



S2G's Assembly Item





News from our *Library*



Our subscription to World Book Online including Kids, Student and Early World of Learning continues during 2020. Students have 24/7 access at school and at home. Just access through the DoE Portal to Kidspage, select Oliver Library and look for:

Online Links on the Orbit home page, it is definitely worth a look!

See info graphs below to assist you in navigating.

Login with your DoE account

User ID

Example: jane.citizen1

Password

Log in

NSW Department of Education
Kidspage
 Home
 Email
 Oliver Library
 Help
 Notifications
 Change password
 Change Colours
 Sign Out

NSW Department of Education
Student Portal
 Home
 Email
 Oliver Library
 Help
 Notifications
 Change password
 Secret Questions
 Change Colours
 Sign Out

On your OLIVER page, click **Orbit**

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On your **Orbit** page, scroll down to **Online Links**

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Videos **Games** **Stories** **Activities**



Pictures and Videos **World of Animals** **Activities** **Maps and More** **Games** **Important People** **Compare Places** **Science Dictionary Projects**

J.Hinton
Teacher Librarian

Messages from The Office

- If you child/children are absent from school ensure you complete an absent form on our school APP for each day your child/children are away.
- All PSSA shirts are to be returned to the office washed and cleaned ready for PSSA Winter sport.

Notes and Money due:

- Year 6 Jackets (Year 6) \$55 by 20th March
- Annual Fees (whole School) - by 20th March
- Senior Dance (returning Students) \$30 by 23rd March
- Easter Hat Decorations (K-2) - by 25th March
- Music Committee Stall Fundraiser - Friday 27th March
- Sydney Zoo (Years 5&6) \$25 by 26th March - **Postponed until mid year**
- Canteen Easter Hot Cross Bun Deal (K-2) - by 30th March
- Cybersafety Talk (for Parents) - by 30th March - **Postponed**

Office Hours 8.30am - 3.15pm

Mrs Lee Wood, Mrs Rachael Calvar & Mrs Carolyn Leverton



Get Office 365 For Free

Students are eligible for Office 365 Education, which includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote, Microsoft Teams plus additional classroom tools.

So don't miss out on having brilliant tools for creativity, collaboration and problem solving. This software is only available to download onto personally owned devices.

<https://nsw-students.onthehub.com/WebStore/Welcome.aspx?JSEnabled=1>

Students will need to use their **@education.nsw.gov.au** student email address to register on their first visit. To register, click on the "Sign In" link at the top of the page and then click on the REGISTER button. A verification email will be sent to your child's DEC email address. To complete the registration please click the link provided in the email.

Note: Individual students are eligible for one download per application only.

Please be aware that you must activate the product key within one month, otherwise it will expire. To extend this the activation, you will be required to pay a fee of approximately \$11 to reactivate the product key.

A help video on how to download can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rK9DcAYmWEA>

PSSA Results Round 4 - 13th March 2020

Softball Girls played Jasper Road

Won 7-3. Player of the match was Charlotte who was encouraging. The game was good. We all played great. By Alice.

Softball Boys played Jasper Road

Won 19-7. Player of the match was Cohen. He had good hits. It was an OK game. We all had ups and downs and we all played fairly. By Daniel.

Tball Girls played Jasper Road

Lost 9-28. Players of the match was Rubie & NFP as they got two people out by catching fly balls. Jasper Road were great at tagging. We learnt lots. By Lily.

Tball Boys played Jasper Road

Lost 25-8. Player of the match was Zac because he tried his hardest and was a good sportsman. Winston Heights were very encouraging of both teams. By Matthew

PSSA Results Round 4– 13th March 2020

Senior Cricket played Jasper Road.

Lost Player of the match was Blake for great batting and bowling. We played ok, but needed to get more wickets. We are getting better. By Hasan

Junior Cricket played Jasper Road.

Lost. Player of the match was Eshaan for his bowling. The game was good. We got a few wickets but still lost. We lost by about 13 runs. By Ben.

Touch Jnr Boys played Jasper Road

Won 4-1. Player of the match NFP. There were sprinklers, wet shoes and limited spaces, but we came out on top. By Mr Nico.

Touch Snr Girls played Jasper Road

Won 4-1. Players of the match were the Whole Team. They played as young men! Even thanking the other referee with maturity and conviction. By Mr Nico.

PSSA Draw

Softball/Tee Ball—**suspended until further notice**

Cricket—**suspended until further notice**

Touch—**suspended until further notice**

PSSA Winter Trials

Postponed



Diary Dates

TERM DATES 2020

Term 1 2020 Wednesday 29 January 2020 - Thursday 9th April 2020

Term 2 2020 Tuesday 28 April—Friday 3 July 2020

Term 3 2020 Tuesday 21 July—Friday 25 September 2020

Term 4 2020 Monday 12 October—Wed 16 December 2020

Please note the following diary dates may be subject to change.

Further information will be sent home closer to the event being held.

March 2020

- Mon 23rd** LINKS Year 6—**postponed**
P&C AGM Meeting 7pm— **postponed**
- Thurs 26th** K-6 Olympathon—**postponed until later in year**
Assembly—**cancelled**
- Fri 27th** Music Committee Stall Fundraiser
- Mon 30th** LINKS Year 6—**postponed**

All Band rehearsals, keyboard program and tutorials—**CANCELLED** until further notice.

All Assemblies **CANCELLED** until further notice.

PSSA **suspended** until further notice.

April 2020

- Thurs 2nd** CyberSafety-Parent Workshop - **postponed**
- Fri 3rd** Hot Cross Bun Day
Peer Support Training Day -**postponed**
- Mon 6th** Stage 3 Exc to Sydney Zoo—**postponed**
Yr 1 Exc to Woodberry Village—**cancelled**
- Wed 8th** ANZAC Day service—**cancelled**
- Thurs 9th** Easter Hat Parade & Pedlar's Market—**cancelled**

Last Day Term 1

- Tues 28th** Students return for **Term 2**
- Thurs 30th** Cross Country Carnival

May 2020

- Mon 4th** Kinder 2021 Enrolments open
- Wed 6th** Music Committee Meeting 6:30pm
- Thurs 7th** Mother's Day Muffins with Mum
- Mon 11th** Zone Cross Country Carnival
- Tues 12th** NAPLAN
- Wed 13th** NAPLAN
- Thurs 14th** NAPLAN
- Fri 15th** NAPLAN
- Mon 25th** Band Camp - **POSTPONED UNTIL NOV**
P&C Meeting 7pm



Merit Certificates

Congratulations!



Well done to these PBL Award winners who have been Safe,
Respectful & Responsible Learners

Divij KB, Harpah KB, Winston S3G, Leighton S3A, Elliot S2N,
Xavier S2N, Beau 1H & Callum 1C

AWARDED TO

WEEK 7

KB : Divij & Michael
KH : Jackson & Isha
KL : Radha & Ella
1C : Hallie & Emmeth
1H : Eddie & Caleb
1LW : Tabitha & Jake
2E : Evie & Cooper
2P : Abi & Georgina
2V : Aashna & Journii
S2F : Neek & Olivia
S2G : Leyton & Leroy
S2J : Jack & Ava
S2N : Jacob & Victoria
S3A : Campbell & Lara
S3B : Alice & Noah
S3G : Zaed & Ellie
S3L : Eshaan & Alyssa
S3P : Marcus & Svend

Library:

Super Award: Adrian & Olivia

RFF/The Studio: 1C & S2F

AWARDED TO

WEEK 8

KB : Ela & Theodore
KH : Annie & CJ
KL : Bronte & Adam
1C : Ethan & Lauren
1H : Dimitri & Lucas
1LW : Lucas & Estelle
2E : Hailey & Raphael
2P : Chloe & Evie
2V : Zarah & Eli
S2F : Aoife & Jonah
S2G : NFP & Ben
S2J : NFP & Bureen
S2N : TeTeho & Paige
S3A : Eleanor & Mya
S3B : Jackson & Amelia
S3G : Yana & Mariam
S3L : Hannah & Alistair
S3P : Cheryl & Annabelle

Library: KB & S3L

Super Award: Cohen & Suryadev

RFF/The Studio: KL & S3B

Canteen Easter 2020 Deal

As a lead up to Easter, the Canteen will be having a **HOT CROSS BUN Morning Tea Deal on Friday 3rd April.**

There will be a choice of **Classic** or **Fruitless** Hot Cross Buns.

You can just have a Hot Cross Bun for \$2.00 or there are three Drinks Deals to choose from, ranging from \$3.00–\$4.20. The Hot Cross Buns will be served at Recess time.

Please fill in the form below, tape onto a **paper bag** and return with the correct money to the canteen by lunchtime

TUESDAY 31st March. Alternatively orders can be placed via **Flexischools**, and cut-off is midnight **MONDAY 30th March.**

Thank you,
THE CANTEEN COMMITTEE



NAME:

CLASS:

CHOOSE YOUR FLAVOUR

Classic

Fruitless

DEAL A: HOT CROSS BUN only

\$2.00

DEAL B: HOT CROSS BUN with Water (\$3.00) or Just Juice (\$3.20)

Water

Apple

Water **\$3.00**

Apple Blackcurrant

Orange

Juice **\$3.20**

Orange and Mango

Paradise Punch

DEAL C: HOT CROSS BUN with Flavoured Milk

Chocolate Milk

Strawberry Milk

\$3.80

DEAL D: HOT CROSS BUN with Chill J

Sparkling Raspberry

Sparkling Grape

\$4.20

Chaplain Chat

Hi Friends,

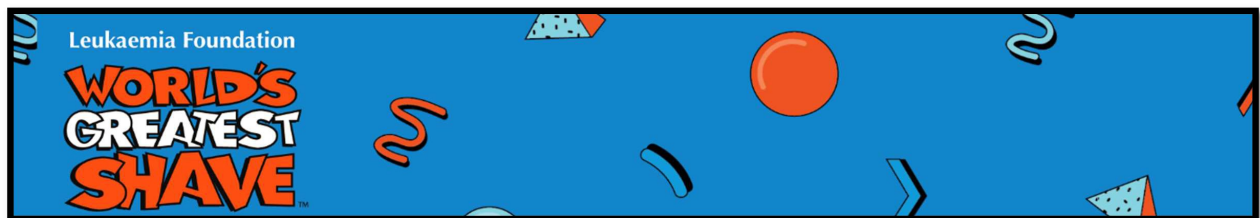
I hoped to say something deep and insightful about the situation we all find ourselves in this year. However, I think this new uncertainty and need for change is unfamiliar territory for most, if not all of us. Like you, I have watched a level of anxiety and even anger, in our community that is disturbing. Not only that, but it seems to be increasing. So, I want to share some of the really helpful advice that I have read online in the past couple of days. Please choose the links that appeal to you most, and I hope these pearls of wisdom will lighten the load that you are feeling, give you some resources to help soothe the fears of your families and help us all to be kind to each other and to ourselves. I think we really need that.



- [5 Ways to Self-Care during the Corona Virus](#)
- [Managing Corona Virus \(Covid -19\) Anxiety Meme](#)
- [Social distancing can make you lonely.](#) (Scroll to the excellent Staying Connected paragraph)

Yesterday I learnt of [a campaign to spread kindness](#) as an antidote to the negative features of this pandemic. It's enormously encouraging to see people making huge positive contributions in spite of their own concerns. Along with hand-washing, coughing into a tissue, not touching our faces and social distancing, deliberate kindness is something we all have control over. I joined up to the Kindness Pandemic Facebook page and there are many examples there. It's inspiring and offers community and joy where there was fear and isolation. Let me know what you think.

Sincerely, Robyn Bowman (School Chaplain) robyn.bowman2@det.nsw.edu.au



Before and After photo of Ruby and Leroy





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Canteen Roster

Term 1	Week 9	Monday	23rd	March	9.00am	11.30am	Andrea	
Term 1	Week 9	Monday	23rd	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Hayley (N)	
Term 1	Week 9	Monday	23rd	March	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
Term 1	Week 9	Tuesday	24th	March	9.00am	11.30am	** Help	
Term 1	Week 9	Tuesday	24th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Beth	
Term 1	Week 9	Tuesday	24th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Jodie	
Term 1	Week 9	Wednesday	25th	March	9.00am	11.30am	** Help	
Term 1	Week 9	Wednesday	25th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Kylie	
Term 1	Week 9	Wednesday	25th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Hyo	
Term 1	Week 9	Thursday	26th	March	9.00am	11.30am	Jody	
Term 1	Week 9	Thursday	26th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Rhiannon	
Term 1	Week 9	Thursday	26th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Roseanne	
Term 1	Week 9	Friday	27th	March	-	-		
Term 1	Week 9	Friday	27th	March	12.45pm	2.00pm	Belinda	
Term 1	Week 9	Friday	27th	March	-	-		
Term 1	Week 10	Monday	30th	March	9.00am	11.30am	Andrea	
Term 1	Week 10	Monday	30th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Amanda	
Term 1	Week 10	Monday	30th	March	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
Term 1	Week 10	Tuesday	31st	March	9.00am	11.30am	Andrea	
Term 1	Week 10	Tuesday	31st	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Andrea	
Term 1	Week 10	Tuesday	31st	March	11.00am	2.00pm	Amber	
Term 1	Week 10	Wednesday	1st	April	9.00am	11.30am	Kylie	
Term 1	Week 10	Wednesday	1st	April	11.00am	2.00pm	Sonja	
Term 1	Week 10	Wednesday	1st	April	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
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Term 1	Week 10	Thursday	2nd	April	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
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Term 1	Week 10	Friday	3rd	April	-	-		
Term 1	Week 10	Friday	3rd	April	12.45pm	2.00pm	Kimberley	HOT CROSS
Term 1	Week 10	Friday	3rd	April	-	-		
Term 1	Week 11	Monday	6th	April	9.00am	11.30am	Andrea	
Term 1	Week 11	Monday	6th	April	11.00am	2.00pm	Peter	
Term 1	Week 11	Monday	6th	April	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
Term 1	Week 11	Tuesday	7th	April	9.00am	11.30am	** Help	
Term 1	Week 11	Tuesday	7th	April	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
Term 1	Week 11	Tuesday	7th	April	11.00am	2.00pm	** Help	
Term 1	Week 11	Wednesday	8th	April	9.00am	11.30am	** Help	



GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Google Classroom is linked to the Department of Education's student portal. It is an online platform that can be used by teachers to support student learning in the classroom and during periods when students need to work from home. Students in Years 3-6 have been using this program at school and for homework. Our younger students will be starting to use this program as well but will require assistance through adult support at home.

All NSW Public school students have access to a google email address.
You will need this email to access your child's google account.

Your child's email address is:

_____@education.nsw.gov.au

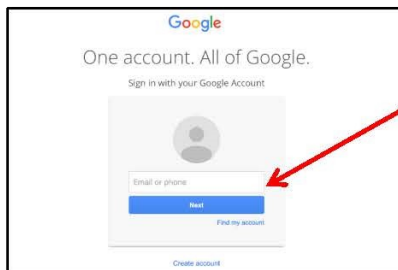
This email address allows students to access all the Google Suite applications.

HOW TO OPEN GOOGLE CLASSROOM

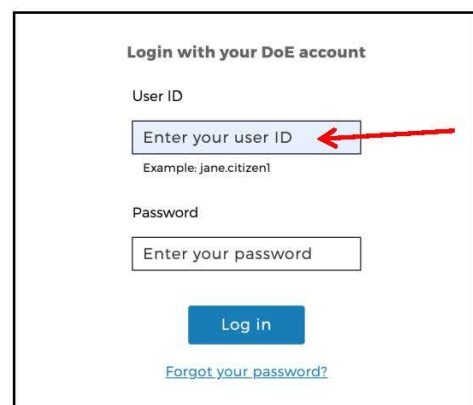
1. Open up a browser on the google homepage.
(Google Chrome works better for this)

2. Click on the Sign in button

(note: if you already have a google account active on that computer you will need to drop the menu and select add another account)



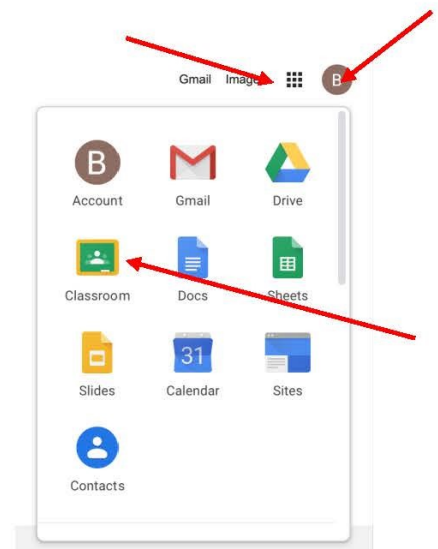
3. Enter your child's email address as listed above and select NEXT



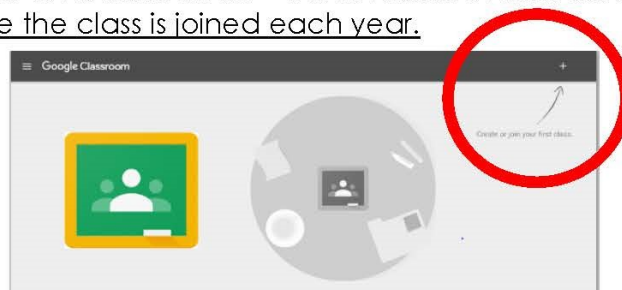
4. You will then be prompted to the Department's log in page. Enter your child's user name, this is the first part of their email. e.g. first.lastname (s/he may need to include a number if your child has one in their email) and password. Your child's password is specific to them. Years 3-6 set their own, whereas K-2 will be given a password.

5. It may ask you to confirm your address. Click 'Accept'.

6. Select log in and confirm
7. Now you will return to the google home screen. In the top right-hand corner, you will now see a coloured letter. This will be the letter of you child's first name and indicates that you are in their account.
8. Click on the apps button (this is the icon with 9 small squares) and select classroom.

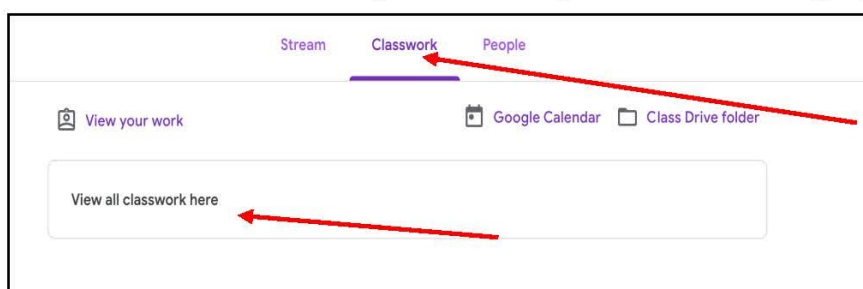


9. In the top right corner, you will see an arrow prompting you to join a class (+). It will then ask you for a class code – a short series of characters. This will only be required the first time the class is joined each year.



Please Note: The Google Classrooms are not setup yet. We will notify you if/when the time comes that we move to **Learning at Home**. Please keep your child's username and password in a secure place for accessing the student portal at all times.

10. Within this classroom you can navigate to see messages, classwork and students.



Use the tabs on the top of the screen to explore work and messages from teachers.

Now you can **complete work, turn it in and post messages and responses** to the classroom teacher. Please note that we discourage students from using this platform as a forum for social chat, it is rather used as a learning tool. We appreciate parents support with this.

This account should remain active on your computer even after you close it down. By going through Google, your log in should be available when you click sign in and you should not need to complete these steps every time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to see your child's classroom teacher.