



# The Botany Buzz...



Week 9 & 10 Term 3 2021

## We are here to support you

As we move into our *ninth week* of learning from home, I wanted to remind families of how you can access support from home. Over the course of the term, staff have been working hard to stay connected with their classes through phone calls home, zoom lessons and feedback on Seesaw.

If students are finding a lesson tricky, they can comment on the activity and ask for help. Teachers monitor their Seesaw classes throughout the day and will respond as soon as they are able to answer questions and clarify misconceptions. Students can also bring these questions to the class zoom lessons to speak to the teacher directly, if they wish. Parents can contact teachers through the school office to further discuss their child's learning or wellbeing. Whilst teachers spend their school days joining with their colleagues to attend meetings and professional learning, preparing lessons for the days and week ahead, there is sometimes a short delay in responding to queries, but we aim to be in touch as soon as possible.

## Restorative Practice Parent Workshop

At Botany PS our student wellbeing philosophy is underpinned by Restorative Practices, with an emphasis on respectful relationships. This helps us to establish a learning environment where students feel safe and are engaged and proactive learners. On Tuesday 31 August all staff participated in a 3-hour training session with Restorative Practices Australia to develop a deeper understanding of the philosophy and consider its further implementation at Botany PS.

To support our school philosophy, we would like to invite parents to join us for a free Parent Workshop, run by Restorative Practices Australia.

**Tuesday, 7 September 2021 @7.30pm**

Link: <https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/65280881905?pwd=K3ZrZFI0ZUEveU45Mk11ZCtyeVl0dz09>

**Meeting ID: 652 8088 1905**

**Passcode: BPS**

## Week 10 is Wellbeing Week

We are fast approaching the end of term and I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a very well-deserved break. We are aware this has not been a 'normal' school term and our teachers have worked hard to balance academic learning with student wellbeing.

Next week is our Wellbeing Week and the Wellbeing Team, led by Rob Dickson, have put together a fun week's worth of learning activities based on the theme **STEM: Stay Thankful Every Moment**.

## Staff news

On behalf of the school community, I would like to offer my congratulations to Mr Chris Millist and his wife, Emma, on the safe arrival of their little boy Theo. I know they are enjoying getting to know the latest addition to their family. We look forward to meeting Theo, hopefully very soon!

**Heather Strachan**  
**(Relieving) Principal**

## Diary Dates

### September 2021

#### Tuesday 7 September

Free Restorative Practice Parent Workshop 7:30pm (see page 2)

#### Monday 13 – Friday 17

#### Wellbeing Week



#### Friday 17 September

Last day of Term 3

### October 2021

#### Tuesday 5 October

First day of Term 4 – Learning from Home resumes



## SASS Recognition Week 2021

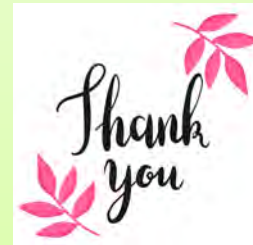
This week is School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week, a time to acknowledge and thank the often unsung heroes in our public schools.

Our SASS staff play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter a school and are essential to maintaining positive relationships with students, parents and the community.

SASS staff work in school offices, in classrooms and libraries and maintaining and caring for school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones to tend to students when they unwell and they ensure the efficient management of school financial and administration functions.

Here at Botany PS, we have an amazing team of SASS staff who keep our school running, even during learning from home! On behalf of our school community, I would like to thank each of them for the care, support and expertise they provide to our students, families and teaching staff.

- **Administrative Manager - Bronwyn McLoughlin**
- **Administrative Officers - Marina Borg and Sylvia Mula**
- **General Assistant - John Ledingham**
- **School Learning Support Officer - Erin McLoughlin**



SASS Recognition Week gives the whole school the opportunity to demonstrate to the SASS staff that they are highly valued members of school community.

## Zoom Links

Please find the zoom links for our parent meeting held every Thursday at 12pm and the whole school assembly held every Friday morning at 10.30am.

Parent meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/2476184454?pwd=eDZyeHFJTUxUbXM1d2NWTE0yRk5BQT09>

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Assembly

Join Zoom Meeting

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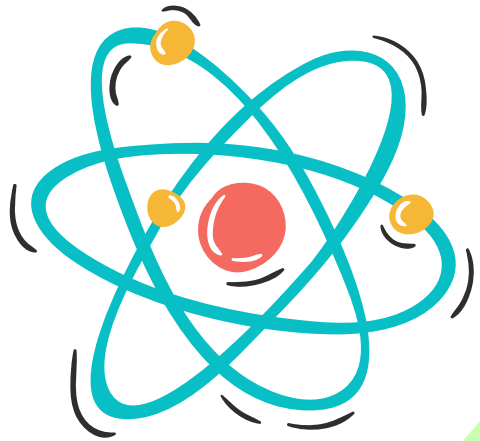
**Value of week 9**  
**Freedom**

**Value of week 10**  
**Pride**

- TERM 3 -

# WELLBEING WEEK

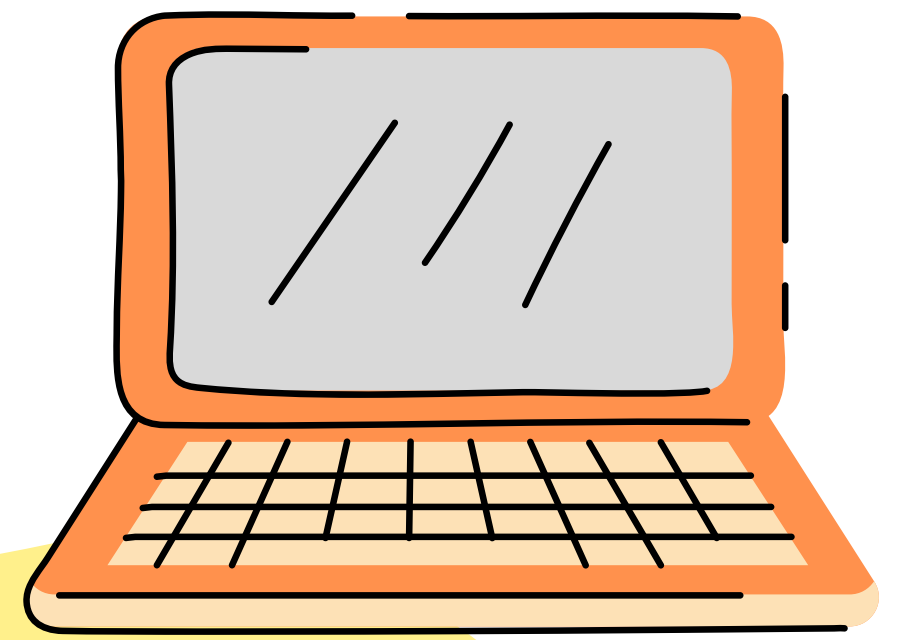
INCORPORATING STEM



## THEME

Our theme for wellbeing week focuses on incorporating the notion of GRATITUDE with STEM.

During this pandemic, we believe that a grateful perspective is crucial to sustaining a positive attitude. We are extremely fortunate to have scientists, technicians, doctors (+ much more) who make our world a better place. Aren't we lucky to be able to engage and communicate through adaptable technology whilst learning online.



**S** - Stay  
**T** - Thankful  
**E** - Every  
**M** - Moment

### MATRIX MAP

Explore a variety of fun, exciting and challenging Wellbeing and STEM activities each day.

## WHAT'S ON AT BOTANY PUBLIC

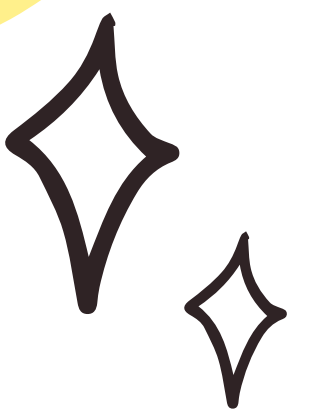
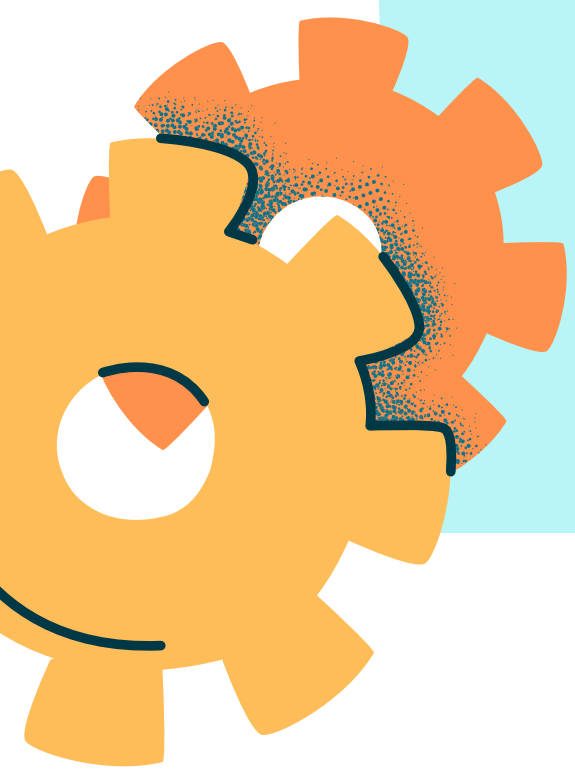
### TEACHER ZOOM

Join in with your teachers live via zoom hosting some cool, collaborative activities.

### QUESTACON VIRTUAL EXCURSION

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Take a trip down into the deep sea and learn about the changing properties of the ocean & its amazing wildlife.



## Colouring in Competition



Mikaela- KM



Ayrton- KP



Lucy- 1D



Leanna- 1R



Anthony- 1S



Khloe- 2L



Ivory- 2R

## Colouring in Competition



Charlotte- 3/4L



Will P- 3/4M



Aurelle- 3/4S



Felix- 4/5T



Abilene- 5/6B



Chloe- 5/6G

## Colouring in Competition Stage Winners



Early Stage 1  
Ayrton- KP



Stage 1  
Khloe- 2L



Stage 2  
Aurelle- 3/4S



Stage 3  
Chloe- 5/6G

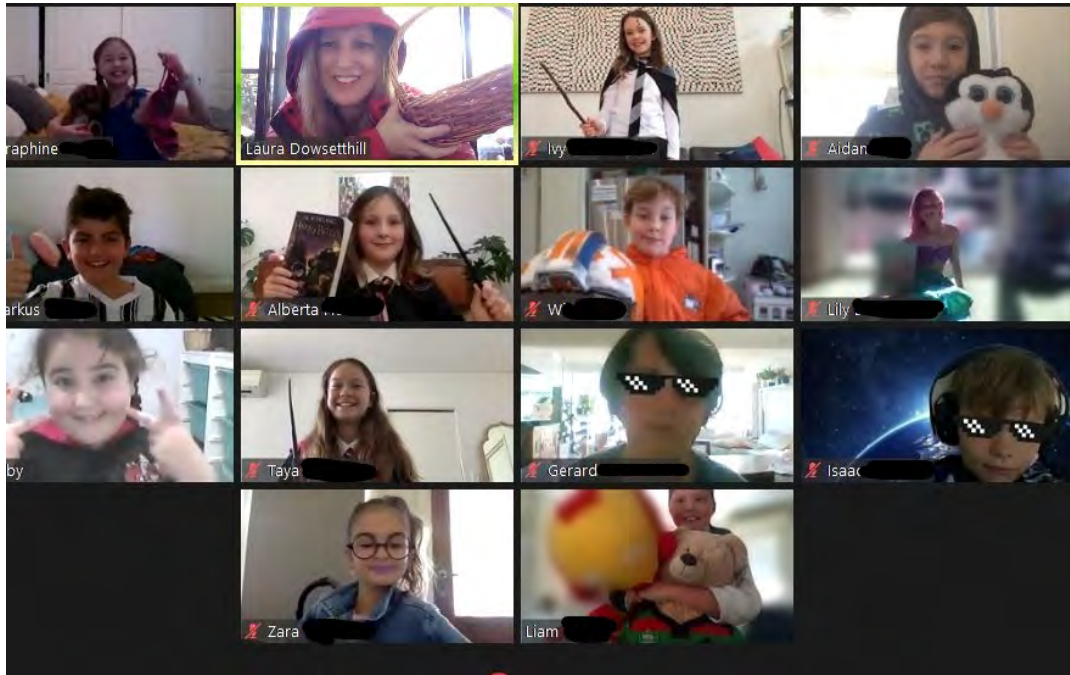
Our overall winner as  
chosen by the SRC:



Abilene- 5/6B

It's been lovely to see what our students and teachers have been up to these last two weeks...

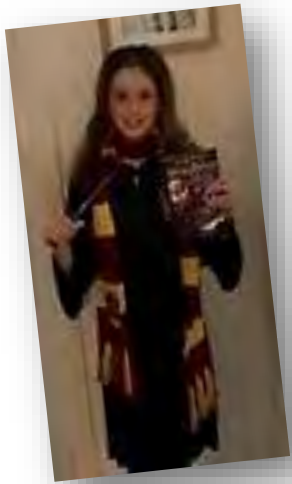
### 3/4 Bookweek with Mrs Dowsethill



Thank you, Ms Gable, for organising our whole school assembly, it was lovely seeing so many of you.



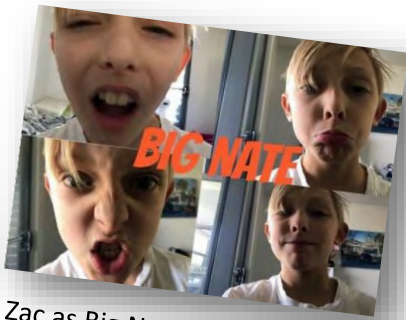
# 3/4S Bookweek Parade



Bronte as Hermoine



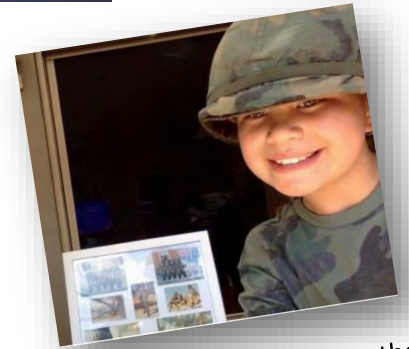
Joss as Harry Potter



Zac as Big Nate



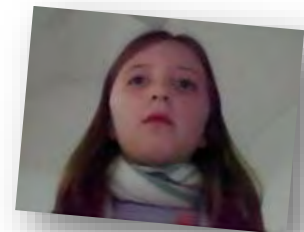
Waverly as the Smallest Girl Ever



London from When the ANZACs Went Marching



Ms Schwartz as Alice



Nia as the Girl Who Stole an Elephant



Giraffes Can't Dance according to Kasper!

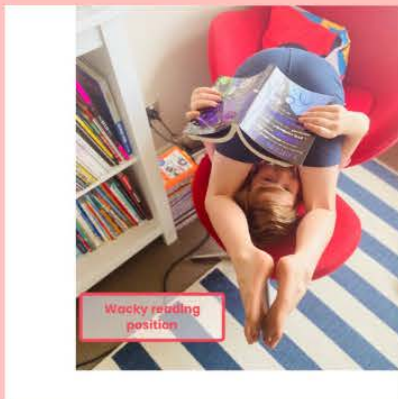


Sonali as Pippi Longstocking

BOTANY PUBLIC SCHOOL

# BOOK WEEK 2021

OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS



Some of our amazing student work samples!



What a fantastic week the Botany students had celebrating all things books! We saw our students take a break from their new routines and enjoy some time being creative.

book: Pig the Elf



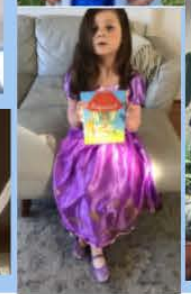
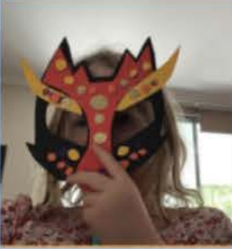


# TEACHER ZOOMS

What a wonderful experience for our students to join the teachers reading books on Zoom. We had lots of fun sharing our stories and seeing so many smiling, happy faces.



## THURSDAY'S BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP





# STEM @ Botany

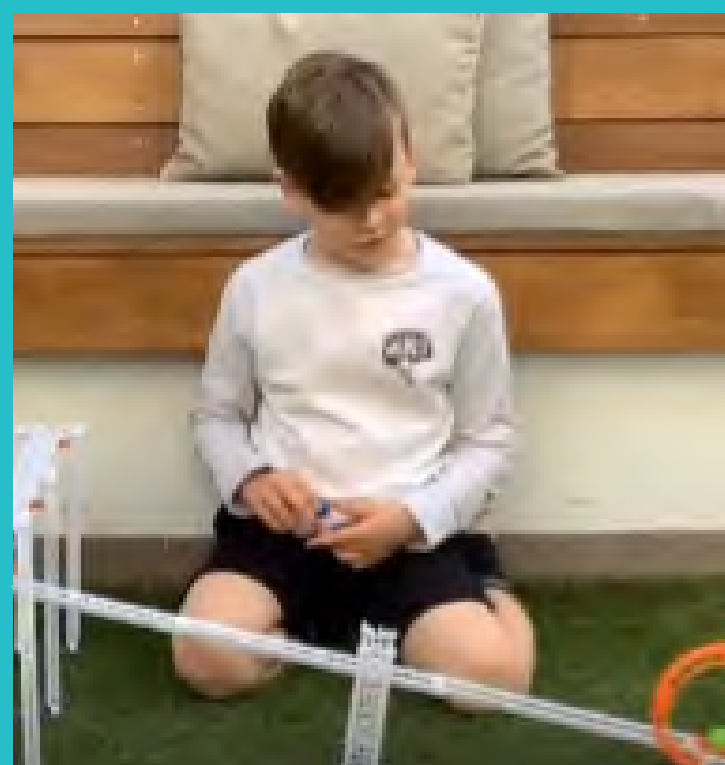
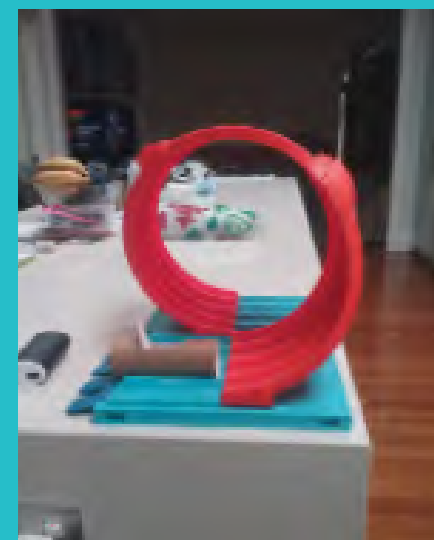
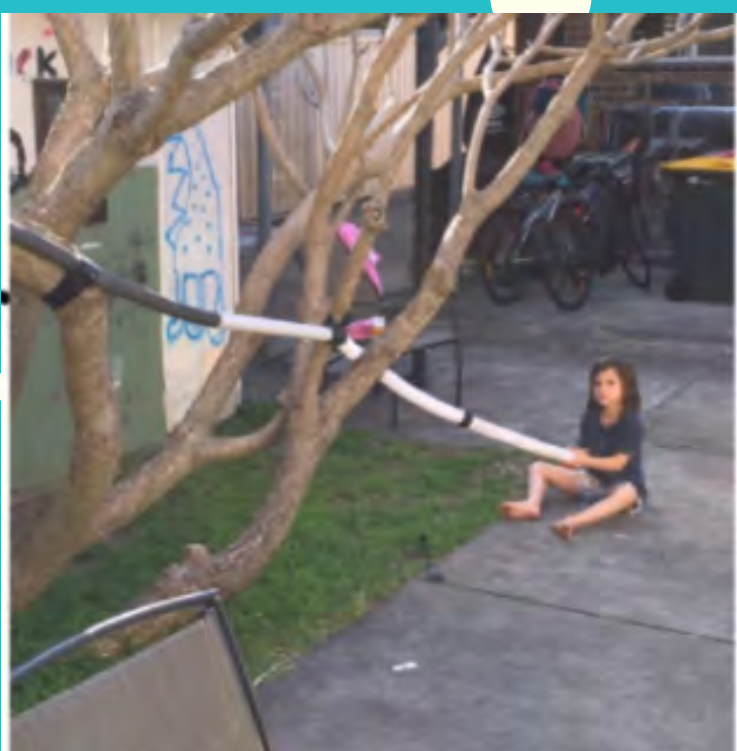
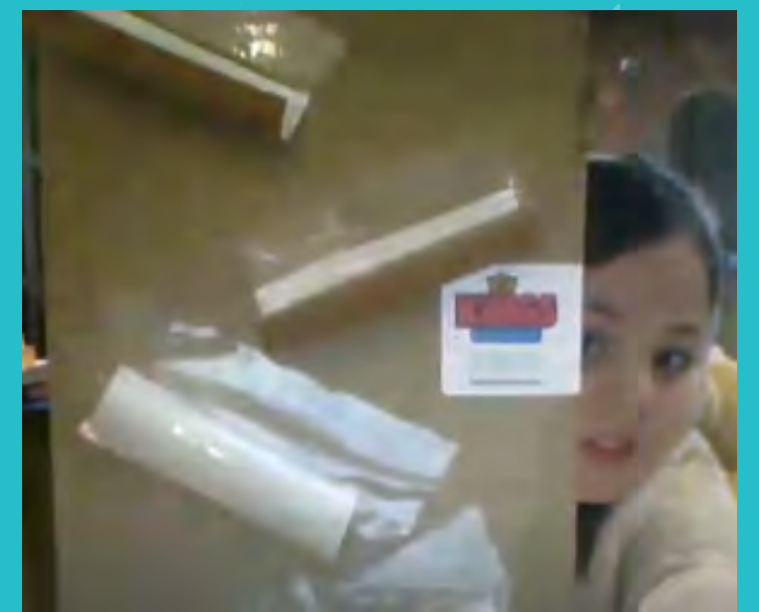
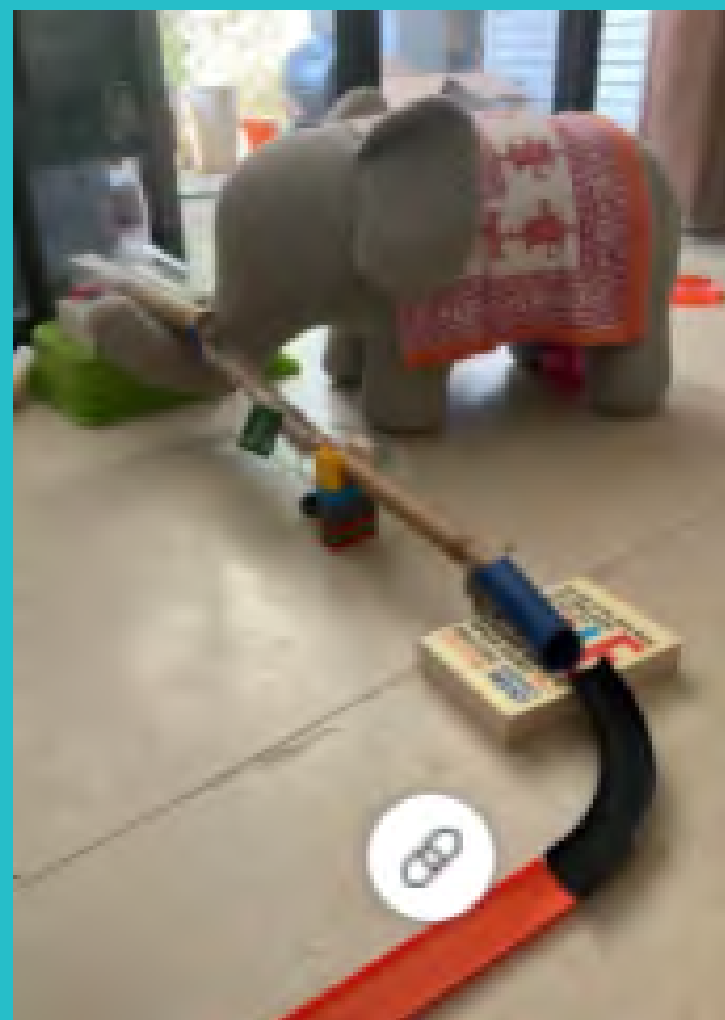
Your Level 1 STEM Task today is to design and make a roller coaster which a small ball or marble can travel along.



Do you recognise Slinky from the Toy Story movies?

There is a Slinky Dog Dash roller coaster ride dedicated to him at Disney World!

In Week 8, BPS continued our STEM journey with another task being assigned to all K-6 students. The task was to design a roller coaster that a small ball could travel along. There were some very unique and creative designs with students recognising changes they could make to enhance their creations throughout the process. Here are just a few of the amazing models.



BOTANY TEAMKIDS

# NEWSLETTER



Week beginning 6th September

## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Welcome to Term 3 Week 9-10

**REMEMBER:** If you complete any **REMARKABLE** or **FUN** activities, be sure to send them to the service email below so that we can share them with the kids we have in service!

We loved celebrating Book Week 2021 by making bookmarks and getting **INVOLVED** in the school wide colouring competition! Miss Bec and Miss Elly won the staff competition. The staff at Team Kids are excited for lockdown to be over so that we can show off everything that we have been working on recently, including a whole new program for experiences and activities!

As we approach the end of the term, it is important to look back on and celebrate how resilient our kids have been over the past few months. We have missed you dearly and hope to see you all back in-service when it is safe. We hope you are taking care of yourselves and staying safe. From everyone at Team Kids we hope you have an amazing week!

## IMPORTANT DATES



 **September 6th – 10th**

Celebrating our Families Week

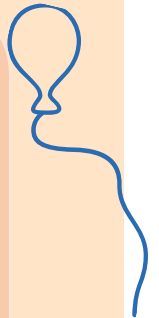
 **September 17th**

Last day of Term 3!

 **September 20th**

Spring Vacation Care Begins

## BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS



Wishing you all a happy birthday! We are celebrating with you in spirit!

**Zara W:** Turns 11 on Sunday the 5th of September

**Owen G:** Turns 6 on Wednesday the 8th of September

**Emily E:** Turns 10 on Thursday the 9th of September

**IMPORTANT:** QR codes – When dropping off or picking up children from Team Kids, can you please ensure you are scanning the QR code.

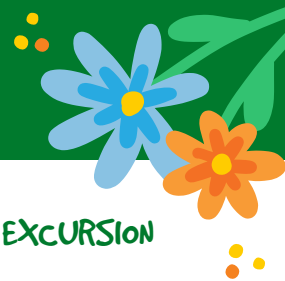


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**7:00AM START**  
**6:00PM END**

**PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9AM ON EXCURSION DAYS**



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<b>FINALS FEVER</b>	<b>PAPER PLANE CHALLENGE</b>	<b>GUM LEAF NATURE MOBILES</b>	<b>BILLY CARTS</b>	<b>TEAM EXTREME</b>
+ SHOOT SOME HOOPS	+ PAPER PLANE CONTEST	+ ALPHABET IN MOTION GAME	+ SKELETON HANDS	+ CARDBOARD CRITTERS
With Finals Fever in the air, we're celebrating all things SPORTS! So, come dressed in your favourite guernsey or team colours as we jump into a day of sporting madness with games galore & more!	Today, we've got a flying start at TeamKids with Paper Plane Challenge! Are you set to fold the speediest paper plane to ever exist? We'll test our accuracy as we play Hit Your Target & Flying Cargo Adventure.	TeamKids is combining nature & imagination to create state of the art Gum Leaf Nature Mobiles. We'll use sticks, twigs, leaves, wool & beads to make a one-of-a-kind piece that'll bring the outside, in.	TeamKids is on the fast track to fun with Billy Carts! Today, we'll be testing our driving skills as we race real billy carts around an awesome course. *Closed-toe shoes & bike helmet required.	TeamKids is running faster, jumping higher & getting stronger with Team Extreme! This sporting workshop will include a variety of track & field events that'll showcase our skills, just like our Olympic heroes.
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<b>ROBO BLOCKS</b>	<b>LIFE'S A PUZZLE</b>	<b>BUBBLE SOCCER</b>	<b>TRIVIA &amp; BINGO BONANZA</b>	<b>SWING INTO SPRING</b>
+ SURVIVOR TAG	+ MAZE RUNNER	+ FROGS & FLIES GAME	+ SILLY BANANAS GAME	+ GLASSHOUSE
What's a robot's favourite type of music? Heavy metal! We're stretching our imaginations as we construct & play with mechanical LEGO robot figures. We'll use smart bricks, motors & sensors to get the job done.	What goes up & down, but never moves? Stairs! Today, we'll work together to solve brain teasers & riddles in Life's a Puzzle. We'll make Binary Code Bracelets, create Popsicle Puzzle Craft & decode Spy Cypher Kits.	Today, the goal at TeamKids is to have heaps of fun! We're getting ready to bump, kick & roll in the ultimate game of Bubble Soccer. It'll have us rolling around with laughter. *Closed-toe shoes required.	Do you know what a group of zebras is called? A dazzle! Today, TeamKids is set to dazzle you with a Trivia & Bingo Bonanza. So, brush up on your general knowledge because there are prizes to be won.	The weather is getting warmer & we're ready to Swing into Spring! So, plant yourself at TeamKids for some unbe-LEAF-able fun. We'll play the Duck Waddle & Fresher team games. Then, we'll make 3D Paper Flowers.
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\*Child Care Subsidies may apply. \$5 Admin Fee per family. \$5 Late Fees apply within 7 days per child. Payment plans available.  
\*\*Experience/Activity Fee. Programs may be subject to change. Third Party Payment Fees apply. See Terms and Conditions for cancellation policy.



**FIND A VENUE**  
[teamkids.com.au/venues](http://teamkids.com.au/venues)

**CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE**  
Book Today!



Please ensure children are signed in no later than 9am.



### What to wear

During Spring, the mornings can be chilly, so please make sure you bring a warm top (clearly labelled) and keep an eye on the weather so your child is dressed appropriately. Some of our venues are particularly large and take time to warm up on the chillier mornings, so make sure the kids are rugged up. At TeamKids we love to get outside, so please remember to wear suitable footwear for running around.



### Double check TeamKids Room Location

It is very important to double check our website prior to attending, in case of a room change. We are sometimes required to temporarily change rooms due to school building maintenance over the school holidays. Last minute changes will be announced via SMS to attending families.



### Medical Information? Have a Plan

If your child has Asthma, Anaphylaxis, an Allergy or any other medical condition, upload plans to your TeamKids account and bring along a completed Risk Minimisation Form, found on our website. Please provide required medications to your venue coordinator on the first day of attendance - In their original packaging, clearly labelled with your child's name and a use-by date.

\*\*Please note children are unable to attend our venues without their medication and action plans.



### Receiving child care Subsidy

After your TeamKids booking is placed, you must log into your MyGov account to check you have a confirmed enrolment.



### Extended Hours of operation

During the school holidays, our customer service team are available from 7:00 am till 6:30 pm.



### Booking and cancellations

Bookings are subject to availability and may be placed/amended until 7am the day of attendance via your TeamKids online account. An additional fee of \$5 per child applies to bookings made inside 7 days of attending. Cancellations must be received before 8am the day prior to attendance. If inside this time frame, full fee will be charged. Please refer to our website for full cancellation T&C's.



### Electronic Sign-In/out

All TeamKids venues require electronic sign in/out. Any person signing your child in or out from TeamKids care MUST be listed on your TeamKids account and know your TeamKids account pin number, if this has been activated. These details can be updated via your TeamKids account at any time.



### Pack a Healthy Lunch

A delicious, nutritious, morning and afternoon tea are provided in all programs. Children are required to bring a packed lunch and refillable water bottle.

When packing your child's lunch, please consider that some children in attendance have been diagnosed with food allergies or the risk of anaphylaxis.



### Additional Needs

For new families, our TeamKids Inclusion Manager will discuss attendance options for children with additional needs before they attend. Please contact Customer Service on 1300 035 000.

Please note: We require a minimum of four weeks' notice for funding applications for children requiring an extra staff member to help support their time with us. Places cannot be guaranteed if less notice is given.

Please call with any questions: 1300 035 000

# SPRING Holidays

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