

## ▶ Deputy Principal's News

**2 Sept 2021**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hoping you are all well and keeping safe. It certainly is a very tricky time for us all and I particularly feel for the children and how much they are missing each other and their teachers. I have been on google meets with classes each day and it is so lovely to see the children's faces light up once they connect with their friends online- hopefully it won't too long until they can do this again in person!

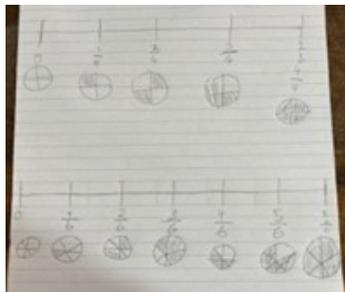
Each day, I am impressed with the level of learning activities and opportunities our staff are putting together for our students. They truly are an amazing group of professionals! Here is a snapshot of some of the learning:



Kindergarten have been learning about measurement and have been ordering objects from shortest to the longest.



Preschool have been making and experimenting with a substance called Oobleck. Is it a liquid or a solid?



Year 3/4 have been learning about fractions and creating fraction number lines.



In Science with Mr Sheldrick, Kindergarten are designing toys that can either be pushed or pulled or both

### Student Response

One day a man called Jeremy Barton went into the bush with his horse Waratah.

Jeremy Barton was thirsty and he went to a billabong to get a drink. He got his billy can and put water in it. He boiled the water on a fire and made billy tea.

Jeremy said to Waratah "why don't you get some grass to eat". Waratah was lucky because as well as grass, she found some carrots that another swagman had left behind.

Jeremy and Waratah kept riding and they found something in the bushes. They found an 'X' that was marking a spot. Waratah thought it might have been a whole box of carrots.



### Student Response

Jeremy dug up to the spot and found treasure. In the treasure box was a diary. Jeremy decided to fill the diary with pictures of what he could see in the bush.

Jeremy and Waratah heard lots of wild horses and Jeremy said "Waratah, would you like to play with them?". Waratah ran towards them and they all played together. Waratah was happy playing with her new friends. Jeremy was happy that Waratah had made new friends.

Jeremy drew some horses in his diary. Jeremy said "come on Waratah, it's going to be dark soon and we will need to camp out".

Jeremy set up his swag and then went to sleep.

The next day, Jeremy and Waratah went home. Jeremy's mother said "Did you have a good time?"

"Yes, yes I did mum" said Jeremy.

The end.

Year 1/2 have been writing story responses to the book they read in class called *Meet Banjo Patterson*. This is Evie from 1/2 AW's interesting story about a person named Jeremy and his horse Waratah.

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## Deputy Principal News continued...

CHOOSE ONE PARALYMPIAN, EITHER FROM THE ACT OR ANY AUSTRALIAN, THEN FILL OUT THE DETAILS BELOW ABOUT THEM.

Name: Alexander Tuckfield

Sport: para swimming

What is their impairment and how it was acquired?  
-Alexander was acquired at birth  
Alexander was cerebral palsy

What does their impairment mean?  
-it means it affected his movement skills

Three interesting facts, including any highlights or achievements.

1. In the paralympics 2021 Alexander has his international debut
2. Alexander qualified for the 400m swimming race
3. When Alexander was not in the pool he liked listening to his favorite band tool



Year 5/6 have been learning about some of our amazing Paralympians currently competing in the 2020 Tokyo Paralympics. Dylan from 5/6 JL wrote about Paralympian swimmer Alexander Tuckfield.

A reminder to check out the *Florey Primary School Home Learning Support Directory* which can be found here: <https://sites.google.com/ed.act.edu.au/floreyprimaryschool-homelearn>

This site is a one stop shop for parents /carers with a range of links and supports, including Staying Safe Online resources, Wellbeing resources, contact information and links to each cohort's learning. A big thank you to Executive Teacher Paul Campbell for putting this together for our school community.

And finally, a Happy Father's Day to all the special men in our lives, including dads, grandparents, uncles, carers and family friends. Hopefully you will be able to find some creative ways to celebrate these special people in your life. Maybe a picnic in the backyard or a family zoom session- breakfast in bed is also always a good option!

Keep safe everyone!

Amy Czoban  
Deputy Principal

## **Meet our Team**



Glenn has been a part of CRCS since 2018. Over the years he has been a rare sight at Florey Primary, and only making appearances during the holiday program as his main centre was Charnwood-Dunlop Schools after school care, where he primarily acted as 2IC and Acting Director.

Glenn has attained a double bachelor's degree (BA/BPsych) from UC. He is a passionate member of the Canberra theatre community and enjoys a good scuba/snorkel.

We are very happy to welcome Glenn who is excited to join our team and hopes to get to know all the programs families better over the coming months.



### **Message from the Director of Florey OSHC**

I just wanted to take the opportunity to reach out to you all, to see how you are all going during this difficult period of navigating through the challenges of the Delta outbreak. I hope you are all well and staying safe during lockdown.

At OSHC we focus on getting in touch with our families and children through newsletter and Storypark. We encourage families to send pictures and videos and write stories related to anything their child did during this lockdown period. We also exchange ideas and share recipes.

Children who are in our care can stay connected with their friends by exchanging letters that can be sent to me and I can forward it to the family after receiving permissions to do so. We can also stay connected through My TEAMS.

These are unprecedented times for our community's and Capital Region Community Services will be doing all we can to help support our families, educators and the wider community.

Fariha - Canberra Regional Community Services

## EALD Week News...

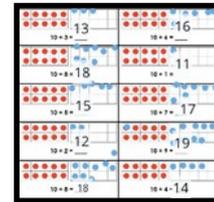
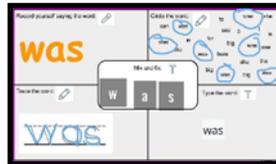
### We have had new students join us at Florey.

Welcome to Naioka, Gelarin, Yubashana, Mandukhai and Mezo!

We have also had one student return to Florey from the Belconnen Primary Introductory English Centre and one student who has come to Florey from the Northside Primary Introductory English Centre. Welcome back Alice! Welcome to Florey Zhenze (Liam)!

### Online Learning

Children are engaging in fantastic online activities with their teachers. You are doing a great job parents and carers!



### Community Connections:

We are currently unable to meet in person but there are many families that we have connected with during the lockdown and online learning period. We understand how difficult it might be for families to manage the online learning both for technical reasons and for learning support and we will do our best to support you with both areas.

There are other areas that families may need support. Please look at the information provided. Even if you do not need it there maybe someone else you know who could benefit from it.

**Vinnies Helpline: 13 18 12** for a range of support.

### Emergency Relief:

Any Canberran who is significantly and adversely impacted by the lockdown and is unable to feed their family is encouraged to call 1800 43 11 33. Callers will be linked with a Volunteering ACT staff member who will place a shopping order on their behalf and members of the SES will then collect the order and deliver it to them. The SES are unable to enter a person's home, so the groceries will be left on the doorstep after a knock at the door.

### **Vaccine Information in Your Language**

COVID-19 Vaccine information in your language

<https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-%20vaccine-information-in-your-language>

### Vaccination Support:

COVID-19 Vaccination The COVID-19 vaccine is free for everyone, even those without Medicare cards and those who hold an immigration visa.

Early Morning Centre (EMC) Vaccination Service: Offering vaccinations to visitors during the week beginning 23 August 2021. Hours are 9.30am – 2pm. (02) 6247 5041 for more information. Anyone who feels they may require in-reach into their home because they have significant barriers to accessing other vaccination options, is asked to contact the ACT vaccination booking line on 02 5124 7700 and choose option 3 for the dedicated disability line.

Stay safe and well.

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