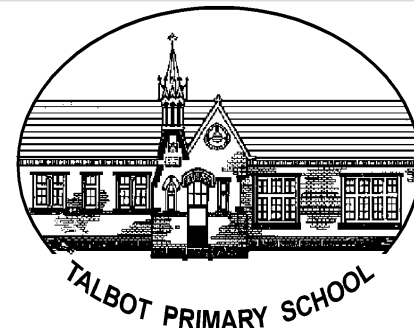


Talbot Primary School

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY PERSISTENCE TEAMWORK HONESTY

Term 3 Week 4 -7th August, 2020



From the Principal

Hi Families,

Before writing this week's newsletter message I went and looked at what I spoke about before we commenced remote learning in Term 2. I think, what I talked about still holds great weight.

So, the main message I wanted to pass on in today's newsletter message is this; there's no such thing as a perfect school day. There has never been at school, and there never will be at home. Some days the technology might not work for you. Some days an app might not work for you. Some days your child might not work for you!

A set of instructions might be difficult on a particular day. Children might go off on a tangent when completing a piece of work.

Let me tell you in every day I have been in a school these are all common occurrences. Whilst we would like every child to complete every task set to the best of their ability, the reality is this doesn't happen 100% of the time for your child at school.

Please don't make this the expectation at home. You will become stressed, your child will become stressed and remote learning will quickly become a sour experience. At this stage we have 6 weeks of remote learning to navigate, and I want to do this in a manner that supports everyone as much as we can.

There are some key pieces of advice I want to reiterate that have already been communicated to ensure we look after the well-being of parents and students during remote learning, which are;

- No school day is ever perfect and no remote learning day will be either! Do your best, adapt and even move on if you have to. This happens in school each and every day.
- We are conducting remote learning, not home schooling. Teacher support is available every day for your child via WebEx as scheduled by your classroom teacher (Please ensure you are Home for the appointment times. We want students to access this and ask for support so they don't have to rely on parents or siblings where possible. Use this every day, use this every session if need be as this is what it is there for!
- The simple habits of re-watching a video or rereading instructions should not be overlooked before diving into help! This can alleviate a lot of confusion. If things still don't make sense contact your teacher for help!
- Technology does not work at school 100% of the time all the time. It won't at home. In these instances make do as best you can, move on, or even take a break and come back to it later. Alternatively, even restarting your device can even solve an issue.

We have already had some minor issues with our iPads, in which we sincerely apologise for. Due to server and technical difficulties, programs and apps did not upload to these as we had hoped. Thank you to our parents/carers for your understanding and exchanging the iPads for Notebooks.

As you will come to see over the coming weeks, our wonderful teachers and support staff have worked tirelessly to implement and accommodate feedback gathered from the survey conducted from the previous flexible and remote learning period. Our teachers and staff are still learning on how best to support all our students and families, we understand the difficulties and stress placed on everyone at this time. We are dedicated to doing our absolute best. To achieve this we need open communication, student's attendance to their WebEx appointments with their teachers and more importantly understanding and PATIENCE from everyone.

We would like to acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung, Traditional Custodians of the land where Talbot primary School is situated. We would also like to acknowledge our Elders, past, present and future.

What's Happening at Talbot Primary School

August 2020

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September 2020

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