

## CROYDON PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Friday 22 July, 2021

Dear parents and carers,

#### Week 2 Update

#### Thank you

We are now 2 weeks into 'Learning from Home' and I want to sincerely thank you all for your efforts and ongoing support with learning remotely. We are very appreciative with the work that you are managing to get your children to do. I understand and acknowledge the juggling that you are doing to help your children learn as well as keep the household running whilst continuing your own work. All efforts are appreciated.

Thank you also for the support we have been receiving through emails- I share your kind words with the staff as this is a great morale boost.

Teachers are also juggling planning work, monitoring student engagement, providing feedback, attending TEAMS staff meetings, communicating with colleagues and supervising students onsite.

#### ZOOM class check-in sessions

As of next week, we are providing all our students with the opportunity to attend a weekly ZOOM class check-in session. The session enables students to connect with their class peers and teacher. Below are the designated times for each class. Class teachers will provide K-4 parents and carers with meeting ID codes this coming Monday. Years 5-6 students will be provided with meeting ID codes via Google Classroom.

Time	Tuesday	Wednesday
11:00 am	2M 2H	KB KAT
11:30 am	1G 2S	1DJ 1H
1:00 pm	5/6W 6M	4M 3W 3/4 B
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For the safety and privacy of all students, we have devised a set of expectations. Please

refer to the following 2 guidelines in this newsletter.

- 1. ZOOM student guidelines
- 2. ZOOM quick start guide notes

#### **Education Week**

Our annual celebration of NSW Public Education and the achievements of our students, schools and education system will run this coming Monday 26 to Friday 30 July. The theme this year is *Lifelong Learners.* Unfortunately, once again we will be unable to celebrate together at school however, our class teachers have prepared various tasks for our children to celebrate online.

The department have also planned a number of virtual events, starting with a live stream launch from 10am on Monday 26 July. Please click on the link for further information. <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/education-week/ed-week-events</u>

#### Wellbeing during Home Learning

Working and learning at home can be a challenging experience. The link below provides various activities and exercises that you can build into the day to support your family's wellbeing. This includes brain breaks, movement breaks, mindfulness activities and wellbeing services. <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/wellbeing/wellbeing-at-home/general-information</u>

#### Digital Lunchbreak Website for Children

The Office of the Advocate for Children and Young People (ACYP) has designed the Digital Lunchbreak Website to assist children with finding online resources and activities to do at home in their lunch breaks, around learning hours and on weekends. Please click on the link to explore a variety of activities and resources <u>https://www.digitallunchbreak.nsw.gov.au/activities</u>

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#### Talking to your child about COVID-19

Children are picking up information from their peers, the media and what they are observing in the outside world. Reassuring your child during lockdown will help alleviate concerns or anxiety. Please click onto the link below to access further information and guidance. <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/wellbeing-at-home/documents/parents-and-carers/Talking\_about\_Covid19\_-parent\_edition\_June.pdf</u>

#### Continue to keep well and safe

I thank you for your cooperation and support with all that you are doing to help keep our school community safe. A gentle reminder that our school will continue to operate with minimal staff until further notice. Please continue to keep your child at home wherever possible. Our school remains open for families who need it.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions to best support your child. Please email or contact our school office as needed. We are here to work with you in supporting your child's learning and wellbeing.

In the meantime, continue to take care and keep safe. I am a call away if you require further assistance.

Kind regards,

Anastasia Galanos

Principal.



#### Download & Install Zoom

Click the appropriate link to download Zoom on your device. Windows & Mac : <u>http://zoom.us/download</u>

(download the Zoom Client for Meetings)

iOS: <u>https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/id546505307</u>

Android:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=us.zoom.videomeetings

#### Join a Meeting

Join Using a Meeting ID You can use a 9, 10 or 11 digit meeting ID to join a meeting.

- 1. Open the Zoom Application.
- 2. Click the blue Join a Meeting button.
- 3. Enter your 9 or 10 digit Meeting ID and Your Name.
- 4. Enter the passcode.
- 5. Click Join.

#### Quick Tips for Using Zoom

- If you are using an external camera and/or microphone be sure to plug them in before opening the Zoom application. We recommend using a headset if possible.
- Only 1 microphone and speaker system should be active per physical location. Otherwise the 2 systems may cause a loud screeching sound.
- You cannot record unless you are the meeting host, or the meeting host allows you permission to record.

#### Expectations

By agreeing to join the Zoom meeting, you agree to not record or take photos/screenshots of the meeting. This is a privacy measure to protect the children as there are children in the class that may have restricted photo permissions.

- Parents can help their child set up devices, but should not join any group/class chats being moderated by the teacher
- Leave the chat promptly after the session
- Blur your background or set your background to an APPROPRIATE static picture
- You may choose to join in using the microphone only and not the video option.







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## Be ENGAGED

- Wear appropriate clothing
- Make sure you are in a quiet space
- Take turns and listen to each other

# NO RECORDING

Do NOT take screenshots, screen recordings, photos or videos of the class zoom.





We look forward to seeing all the children on Zoom during their designated time below!



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