Wednesday 17th June 2020

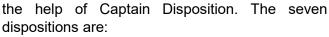
Term 2 Week 8

A MESSAGE FROM MRS HUGHES

Last week the two Kindergarten classrooms were full of excited, engaged and creative problem solvers. Well to be fair, that is everyday in Kindergarten, but last Friday it was particularly exciting. Why? The day had finally arrived where the students had to use all of their Captain Disposition learning dispositions and turn an ordinary cardboard box into something extraordinary. What resulted, you ask? Jet powered backpacks, time travel machines and cars. The conversations, the co-operating and collaborating and imaginative ideas were very impressive. The best part was, if any students had

a problem, they called on Captain Disposition to help them solve it.

Last term and this term, Kindergarten students have been learning about each of the learning dispositions with



- I am open-minded
- I am flexible
- I am a risk taker
- I am resourceful
- I am patient and persistent
- I am a ubiquitous learner (I learn anywhere)
- I am reflective

Learning dispositions are such an important part of developing resilient learners and critical and creative problem solvers. We refer to the learning dispositions across the school in all different situations and encourage our students to use these when solving a problem, rather than just giving up or not having a go at all. They are important skills for design thinking processes and have been identified as essential skills for future focused learning.

Next term, the whole school will be using their learning dispositions when we engage in our robotics lessons and Project Based Learning.

I have featured some photos of Kindergarten at the end of the newsletter.

I have also included important information in regards to changes to the current restrictions. Please be sure to read these. Canteen and uniform shop volunteers will now need to sign a new form.

Lisa Hughes

Principal



At New Lambton Heights Infants School we acknowledge that we teach, learn and play together on the traditional country of the Awabakal people, who are the custodians of this land. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE HEIGHTS?

Uniform Shop Open	Every Monday
Library Borrowing	Every Wednesday
Assembly	Fridays – 15 mins for awards and birthdays. Sorry students and staff only.
P&C Meeting	Zoom meeting Wednesday 1 st July
Snack Canteen	Every Friday

GATES - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

As of next week (Week 9), teachers will no longer be at the gates in the morning. We feel parents and students now know the routine. We ask that you encourage you to sanitise your child's hands before coming in. Sanitiser is provided at Lookout Road. We will also ensure hand washing occurs when in school. Please remain outside of the gates as you see your child off. If your child is having difficulty separating, please phone the school and we will come to your assistance. Teachers will continue to be at the gates in the afternoon. Please continue to use your designated gates and remember to socially distance outside of the gates.



LATEST FACE TO FACE LEARNING GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS

All schools have returned to full-time on-campus learning. With updated health advice and changes to state and national restrictions, we are able to recommence the majority of school-based activities from either 15 June 2020 or the start of Term 3 (20 July 2020). A limited number of activities remain under consideration.

The majority of school-based activities can recommence, as long as the following measures are observed:

- all visitors and external to school providers must adhere to relevant hygiene, distancing and safety protocols
- principals (as site managers) may continue to restrict, limit or prohibit activities if deemed to be contrary to the advice of the day
- external providers are required to demonstrate compliance with health and safety requirements
- non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events – this includes parents/carers unless specifically approved by the principal.
- Parents/carers who need to be on site for canteen or uniform shop purposes, or for other purposes where they are providing a service, must sign the visitor acknowledgement form.

Safety and hygiene

- Physical distancing of children in schools is not required by the latest AHPPC guidelines. Research has shown limited transmission risk associated with school children in the school environment.
- Physical distancing requirements remain for adults. All adults must maintain <u>physical distance</u> from each other (1.5m) including teachers and support staff, and parents.
- Schools should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable parents to

physically distance from one another and from staff.

Hygiene measures

Normal <u>infection control</u> and hygiene measures should be followed. These include encouraging regular washing of hands and cleaning of musical instruments, learning and sporting equipment between uses.

Students should continue to bring water bottles from home to fill at water bubblers rather than drink directly from the bubbler

School Activities – relevant to NLHIS Activities already allowed

- <u>Library access</u> ensuring supervisors/staff maintain physical distancing
- Canteen and uniform shops staffed by volunteers
- Face-to-face parent/teacher meetings that are essential (eg to discuss disciplinary or other welfare matters)
- <u>School sporting activities</u> on site (noncontact skills development at this point)
- Allied health providers, wellbeing and case management professionals (including NDIS suppliers)
- Final year teaching practicum students
- Construction and maintenance providers
- All curricular and extra-curricular programs or services delivered by NSW Department of Education

Activities allowed from Monday 15 June

- School assemblies (limited to 15 minutes and no external visitors)
- Incursions/external adult providers to support delivery of curriculum (e.g. music tutors, sport skills development programs, science demonstrations, drama tutors, Healthy Harold). Must maintain distancing and hygiene requirements.
- Day field trips to outdoor locations with no physical distancing requirements (e.g. DoE Environmental Education Centres

and sport and recreation facilities, trips to local river to collect water samples)

• School photos (although no group staff photos).

Activities allowed from beginning of Term 3

- All school sport and activities including competitions aligned with current health advice (including those activities run by external organisations)
- Incursions not already permitted involving external adult providers maintaining distancing and hygiene aligned with the health advice of the day (eg school banking talks, sport promotions etc – not directly curriculum related)
- SRE/SEE volunteers
- P&C meetings strong preference for online where possible
- Parent/teacher meetings where these need to take place – strong preference for on-line where possible unless involving serious matters that require face to face discussion
- Parent/carer school pick up and drop off arrangements should continue at the school's discretion taking into consideration adult physical distancing requirements. Parents/carers should not be on school grounds or at school events without principal's permission.

Activities under consideration from Term 3

The following events will be reconsidered in Term 3. For now these events must remain on hold.

- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Parent attendance at assemblies and other school events (e.g. graduation ceremonies or student speech events)
- Group photos for staff
- Parent volunteers e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- Interstate excursions

 School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults are not permitted at this time. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs,

large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events. These large gatherings and the following activities will continue to be reviewed and assessed based on AHPPC and NSW Health advice and may be permitted at a later date.

REPORTS

Semester 1 reports will be sent home in Week 2 of Term 3. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher before this time, please contact your teacher via the school's email, SeeSaw or phone the school. Your teacher will organise a time to speak over the phone or may set up a Zoom meeting.

SRE ONLINE

Special Religious Education (SRE) is being offered online, while restrictions are in place. Parents can access this at home if they would like their children to continue SRE each week.

Here is the link to the Department approved resources:

https://www.christiansre.com.au/learningfromhome

2021 ENROLMENTS

If you are interested in enrolling your child in 2021 or know of anyone who is, please contact the school. We will be looking at applications in Term 3.

AWESOME AWARDS and HIGH TEA....

Don't forget to keep collecting your awards. Mrs Hughes will be having High Tea on Monday 29th June with Ella, Maya and Alexa. We would love some company! Make sure all of your awards are

in by Wednesday of Week 9 if you think you are in the running!

Congratulations to Week 7 merit award recipients.



























P&C NEWS

Thank you to those who came along to our first P&C Meeting via Zoom. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 1 July and details will be sent out to all registered P&C members the week prior. We hope to see you there!

If you would like to join, please email nlhipandc@gmail.com and we will email you a membership form. You will need to fill this in and have your child return to the cream P&C box.

To keep up to date with P&C activities and news, please follow our Facebook page; 'New Lambton Heights Infants P & C'.

P&C ACTIVITIES

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Thank you to those families who have already purchased their Entertainment Books!

Entertainment Memberships can start anytime and are packed with thousands of substantial savings on dining, travel and fun family activities. The digital membership is easy to download to start using instantly. New offers are added weekly for ongoing value all year round.

https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/342j57

P&C SERVICES

FRIDAY SNACK CANTEEN

We have had a request for prices from some Kindy parents. Generally we would say they do not need more than \$2.

Please see below;

Sea Salt Chips and Grainwaves \$1 each Strawberry & Chocolate Milk \$1 each

Juice Poppers \$1 each
Quelch Ice Blocks 50c each
Packet of Sultanas 50c each
Popcorn packet 50c each

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for canteen!

Canteen is held between 12.45pm and 1.10pm. Please make sure you can set up at 12.30pm ready for the rush!

Also, at the conclusion of canteen, please ensure that you restock ready for next week to make it easier for next week's volunteers.

If you can't make your rostered day please arrange a swap with someone and notify nlhipandc@gmail.com. If you are unable to find a replacement, please advise Kate via the P&C so that a substitute can be organised. If you have any queries, you can contact the P&C on nlhipand@gmail.com

Term 2 Roster

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Friday 19	Kate Murphy & Janette Collins	
June		
Friday 26	Katie Draper & Vimbayinesu	
June	Timba	
Friday 3 July	Andrea Stig & Patrice Wallace	
	Smith	

UNIFORM SHOP

We are still looking for two volunteers to assist in the Uniform Shop and get trained up for when our current volunteers move on next year. If you are available or have any questions, email the P&C.

You can order your uniforms online at our Square Shop https://new-lambton-heights-infants-school-pc-association.square.site/

There is a wide range of second-hand uniforms for the sale in the Uniform Shop. Please email or phone to make an appointment.

Please email any other Uniform Shop enquiries that you may have to the P&C Uniform Shop email or P&C email. Sue and Shehr are coming in each Monday to process orders. They will be given to your child to bring home.

nlhiuniform@gmail.com

CANTEEN SET UP

- Volunteers to sanistise hands as they arrive and keep a bottle of gel at the tables with you (school will provide).
- You will need to now sign a visitor acknowledgment form. Please see the office.
- Ensure distancing is happening when you are in the library getting items ready and packing up.
- Wipe over tables with antibacterial wipes (school will provide).
- Two tables to be set up in front of stage to allow for distancing between volunteers, please see photo for set up.
- Please fill up all 4 plastic containers with chips and snacks plus a box with spares to fill up if required.
- Pre-cut approx.. 20 ice blocks ready to serve.
- Please let children take their chosen items so you handle money only during canteen.
- Please use gloves provided while handling money. If you touch anything else please be sure to change gloves.
- Teachers will mark a line to make sure there is distance between the students and volunteers.





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