

# Little Grove PRIMARY SCHOOL

*A Proud Independent Public School*

## E-News 15 May 2020

Good afternoon **Subscribers Name**

Our student numbers have continued to grow this week with 93% of our students returning to fulltime schooling, which is great to see. Due to yesterday's announcement by the Premier, we look forward to seeing all of our students back at school on Monday. Please read the information forwarded to parents via email regarding the compulsory return to school.

If your children have been learning from home, please be familiar with the pick up and drop off procedures that have put in place (emails sent home to all parents this term) before you commence on Monday morning. Please also remember to return the tub and all your learning from home paperwork with your child on their first day back.

As our weather has taken a very cool turn everyone is looking for their jackets to stay warm. Can parents please check that their children have their own jackets and not someone else's by mistake. We have some students who have clearly named their jackets but they have gone missing. This is also a reminder to please make sure you mark all your child's clothing clearly so we can return it to them if it is mislaid.

As you will notice in the Enrolment article further in this newsletter Little Grove Primary School is now accepting enrolments for students to commence in 2021. This includes a new intake of Kindergarten students, which are children born between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. Families looking to change schools for their Pre Primary to Year 6 aged children are also welcome to lodge an application. Please remind your friends, family and neighbours that this enrolment process is now open and applications will close on 24 July 2020.

Wishing everyone a great weekend.



### Germ Experiment Results !

Mrs Meaton carried out a great experiment with Room 8 students, to discover just how many Germs & Bacteria are lurking on our hands and on our classroom surfaces. .... It has been scientifically proven by Room 8 students that our cleaners and the extra COVID practices that have been put in place are keeping our classroom surfaces safe at LGPS !

The results of the experiment are as follows :-

**Least amount of Bacteria/Germs causing Mould - Classroom Surfaces**

- 2nd - Hand Washing with Soap
- 3rd - Using Hand Sanitiser
- 4th - Girls Unwashed Hands
- 5th - Hands washed only with water.

Most amount of Bacteria/Germs causing Mould - **Boys Unwashed hands**

So it is official - Always use soap to effectively wash your hands !!



Well done to this group of scientists, what a great visual reminder of the normally invisible germs and bacteria around us.



Here are some write ups that the children have done regarding their experiment:

### Bread Mould Experiment

Hello my name is Phoebe and I'm going to tell you what happened with our bread mould experiment. What did we do? Two weeks ago, Room 8 decided to investigate germs. We used fresh white bread to test the experiment. What did we find out? That washing your hands with soap is much better than sanitising your hands or just washing your hands with water.

Classroom surfaces has only grown a small amount of mould, meaning that cleaners are cleaning regularly. By Phoebe

### Bread mould experiment

Last week we used seven pieces of fresh bread to find out how quickly germs spread. We touched different surfaces in the classroom.

### Two cool facts

We found out that boy's dirty hands were the dirtiest and when you wash your hands just with water it only washes of the dirt that you can see. BY AMELIE

### Bread Mould Experiment

Two weeks ago 30.4.20 Room 8 did an experiment on how bacteria and germs effect bread. They used seven pieces of untouched white bread. Seven kids were chosen and had different assignments some didn't wash their hands, only used hand sanitizer and more! Including frequently touched surfaces in the classroom. Where all touched with the white bread.

What happened? Well everyday mould slowly grew! And last Thursday 7.5.20. Room 8 had a look! They were quite surprised with the results. The one with the most mould was no washing hands/dirty hands. Second was hands with just water. Third was sanitizer. Fourth hands washed properly and lastly was classroom surfaces. Also meaning that the cleaners at Little Grove Primary are doing a good job! So does this change the way you wash your hands? By. Eleanor

### Bread Mould Experiment - By Will.

Last week we used 7 pieces of bread to find out if we have germs or bacteria on different surfaces. We came back after lunch and we touched bread with dirty hands, hand sanitiser, just water, control and soap.

We found out that dirty hands were the mouldiest. I found it interesting that hand sanitiser was mouldier than soap and water. Only water was the second mouldiest. Control nearly had no mould.

### BREAD MOULD EXPERIMENT - By Amber

What did we do?

Last week we used 7 pieces of fresh white bread to find out if we have germs or bacteria on different surfaces. They were Classroom surfaces, Boys dirty hand, Girls dirty hands, just water, water and soap, hand sanitiser and a control that was the most important.

What did we find out?

I thought that classroom surfaces were going to have the most amount of mould, but it had the second least. Washing your hands with soap is the most effective and it works the best, but you can still use hand sanitiser. The results of classroom surfaces show the cleaners have done a good job



Enrolments Open for 2021 at Little Grove Primary School  
We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten, Pre-primary and Years 1-6  
to commence at Little Grove Primary in 2021. [Click here for Information](#)



## Chaplain's Chatter

G'day Little Grove Primary community,

As the world continues to change around us it is important that we make sure we stick together and look out for each other's best interests.....

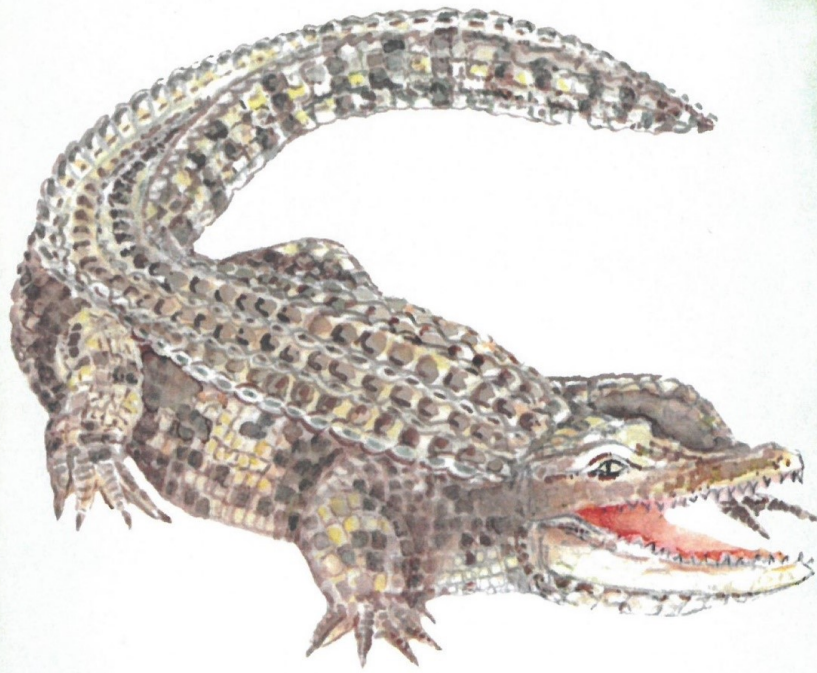
And so, continuing on in my new series "The Strengths of Nature" we're going to look at the "Nile Crocodile" and see what this reptile can teach us about taking care.

The Nile Crocodiles, despite being big, menacing and quite scary are also caring and gentle parents who put in a lot of time to care for and raise their young. To protect their eggs, the male will keep watch for birds and other predators who might come too close to the nesting mound to feast upon the eggs. The parents will also assist their young in hatching by gently using their tongues to help open the eggs. Finally, the mother will carry the young gently in her mouth to the safe space of the water where the young can grow up and learn to hunt and become fully-functioning adult crocs.

The Nile Crocodiles put a lot of effort into making sure that their young survive and are safe. This is a great and timely reminder to check in with your friends and family members to make sure that they are feeling safe and happy and to help them to feel protected and cared for. Though everything else may be changing, the way that we treat each other should always remain the same.

So, be like the Nile Crocodile and continue to look out for and take care of each other, and remember I am always available for a chat if you need.

Cheers, Jed.



*Crocodylus niloticus*

### *Nile Crocodile*

*The female guards her buried eggs for three months while the male often remains close by. At hatching time the parents sometimes roll the eggs between their tongue and upper palate to release the offspring, which the female then carries to the water in her mouth.*

## **TAKING CARE**

### **Event Quick View**

**Sun 17th May**

**Issue #3 Bookclub Order Due In**

**Fri 29th May**

**Room 3 Assembly - CANCELLED**

**Mon 1st June**

**WA Day - Public Holiday**

**Thu 4th June**

**NASHS Staff to visit Yr 6 LGPS**

**Tue 9th June**

**School Board Meeting**

