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2020 Term 3 Week 5

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## Principal Messages

Time is certainly flying and it is already Week 5. Students are all settled into classes and working away around the restrictions.

I do want to acknowledge the disappointment of changing our routines, such as cancelling our excursions which compliment our learning in class. Our inter-school sporting events have also had to be cancelled. This is a state-wide decision to ensure students safety.

It is also hard closing our gates to parents because our school is very much part of the community. To keep you more involved in what is happening in the classroom teachers have made a considerable effort to place photos and information on our on-line Facebook platform. Keep checking each day for these updates, so you can stay informed. We upload videos of learning, art-works, writing samples and photos of the students during the day so you can stay connected.

Yesterday, while on lunchtime duty I took these great snaps of the students just enjoying their playtime! Students are always involved in imaginative play, they borrow sports equipment and make their own games up, dig in the vegetable garden and just get to do what kids do best...play!





## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our attendance rate still needs to improve across K-6. Please make sure that you send your students to school on time each day to maximise their learning. Missing a day, impacts their achievement, academic growth and self-confidence.

Students should be at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu-like symptoms to be sent home.

NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical centre.

Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school.

Schools are not required to conduct widespread temperature screening or mandate the wearing of a mask.

All schools will be vigilant when implementing infection control, physical distancing and personal hygiene protocols to protect the health and safety of students and staff. Schools will promote the need to follow good hygiene practices such as:

- regularly washing hands
- avoiding sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately
- filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.

## LUNCH

We have a growing number of parents delivering and dropping lunch off at school each day. Due to COVID restrictions, **all parents must do this via the office**. Students are not to collect their lunches at gates and fences during the day. Lunch is only to be delivered to the office. Students will be told that they cannot go the fences and gates to pick-up goods. It is also important to mention that parents can only supply food to their own children. To be honest, during this time it is preferable that students come to school with their lunch, as staff now have to manage lunch deliveries and this sometimes means that they miss their own lunch breaks, as they also need to complete playground duties. We need to uncomplicate matters during COVID.

**Please be aware that lollies, chocolate, sugary foods and drinks should be minimised. Please consider packing a healthy lunch to help the students concen-**





## **SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/SCHOOL SITE USAGE**

Additional safety measures for school activities have been put in place to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission in schools for the remainder of Term 3.

The following principles underpin these measures:

- ♦ Where possible, students will stay within their relevant cohort group (i.e. class, year group, or stage) for all learning activities within their school in order to limit close contact to the relevant student cohort.
- ♦ Interschool activities must remain within the local community or zone. This applies to all interschool sport and physical activities, curriculum activities, arts activities and extra-curricular activities organised or sponsored by the school. Schools must not travel outside of their local community area.
- ♦ Only providers that are essential to the delivery of curriculum can continue to provide services and programs until further notice.
- ♦ Parents/carers and other non-essential visitors are not allowed on the school site.
- ♦ All group singing (choirs) and/or other chanting activities, as well as the use of wind instruments in group settings, are not permitted.
- ♦ School formals, dances, graduation or other social events are not permitted at the moment.

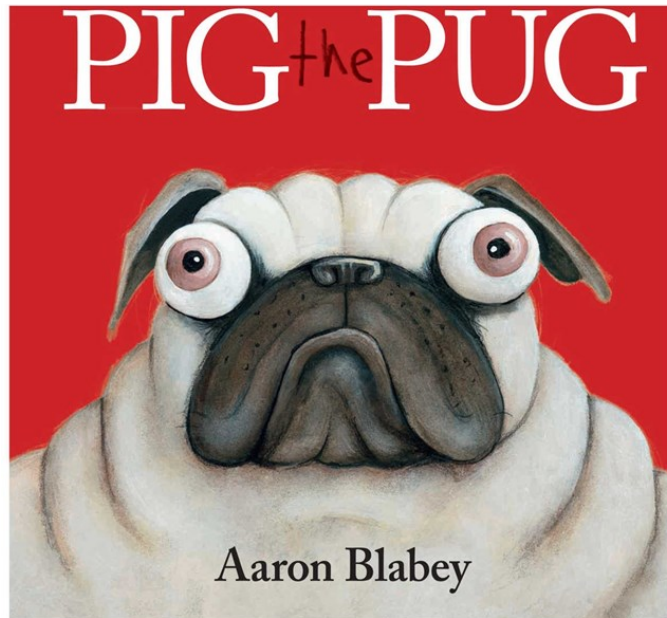
## **ACTIVITIES ON HOLD FOR TERM 3**

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

- Kindergarten orientation
- Year 7 orientation has been delayed until Term 4
- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Interstate excursions
- International excursions (cancelled until further notice)
- School or community-run playgroups
- Face-to-face professional learning for staff. Refer to the Physical distancing guidelines.
- Parent and carer attendance at assemblies and other school events
- Parent and carer volunteers – e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events
- Interschool sport, drama, debating and other events that are not within the local community or zone including gala days and regional sporting carnivals.

## YEAR 5/6 Writing

Year 5/6 have been having fun with reading well-known books about interesting literary characters. Last week students wrote a character description 'Pig the Pug', who features in a number of books suitable for Year K-2. He is selfish unlikeable character who finds many ways to entertain the reader. Students focused on using their imagination and hints from the texts to build up a description of a very interesting character.



### Pig the Pug

Beneath the Paris skyscrapers lies pig the pug in a small ancient apartment. His fellow house-mate is a kind -hearted pooch called Trevor.

Pig the pug is a lazy mutt. His bulging golf ball eyes make him look a little bit obscure and foolish. He has floppy ears and a pig like tail. Pig the pug is chubby and engulfed. Drool drips down his chin at the thought of food. His smooth white coat is normally as white as a dove until he rolls around in the mud.

This greedy pig is a posh spoilt dog. He is so wrapped up in himself and is very bad tempered. Pig accuses poor Trevor when one of his toys goes missing. A selfish beast. Trevor is the complete opposite, a charming cheerful sausage dog. He really gets on pig the pugs nerves when he beats him in a game.

Pig is not active and a glutton. He likes to steal and hide toys from Trevor. Throws major tantrums when things don't go his way. Screaming, yelling and crying is generally what you would see on a visit to his house. Pig likes to be alone and prances down the hallway like a leader. Thinks he is the boss.

Pig the pug is mischievous and competitive. A filthy slob. He is not someone to play with. I am glad he isn't my dog!

By Meg

# Pig the Pug

Pig the pug shares a room with a kind-hearted sausage dog, Trevor who he often torments. The duo lives in a small apartment in Sydney. They are very cheeky canines. On most days, Pig is found often lounging on the sofa or playing inside.

Pig is an average pug dog, apart from the heavy weight he carries from his selfish state. His coat of fur is sleek and his curly tail chases Pig around as he jumps on Trevor with drool in his mouth. His bulging eyes stalk visitors as he's settling down. His ears flop down as his gnashed teeth swallows up kibble.

Pig is a lethargic pug who always thinks he's king, he's a spoiled brat that always likes to cheat when he's playing games with Trevor. He whines and whinges when he loses every competitive race or fashion show he plays with any other dog. He plans every single night to ruin Trevor's dinner or steal his newly bought toys. Every single dinner after Pigs evil plans he stuffs food aggressively in his mouth and thinks it's a competition. He always stays inside to watch his favourite TV show "Goofy Grape", which he watches for hours.

Pig is a lazy creature and will always be one. It's very hard to be friends with Pig, Trevor is an angel for living beside this disgusting, filthy animal.

By Jie Ann



# Pig the Pug

Buried in the centre of the big city of Paris, there lived two spoiled pooches named Pig and Trevor. They live in a small flat, historic but contemporary.

Pig the pug as greedy as he looks, is quite posh! At the same time he's chubby lethargic and his golf ball eyes bulge out of his pig like body. His swirling rolls are full of blubber and his tongue looks paralysed and ugly. The excess weight flops down to the floor covering his small feet as he trots around like he's on the red carpet. His smooth, dirty fur follows his body up to his droopy face that always looks miserable.

This pompous, mean guzzler is wrapped up in himself. Sitting on the sofa like he owns the place and abusing innocent Trevor with brutal insults and orders. When he wins he cheats and when he unfairly takes the trophy Trevor will not hear the end of it. He has a bad temper and the tantrums that this canine pulls are from little, meaningless causes.

He is never kind, nor considerate. He's a lone wolf who stuffs his face and acts like a total brat. He hides and steals toys and grins evilly.

Pig the pug is naughty and grumpy. This rude slob is certainly not nice or someone you would like to have fun with simply because he is no fun.

By Sophie

## PIG THE PUGDOG

Pig the pug is a greedy mean slob who lives with a thoughtful young pup, named Trevor.

Pig is a chubby round dog who looks like a pig with his round fat body, big bulging eyes that look like ping pong balls. He has a slinky-like tail and rolls on his gut the size of hot dogs. He trots around thinking he is the ruler and is in charge of Trevor and the entire house.

When it's dinner Trevor always gets less food because Pig steals the kibble. Pig always looks like a watermelon after dinner because he is so gluttonous. He has an insatiable appetite and his needs are hardly met.

Pig is a super competitive dog, who will never let Trevor win anything! He will hog and steal anything of Trevor's. He will lay around all day like a sloth, while Trevor enjoys the time he has with his owners. He is a spoilt brat who controls Trevor and poses in the mirror thinking he's awesome and beautiful. He is self-centred and pompous.

Pig the pug is an egocentric fat slob that looks like melted ice cream and is wrapped up in himself like a greedy Pig!



By Rhys

## Year 5/6 Artworks

Students have designed their own Patterned Pooch!

