

Wednesday 3rd June, 2020

Repton Public School

Newsletter – Term 2 Week 6

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Principal's Message

Current Restrictions: Thank you to all families who have been so prompt in returning all equipment borrowed over the learning from home period. We were able to support many families with technology, books, stationery and materials and they have been well looked after and all returned. Some charger cords may still be at home, if you can have a look please. A few books remain at home and can be returned during weekly library lessons. We appreciate your care and effort in getting these things back for our students.

Literacy and Numeracy: Our assessment and reporting practices will focus on literacy and numeracy skills and a general comment for this Semester. We can report on general learning habits and interests as outlined by DoE. Our focus remains strong on supporting our students develop strong literacy skills in the early years with the support of our targeted literacy group sessions uninterrupted for 2hrs 4 days a week. We have learning and support staff working with individuals during this time and speech groups with 1:1 assistance with Miss Vanessa for some students. Our Numeracy blocks are working well and now all classes are receiving specific support in these classes to support raising our student outcomes and achieving growth for all students. We are targeting higher order thinking and problem solving for high performing students.

Art classes: We enjoyed our first official session of Art classes instead of cooking with Miss Vanessa and Mrs Buckley last Friday. The beautiful pictures inspired by watercolour paintings were created by the Platypus group. We have some very talented students and staff at Repton Public School.

Long Weekend: Please use this long weekend to enjoy an extra day with family, friends and loved ones. As the restrictions are changing we need to maintain our vigilance with health and safety whilst adapting to the new normal with our nearest and dearest. Relax and rejuvenate.

Feeling very grateful,
Mrs Kristy Glyde,

Principal

REPTON 2020

JUNE

8th June Queens Birthday P/H

17th June P&C Meeting Zoom
5.30 pm

JULY

3RD July Last Day Term 2

20th July Staff Development
Day

21st Students return to
school

Attendance:

If your child is unwell, do not send them to school. If they are unwell at school, you or your nominated emergency contact will need to collect them immediately. Please ensure your child's contact details are up to date.

If a student is absent without a medical reason for more than three days, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and will be followed up by the school.

Thought of the Day

**"No one can ever take your memories from you – each day is a new beginning, make good memories every day."
~ Catherine Pulsifer**

K/1



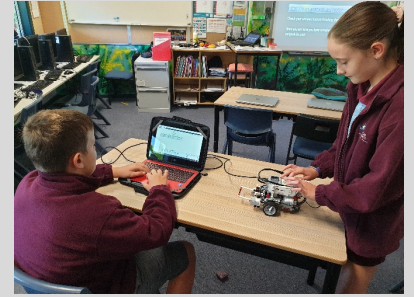
K/1 acknowledged Reconciliation week with lessons to learn about Aboriginal culture. We listened to a Gumbaynggirr platypus and emu Dreaming story and created art works of emus inspired by Aboriginal Art.

2/3/4



2/3/4 utilised our beautiful environment to extend their learning and understanding of how words are constructed. What a fun and creative spelling experience!

5/6



5/6 have been making progress with their LEGO EV3 robotics and coding kits. We've connected the designs to laptops via USB cables for a more advanced and interesting coding experience.

Art



Art is the new focus in our K-6 group rotations this term. Students are encouraged to choose their preferred medium to explore as they learn and engage in expressing themselves.

Garden



Students were very busy in the garden on Friday. There were Rosella flowers to harvest, cauliflower seedlings to plant, worm juice to harvest and plenty of weeding to get the beds back in order.

Music



In music this week, students were creating rhythms and melodies on the Djembe drums and xylophones. We played each separately then combined to play together in the beautiful sunshine outside. It sounded great!



PRODUCE TABLE

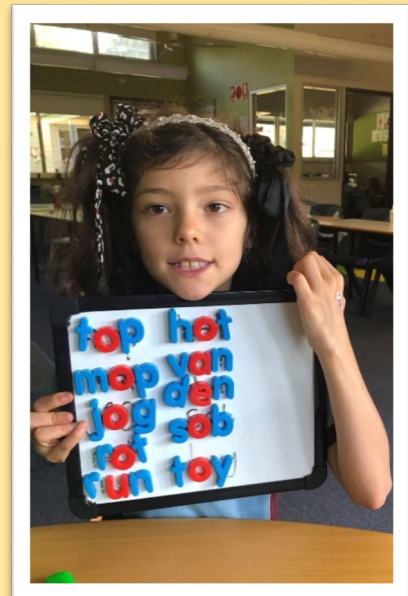
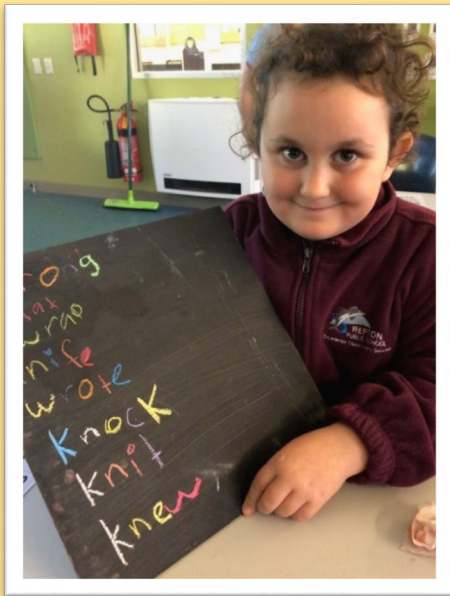
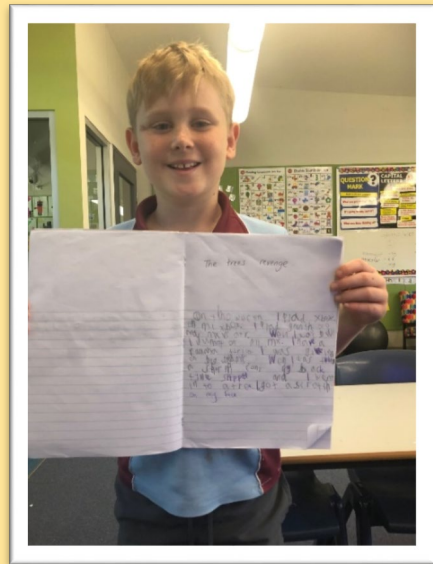
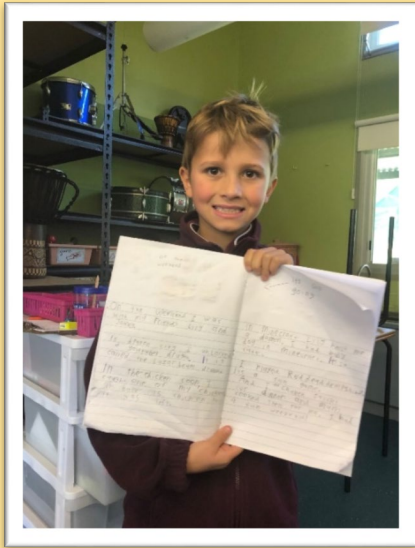
Students sell produce they have grown at school on a Produce table.

50c flowers & mags

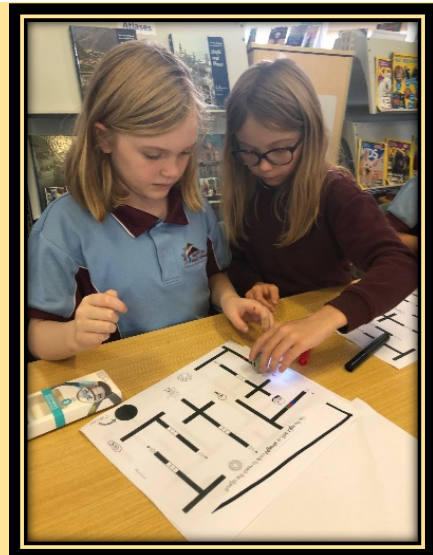
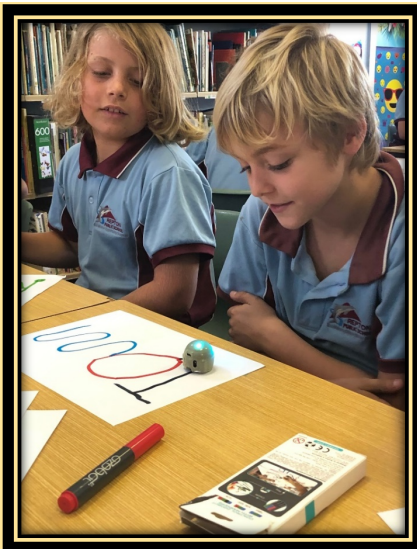
\$1 lettuce bunch

\$2 succulents!!!

\$2.50-\$3.50 worm juice



Mrs Glydes Literacy Group working with words and extended writing.



Ozobot STEM

Help Needed to cover readers – If you are able to help out could you please call the Beverley or Sue at the office to have the readers and contact sent home. We would love to have these covered asap so students can start to use them.

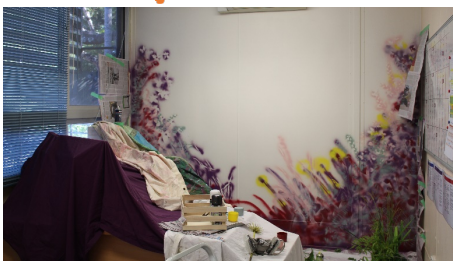
BOOK CLUB DUE 17TH June 2020

Student banking – Commonwealth Bank

The Commonwealth Bank has advised that Student Banking is still not available.

Start Smart Parent Resources have been created to assist parents and carers in improving their children's money management skills. These free, short videos and worksheets can be accessed from home and are designed to give students the confidence and skills to make smart decisions about money. To find out more, visit commbank.com.au/parent

Thank you Vanessa & Max for my new look office – still a work in progress



High Performing Students

Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2021

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2021?

You must apply online at:
[education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/
selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-
classes/year-5](http://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5)



Key dates

Application website opens:
Tuesday 9 June 2020

Application website closes:
5 pm, Friday 26 June 2020
You must apply before this deadline

'Test authority' letters sent to all applicants:
Wednesday 2 September 2020

Opportunity Class Placement Test:
Wednesday 16 September 2020

Placement outcome information sent overnight on:
Tuesday 1 December 2020

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

Note: The information in this document is available in an accessible format on the Department's website.

Parents* should check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5 regularly throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team*.

Contact Details:

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Please Note:

*In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

*'Parent' is defined under the Education Act, 1990 as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'