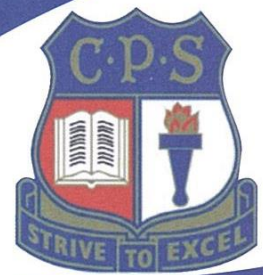


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Dear Families

Week 10 – Term 1

31 March 2020

The NSW Government is continuing to take additional measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 through the community. To do this, parents and carers are strongly encouraged to keep their children home if possible.

Some people may not be in a position to provide supervision to their children at home. Parents and carers who are delivering frontline services to the community are able to send their children to school to be supervised.

Whether children are learning at home or at school, they will be participating in the same learning activities. Our learning at home program, through offline or online means, will continue for the next 2 weeks and perhaps into next term, depending on government advice.

Most students are able to keep in contact with their teacher through Google Classroom or ClassDojo. For those who are learning in an offline environment, through the work packs sent home at the start of last week, the contact through ClassDojo is very important. If you are not able to communicate through ClassDojo please touch base with the school throughout the week by phone, to stay connected.

For those learning online, the following link provides some great advice for families.

<https://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/>



Respectful

Understand online behaviour and its effects.

Empathy and resilience

Online communication



Responsible

Think critically and be digitally aware.

Digital identity

Managing information



Safe

Protect your security, privacy and wellbeing.

Screen time and games

Security and privacy

Please also remember there are many offline activities that siblings can do together when learning at home, encouraging problem solving, creativity, cooperation and collaboration.

- Lego
- Puzzles
- Board games
- Card games <https://www.todayparent.com/family/activities/10-kid-friendly-card-games/#gallery/kid-friendly-card-games/slide-1>
- Recycling Craft – from what you would put in the recycling bin (eg cereal boxes, cardboard, yoghurt tubs etc)
- Backyard play
- Gardening
- Cooking / baking

One of the most unexpected outcomes of this time is giving our children time to reconnect with family. Please never underestimate the importance of play to healthy brain development. The skills children develop through play only enhance their learning opportunities.

Children who play **ARE HAPPIER AND PERFORM BETTER IN CLASS**

