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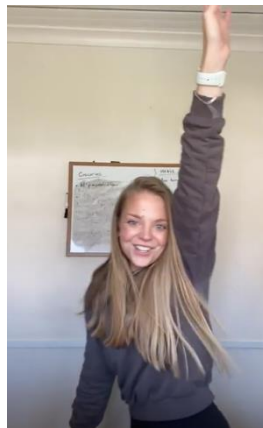
Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers,

Remote learning will continue for the first four weeks of Term 4. We will be continuing online learning from Tuesday 5 October. Students can return to onsite learning from Monday 1 November (Week 5, Term 4).

We hope this letter finds you well! Over the past few weeks, we (like your child) have been on a journey navigating and chartering some unknown terrains (of the online learning variety)! As we come to the end of Term 3, we recognise that the strengths in our collective ability to remain positive, resilient and patient have served us well together—both as educators and our students as learners. We are proud of how far we have come already. We are taking on feedback from parents and students to improve our methods and adapt to the new challenges we are given.

Daily and Weekly Expectations

- Google Docs uploaded daily to Google Classroom.
- Daily whole class Google Meets to explain the work, mark attendance and answer questions.
- Small group Google Meets once a week for additional academic and social support.
- Feedback given daily (within 24hours) of work submitted.
- Exciting and engaging additional activities such as cooking shows, 'Choose Your Own Adventure' slides, and creative art ideas to support student wellbeing and enjoyment of learning.



Unit of Inquiry

- We are continuing our overarching Unit of Inquiry 'Who We Are', which focuses on mental wellbeing and emotional development.
- 'Where We Are in Place and Time' will begin in Week 1, Term 4.
- This unit explores geography & history with particular focus on migration and the motivations behind it.
- We will be utilising virtual field trips to museums and employ new interactive teaching tools (such as Peardeck) to support student learning and engagement.

Assessment

We'll continue to assess students' work during the remote learning period. Ongoing assessment is important for improving learning and ensuring we know what each student's next steps in learning should be. We will be using a range of strategies and tools to help our students engage in their learning, provide feedback and assess against the learning as they go. Assessment may look slightly different than it did in the classroom, however it's still happening, and we can judge how well a student is learning, albeit remotely.

Specialist Programme 3-6

The Specialist Teachers will provide class work for your child via Google Classroom during remote learning. Your child's class teacher will include the work as part of the daily schedule, once for the week. The work can be done anytime that suits you and your child during the week.

The specialist teaches want you and your children to enjoy being together and you are welcome to adapt the work as you see fit to suit your circumstances. For the fast finishers, remember there are extra resources, suggestions for structuring your child's day and details on how to access eBooks, the Cultural Institution website activities and the ABC, on the Education Directorate Learning Resources page: <https://sites.google.com/ed.act.edu.au/act-home-learning/resources/ebook-library>

We are looking forward to starting Term 4 with a fresh start, a more experienced "online-learning" lens and better tools to help equip our students to be the amazing learners that they are. As always, we are open to feedback and continue to encourage communication with regular phone calls and emails. We hope you enjoy this well-deserved two-week break and will "see" you in a few short weeks.

(Please note that as Monday 4 October is a Public Holiday, **Term 4 will commence Tuesday 5 October**)

Thank you for your continued support,

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