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Important Date

Monday 23 rd August to Friday 27 th August	Book Week
Friday 17 th September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 4 th October	Public Holiday
Tuesday 5 th October	First day of Term 4 for everyone
Thursday 16 th December	Last day of school for 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are at the end of Week 6. We are more than half way through a very different Term 3 and today the Premier announced an extension of the Stay at Home orders and stronger restrictions. Please make sure you are aware of all the updates by keeping track of the NSW Health guidelines.

Congratulations to every member of our Lakemba community for the fantastic job you are doing making sure your family and all the other families in our community safe. As our local government area (LGA) has been one of the most affected it is so important that we follow the directions of NSW Health and the NSW Government which say to stay at home and not visit family or friends. By being socially responsible we can call play our part in keeping our community safe.

Each week teachers make phone contact with families to support them in assisting their child's learning from home. This contact with families and students is extremely important as teachers use the weekly conversations to mark their rolls. Students are marked absent if there is no phone contact each week or there is no evidence of students working online.

Please be patient if you are contacting the school as we are operating with very few staff onsite. There is only one staff member in the office.

Keep smiling and taking care of yourself and your families. Take care and stay safe.

Kind regards,
Jann Price

Staff

Mrs Ghantous has begun her leave prior to the expected birth of her baby next month. We wish her and her family well as they prepare to welcome their new baby.

We would like to welcome Mr Andrew McMahon who will be teaching 3/4G for the remainder of the year. He is

familiar with Lakemba as he has worked at our school this year. Mr McMahon spent a few days meeting the students and working with them when he worked with Mrs Ghantous Prior to her beginning leave. We are looking forward to working with Mr McMahon.

Ms Adhami will be also going on leave from the end of next week as she and her husband prepare to welcome their baby next month. We wish them well and much happiness.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Andika back to Lakemba two days a week from the end of August. She will be working in a support role across the school.



We are very excited to announce that from Monday 23rd August teachers will be holding a Zoom meeting with their class once a week.

Monday – Stage 2 – 3E, 3M, 3TH, 3/4G, 4C

Tuesday – Stage 1 – 1CH, 1N, 1W, 1/2A, 2F, 2G

Thursday – Early Stage 1 – KA, KB, KH, KR

Friday – Stage 3 – 5I, 5WB, 5/6M, 6O, 6P

The time and link for the Zoom meeting will be posted in each class' Google Classroom. How to guides will also be posted.

The aim of the Zoom sessions is for students to connect with their teacher and classmates. Teachers will not be teaching a lesson during the Zoom session.

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone!!

Combined Public Schools Music Festival

With the current lockdown the CPSMF has been cancelled for 2021. We know that our choir, dance groups and drummers will be disappointed, but we must consider everyone's safety.

Kindergarten Enrolments

Children who turn 5 before 1st August 2022 are eligible to begin school next year. Parents and carers should complete the application online through the link on the school website. <https://lakemba-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Book Week



Every year since 1945 Australia has celebrated books during Book Week. Each year the Children's Book Council of Australia uses a theme to highlight the importance of reading. People read for a variety of reasons – to learn, to gain information, to relax, to escape or to entertain.

This year's theme highlights the fact that readers can learn about the world in the past, in the future and at present.

This year we can't be together to celebrate in our usual way but that won't stop us celebrating. Mrs Pogalva has organised activities that throughout the week. The activities have been placed in the Week 7 Learning from Home packs. They are also included in this newsletter.

We are really looking forward to sharing lots of photographs of students and families enjoying the Book Week fun.

Learning from Home Packs

Learning from Home Packs are available from the front of the school from 9am to 2.30pm every day.

New packs are available from Monday each week.

The Learning from Home Packs are the same as the online learning so if your child is learning online, they do not need a paper pack. We understand that some students are working online and on paper. This is a great way to manage the amount of time students are spending online.

2021 Opportunity Class Placement Test

As a result of the most recent advice from NSW Health regarding the duration of Covid-19 restrictions the Opportunity Class Placement Test for 2020 Year 4 students has been delayed until Wednesday 6th October. Parents and carers will be contacted with further details.

How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users



for Android users



for more info visit skoolbag.com.au



School as Community Centre News

Hello again.

It has been lovely to see some of you posting on WhatsApp and also to talk to some on the Chai and Chat sessions with Rojalin and Satarala. We understand that it is hard to get a few moments to yourself with children around but hope it is worth the effort when you can.

Vaccines: Covid-19 vaccines are FREE for everyone in Australia, even if you are not an Australian citizen or permanent resident. This includes people without a Medicare card, overseas visitors, international students, migrant workers and asylum seekers. Go to www.health.nsw.gov.au.

www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/

Hopefully those of you who are wanting a vaccination have seen the posts for the pop up clinics which are happening in the area now. Going out to get vaccinated is allowed and it does make me feel a little safer knowing that I've had mine.

Play 2 Learn Playgroup: Families who are part of this group should have all received a call and an invitation to be part of our WhatsApp group by now. Save the Children is posting regular videos of play activities for your kids and I am joining the *Chai and Chat* sessions for parents on Wednesdays.

Keeping children happy and occupied indoors every day is difficult for everyone. I hope you can find time to read, sing and play with your child for some part of every day. It really helps!

Here is a link to a series of videos on You Tube which provide short fun play and exercise sessions for children. Thanks to Child's Play for providing these for free. <https://youtu.be/xunSX36BeDg>

Emergency Relief: Many families will be finding this time very difficult financially if you have lost work. There are a number of local organisations providing support with food hampers and vouchers, help with energy and chemist bills, phone and internet costs. The NSW Government also has assistance packages for individuals and businesses. Contact www.service.nsw.gov.au.

- Metro Assist: All appointments are to be via phone consultation Bankstown office 8709 0200 or Campsie office 97893744.
- Prosper Project Campsie: Call 0404 787571 to check supply.
- Muslim Women's Association: Call 9750 6916 to check availability and make an appointment.
- Greek Welfare Centre: Lakemba St. Call 9740 6022.

I will be posting a story or song on the Centre Facebook page every Wednesday. [#readandsingwithmeathome](https://www.facebook.com/LakembaSaCC/).

Next week (starting 23rd August) there will be some books available for you to take for your kids when you pick up your home learning packs. Please only take one so as many as possible get a book. Enjoy!

All the information about community programs are posted on our Facebook page.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/LakembaSaCC/>



Ring Wendi on 0404 015 001 for more information or just for a chat.

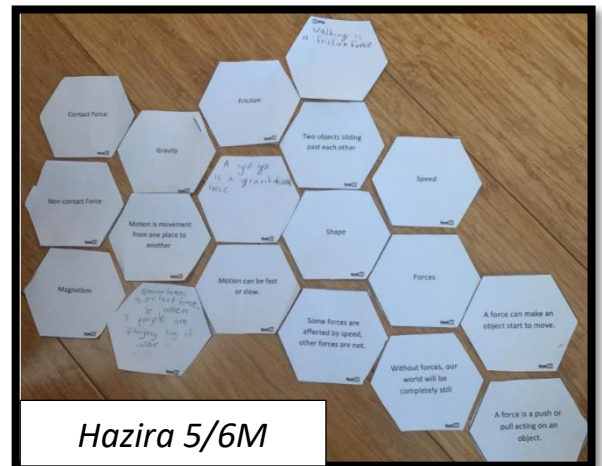


Critical and Creative Thinking at LPS this Term!

Have a look at some of the fantastic CCT work students have done while learning from home this term...



Aliya 5/6M

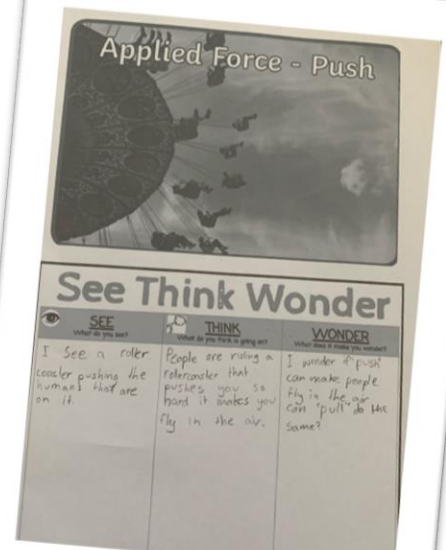


Hazira 5/6M

Hexagonal Thinking in Stage 2 and 3...

Students were given hexagon tiles with ideas they had shared in their first week about what they know about forces. They cut the hexagons out and rearranged them to show how they thought the words and sentences are connected.

There were also blank hexagons for students to write down their own examples and ideas.



Stage 2 and 3 students used the 'See, Think, Wonder' routine to think more deeply about contact and non-contact forces.

1-2-3 Bridge

3 things I learnt were:

- That forces make things stop and go. (like a toy car)
- Friction is when two things rub against each other.
- If you try to push a car with lots of force the force would come back to you.

2 things I found interesting was that:

- When you push a car the force comes back to you.
- If you want to make your toy car go fast you have to put it on a smooth surface.

1 Question that I have is:

- How many forces are there altogether?



Stage 3 students used the '3-2-1 Bridge' thinking routine after reading the book 'Forces Make Things Move'. They shared 3 things they learnt, 2 things they found interesting and 1 question they have about forces.

Hazira 5/6M

Critical and Creative Thinking
My Reflection Journal

Name: Rhaffi Date: 12/8/2021
Class: 3TH

BEFORE
What is the challenge?
Design a parachute

Brainstorm ideas:

What materials do you need?

1. Woolworth fruit plastic bag
2. Sewing string
3. toy

Draw a labelled diagram:

AFTER

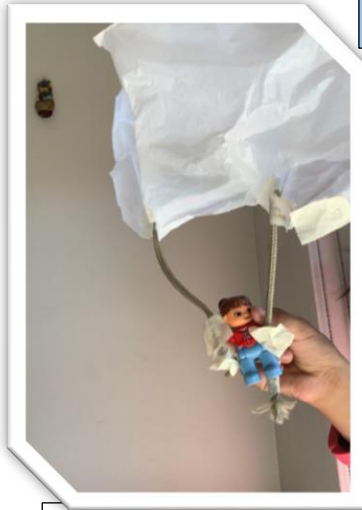
What worked?
yes it worked,
but parachute goes down so fast.

How can you make it better?
use more lighter toy such as lego human toy

What would you do differently?
I would try to use a fabric bag

Rhaffi 3TH

Have a look at our Stage 2 critical and creative thinkers as they completed the Week 5 STEM challenge.



Aisha.S 3E

They needed to design a parachute using different materials that they think will work best.



Critical and Creative Thinking
Think, Puzzle, Explore Thinking Routine Template

Think: We push and pull something.

Puzzle: are there different kind of forces?

Explore: I read some of information from internet.

THINK, PUZZLE, EXPLORE

Stage 2 also used the 'Think, Puzzle, Explore' routine to share what they think they know about forces, what questions they have and how they might explore their questions further.

Name of Animal:
Owl

Picture

Interesting Facts:

- Owls have large eyes and flat face.
- Owls can turn their heads as much as 270 degrees.
- Owls are active at night.

Arisha 1/2A

Name of Animal:
Bat

Picture

Interesting Facts:

- There are over 1500 species of bats worldwide. Bats may be small but they are fast little creatures. Bats are the only mammal of flight.

Zayan.A 2F

Stage 1 students created a collecting card that shows their favourite nocturnal animal.

Some families think that parks and playgrounds are special places. What does your family think?
Look at the picture below and write down what you SEE, THINK and WONDER about it.

SEE	THINK	WONDER
Slide Swing Trees children playing	Park is a beautiful place to spend time	beautiful trees and playground.

Ahnaf KA

Kindergarten students used the 'See, Think, Wonder' while learning about special places.

MY READING SPOT MONDAY

CAPTURE A WHACKY, WEIRD OR WHIMSICAL READING POSITION

What do I do?

Snap a photo of your own unique way of reading - In a pool, with a pet, upside down...

The only limit is your imagination, your safety, and Covid restrictions.

Entries will be shared on our LPS social media pages.

How do I enter?

Click a picture of yourself and post it on Google classroom in 'Book Week' folder.

MENTION YOUR HOUSE COLOUR TO EARN HOUSE POINTS!

TRANSFIGURATION TUESDAY

CELEBRATE YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER'S COSTUME

Enter one or ALL of these categories:

GET IN COSTUME: Old or new, it doesn't matter - send us a snap of you in a book week costume!

GET CRAFTY: Make a costume (wearable or not) from items you can find around the house

GET CREATIVE: Illustrate a costume for a book character in ANY medium
Entries will be shared on our social media pages.

How do I enter?

Click a picture of yourself and post it on Google classroom in 'Book Week' folder.

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WHERE IN THE WORLD WEDNESDAY

GUESS THE BOOK AND GET ACTIVE AT THE SAME TIME

What is it?

By looking at the pictures guess the names of the books they represent and write the name of the books next to the pictures.

Can I google the answers?

Yup! Research is **ALLOWED AND ENCOURAGED**, but our biggest book buffs may not need it!

A COPY OF THE ACTIVITY WILL BE PROVIDED IN YOUR LEARNING PACKS AND ON YOUR GOOGLE CLASSROOM IN THE 'BOOK WEEK' FOLDER.

TRIVIA THURSDAY

PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND REFLEXES TO THE TEST WITH OUR LITERARY KAHOOT!

What will it be on?

You don't have to be the world's biggest reader to participate. Questions will range from famous children's books, emoji book titles to film adaptations of books.

Don't I need to be online at a certain time to do this?

Nope! This Kahoot will be set as a challenge, meaning you can see the questions AND answers on your own screen, and you can start it at any time!

A LINK TO THE KAHOOT WILL BE POSTED ON your Google classroom on Monday (Week 7) Book week.

BOOKFACE FRIDAY

HOW WELL CAN YOU MATCH YOUR FACE WITH A BOOK?

What do I do?

Find a book with a face (or other body part) on the cover. Line it up with your own. Snap a photo. The goal is to make the transition between the book and yourself as seamless as possible!

But I don't have any books with faces on the cover at home!

Don't worry! Just take a picture of yourself, find a picture of a book cover using Google Images, and use an image editing program (or even Microsoft Word) to align one over the other.

How do I enter?

Click a picture of yourself and post it on your Google classroom in 'Book Week' folder.

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BOOK WEEK 2021

OLD WORLDS,

NEW WORLDS,

OTHER WORLDS