



Term 3, Week 6
16 August, 2021

LEARNING RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY SAFETY

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Principal Message

As you would already know the Premier has extended lockdown. This means that our students will continue to Learn from Home this week. Our school remains open with minimal supervision to support students who need to be at school. A huge thank you to our families and community for your support. The Wallsend community continues to support each other as we come together through this time.

Our teachers are working hard to provide engaging material and to check in on our students. If you see an unknown caller between 8.30-3.30 it may be your classroom teacher ringing to see what support, we can offer you and your child. If we can help, in anyway please contact the school.

We have been excited to see so many of you learning online and so many people working on their Learning packs. Packs were put out for collection last Thursday and Friday. Most packs have already been collected. If you still need to collect your pack, please ring the doorbell on Martindale street between 8.30 – 3.30 and your pack will be brought out to you.

In the pack you will find instructions for our Zoom check-ins, including the meeting ID and password. This information has also been sent out via Seesaw and the Sentral Parent Portal. These check-ins will happen twice a week for each class. It may not always be your classroom teacher conducting your Zoom session, this will depend on the staff rostered onsite. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, to add a bit of fun and excitement, the Zoom calls will have a theme. This week the theme is 'Crazy hair or wear a hat!' Please find things around your house for these theme days. It is just for fun and not compulsory. If lockdown should continue, we will also be organising a Wrigglers Zoom in the coming weeks. See the Zoom timetable below.

Week 6 Zoom

Zoom Times:

- Kindergarten: Tuesday and Thursday 9.20 - 9.40
- Stage 1 + 2/3S: Tuesday and Thursday 10.00 - 10.30
- 3/4S: Monday and Wednesday 9.20 - 9.40
- 3/4L: Monday and Wednesday 9.40 - 10.00
- 4/5C: Monday and Wednesday 10.00 - 10.20
- 3/6J: Monday and Wednesday 10.20 - 10.40
- Stage 3: Monday and Wednesday 10.40 - 11.00

Theme

Wednesday and Thursday crazy hat or hair.
Look around your house to find a crazy hat or style your hair crazy.

Just a reminder that Learning from Home is different for every family. Do what works for you. There are no set rules. Students should break the day up with time outside, reading and sharing stories or participating in activities that help maintain wellbeing. We are currently working on additional materials to support in this area. The table below shows suggested times, but again, look after your family first.

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Time expectation for families

Early stage 1	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6
Total hours per day: 2.5 hours per day plus other activities.	Total hours per day: 2.5 hours per day plus other activities.	Total hours per day: 3 hours per day plus other activities.	Total hours per day: 3 hours per day plus other activities.	Total hours per day: 3.5 hours per day	Total hours per day: 3.5 hours per day	Total hours per day: Students in Year 11 and 12 will follow their usual pattern of study
Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 45-60 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of mathematics activities. 30-60 minutes of activities across other KLAs (creative arts, HSE, PDHPE and science/technology). 	Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 45-60 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of Mathematics activities. 30-60 minutes of activities across other KLAs (creative arts, HSE, PDHPE and science/technology). 	Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 45-60 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of mathematics activities. 1-1.5 hours of activities across other KLAs (creative arts, HSE, PDHPE and science/technology). 	Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 45-60 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of mathematics activities. 1-1.5 hours of activities across other KLAs (creative arts, HSE, PDHPE and science/technology). 	Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30-45 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of mathematics activities. 90-120 minutes of activities from creative arts, HSE, languages, PDHPE, science and technology and applied sciences. 	Key focus areas – core teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30-45 minutes of English activities. 30-45 minutes of mathematics activities. 90-120 minutes of activities from HSE, PDHPE, science and electives. 	Major project requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes have been made to the requirements for major projects in some practical subjects. NESA will continue to provide updates around changes to major projects and/or assessments for specific subjects.
Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	Additional learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other activities such as wellbeing, sport and physical activities, where social distancing allows. 	

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If your child is having fun Learning from Home we would love to see pictures. If you have photos of your children learning, cooking or completing our Olympic Challenge and you are happy to share them on our school Facebook page send them through to the school email on wallsend-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Each week we will share a compilation.

We care deeply about our community. Reach out if you need support. We are an email or phone call away. Please continue to look after one another and stay home, stay safe and stay connected. Together we are stronger.

Mrs Salena Langholz

Deputy Principal, Instructional Leader

P & C News

Wallsend Public School P & C Association will be holding a meeting on **Tuesday 17th August at 6.30pm via Zoom.**

If you would like to join us from the comfort of your lounge room please email the P & C at executive@wps-pnc.org.au and the log in details will be sent to you.

Father's Day Stall

Unfortunately due to the current situation with COVID-19, the 2021 Father's Day stall will be cancelled. A P & C representative will be in touch with people who have already placed orders and all money reimbursed.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

Uniform Shop

Orders that have been placed via Flexischools will be filled once lockdown ends. If you want to cancel your order please email Deb at uniforms@wps-pnc.org.au with the order number and child's name.