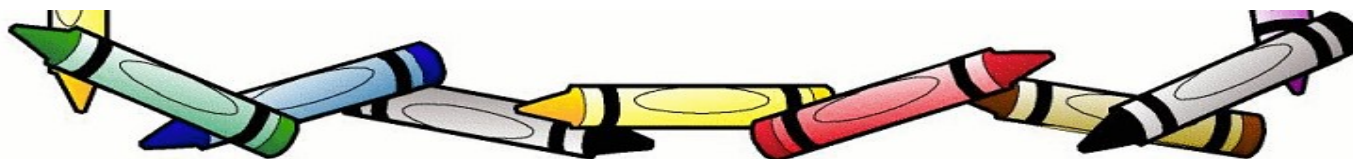




Week 5 Term 4 13/11/2019

Para Meadows School Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

I hope that all families were able to find somewhere to be safe and cool as we endured our first taste of summer. The students enjoyed a few sessions of movies in the hall or classrooms to keep out of the heat.

Future curriculum delivery

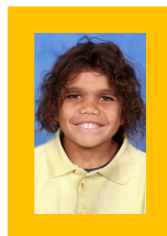
The teachers are currently working hard to create a more streamlined delivery of the curriculum.

In the Primary years we will work hard towards 50% of everyday developing skills in English and mathematics, while the rest of the day will be for PDHPE, history and geography, creative arts(dance, music, art and drama) science and technology including time working with the bot robots.

Throughout years 7-10, the focus will be on the mandatory subjects delivered over the four years and with a continued emphasis on English and mathematics. The students will have technology (food), history and geography, music, visual arts, PDHPE, science and technology and Indonesian lessons across the week. There will also be the opportunity for these students to develop skills outside of the classroom environment dependant upon individual student behaviours.

The senior years (11-12) is the area with the greatest change. We will only be offering the following six subjects: English, mathematics, PDHPE, food technology, visual arts and workers in the community. The students are required to achieve a minimum of one outcome per subject to achieve the HSC Life Skills over 240 hours study. We wish to increase the amount of time that the students are learning outside the classroom preparing for life after Para Meadows. This will be delivered to all students with additional support for students experiencing difficulties with behaviour.

Bucky News



Congratulation to Sean , Kobee and the students from HS 6 for doing as the teacher asks. Over the next two weeks we will be working on being careful walking in school, this includes giving way to others in at doorways. This is a great opportunity to encourage students to look and respect others when moving safely and walking at home and in the community.

Bucky says "Save the Date"

We will be having a family fun morning on Friday the 13th of December from 9am please come along with a picnic and blanket and an attitude to have some fun.

P & C Reminders

The P&C will be having a **Christmas Raffle** which will be drawn at **Assembly** on **6th December 2019**. Kindly send in your **donation** at the latest by **3rd December 2019**.

Also on the 6th of December a SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DISCO for all Staff and Students.

5cent fundraiser

Please return your bottles to the office by **22nd November 2019**.

Best regards for the upcoming fortnight,
Gill Hendry



Student Pages



HS 10

HS10 have had lots of fun programming BOTS, working at Greenacres and the Fire Station, Food Technology and working hard in class.



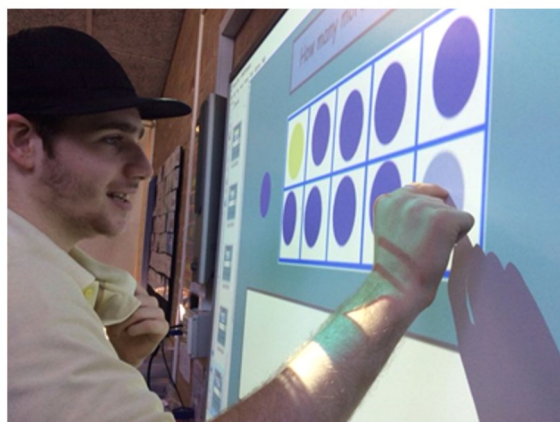
Emma programming a BOT



Mat working hard at the fire station and Emma learning to use a fire hose.



Jayme programming a BOT.



Jaiden enjoying maths work.



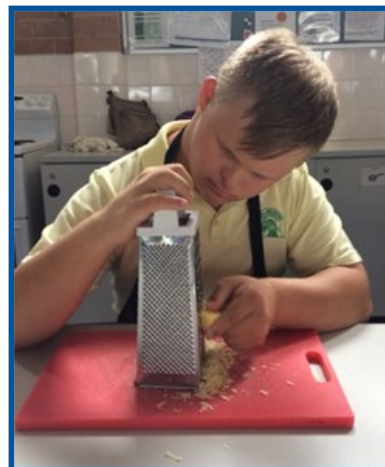
Jayme working on his addition skills



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HS 10



Taylah, Bryce and Jaiden preparing and mixing ingredients in food technology.



Mat concentrating very hard on his work.



Taylah programming a BOT.



Bryce doing a science experiment.

BUSHFIRE RESOURCES AND TIPS

https://www.autismtas.org.au/autism-and-bushfire-emergencies/?fbclid=IwAR2SUAReZsBS52rA7y_39505xeKn5tpUjX-qSU49hr6cXebvmb6VAqZ3P8s

This link is a great way to support your student around the upcoming and current bushfire season from Autism Tasmania, it provide simple social stories and tips to explain and reassure young and older students alike.

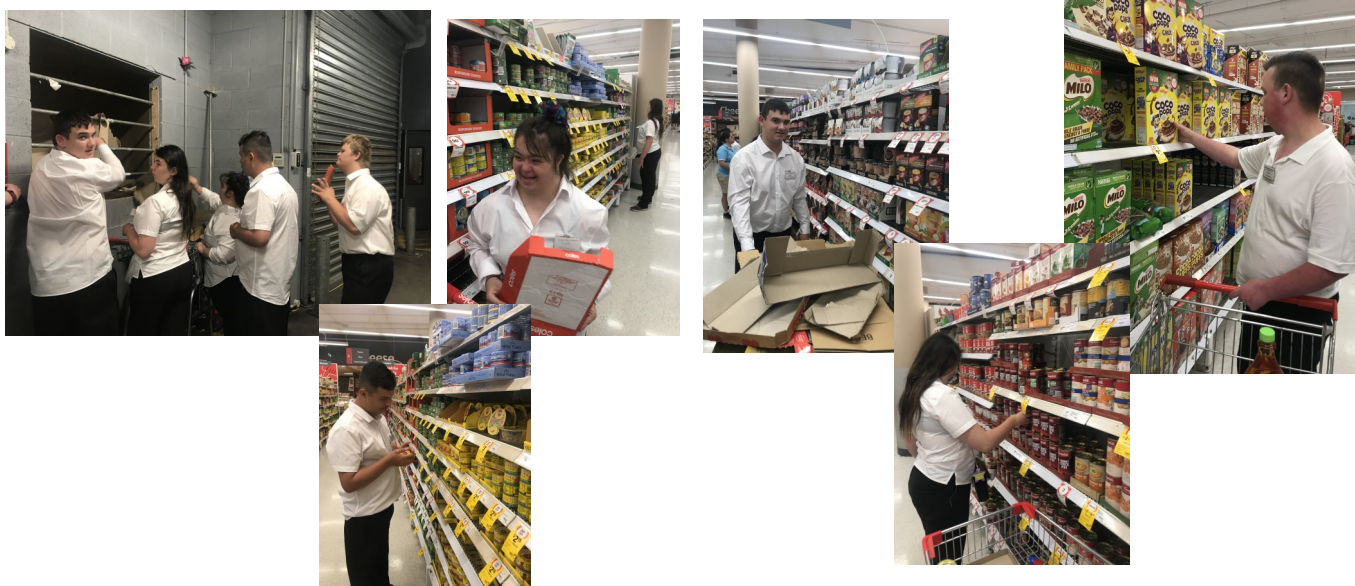
CAREERS NEWS

Our Stage 6 students are completing their WOW (Workers of Wollongong) program at Coles, Fairy Meadow. They have 90 minutes work experience each Friday by stacking shelves and crushing boxes. The highlight for some is pushing the boxes through the chute to be crushed at the end of work! Each student has been an exemplary representative for our school.

Post school options for year 12 students:

Merryl and I are liaising with the many post school option providers in the Illawarra to accommodate the year 12 students in participating in a taster program before the end of the year.

Please contact Lisa or Merryl if you would like your child to have a taster at your preferred site.



Attention Canteen volunteers:

If you are unable to attend your day please phone Tracy on 0438273836

CANTEEN ROSTER



Thu 14th Nov	Jessica
Fri 15th Nov	John
Mon 18th Nov	Jean
Tues 19th Nov	Amy
Closed	
Thu 21st Nov	Susanna
Fri 22nd Nov	Rita & Rita
Mon 25th Nov	Juliette
Tues 26th Nov	Adriana
Closed	
Thu 28th Nov	Jessica
Fri 29th Nov	Tracy

"Heads Up" from Merryl

"Heads Up" is a quick reminder or hint that families may find useful.



Today's "Heads Up" is on being a NDIS nominee.

A nominee under the NDIS is justified when it is not possible for the participant to be assessed to make decisions for themselves.

When the young person is under 18 the person with parental responsibility makes these decisions.

When the young person turns 18 you must apply to the NDIA to be the nominee for your young person if you wish to make decisions on their behalf.

If you wish to be the nominee an application needs to be completed as soon as your young person turns 18. The NDIS cannot communicate with you after your young person turns 18 if you are not the nominee.

Attached is the Nominee form you will need to complete. You will need to take 100 points of ID with you to the NDIA or Uniting office. The young person needs to agree to you being the nominee.