



GOOD NEWS

FROM THE STAFF OF PTPS

Wow!! The adventure that we have been on and continue to navigate has been one of enormous proportions. What has been achieved over the last two weeks by all – staff, students and parents/carers has been amazing and we need to celebrate:-

The staff:

- 🥰 have come to school with a smile and raring to go each and every day



- 🥰 taking this new way of teaching and learning in their stride – growth mindset at its best!



- 🥰 are collaborating with their stage colleagues in such a positive way that remarkable things are happening.



- 🥰 have created a Classroom for their class
- 🥰 connected with all their students to make sure they are ok and given support if needed
- 🥰 are learning new skills on this platform every day – the learning curve has been very steep
- 🥰 are providing feedback to ensure all students are on the right track
- 🥰 are accessible to all students during the working day and for some, this is more hours than they usually get.
- 🥰 Especially our office staff - trouble-shooting IT issues, calming parents and staff, going above and beyond their normal role – well done, ladies.

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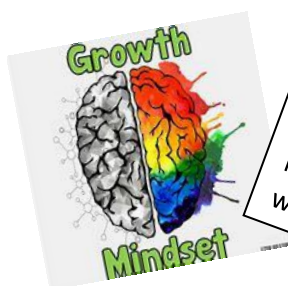
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The students:

- have embraced this type of teaching and learning - like ducks to water...head first
- as of today, 97% have been able to connect through Google Classrooms and if they haven't, they are working hard on their booklets/grids (even in their school uniform)



This is the brain activity of all our PTPS children as they manoeuvre through this new way of learning – WOW!!!



- have realised that life is all about learning not just what is planned by the classroom teacher (thank you parents for providing them with these opportunities)

Obstacle courses – design, create and have fun playing whilst learning!!!



Learning through fitness and a whole lot of talent and skill – WOW!



Netangles – creativity, fine motor skills, concentration, exploration and having fun whilst learning – all in the name of art!



Science in all its wonders – reading, measuring, experimenting, having fun whilst learning!!!



Cooking, cooking and more cooking – reading recipes, measuring ingredients, setting temperatures and timers, testing through taste, and ranking their 'yumminess' – fun part whilst learning!!!



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The parents/carers:

- for your patience, time, and working in partnership with the staff at our wonderful school. In the morning, in the afternoon, collecting booklets for a child – happy faces with a warm smile.
- providing opportunities beyond the curriculum to ensure your child is exposed to all experiences that are possible through these restricted times – they will come back ‘richer’ for it.
- who have asked for help because that is what we are here for – never too late to ask or continue to ask – we are all in this together.
- who are our essential workers. Thank you for helping to keep this country going.
- juggling working from home, home schooling and running a household – at the end I hope you have developed and built upon the skills you already have that make you the best parent/carer a child could ask for – thanks.
- allowing their children to be just kids – taking a break from online tasks or a booklet to be completed.
- throughout these uncertain times, have taken the time to thank the wonderful staff and appreciate the dedication, commitment and passion that they show as educators, and, with the parents/carers, ensuring that each and every child gets through this crazy adventure intact and better for it.

...thank you to all the staff at Pitt Town for all that you are doing at the moment. For keeping stability in my children's lives at this uncertain time I can't thank you all enough.

Thank you again for all your support during this trying time

Thanks for your ongoing support.

Keep on keeping us and the kids sane

Just know we are so thankful for everything you and the other teachers are doing. Can't wait to see you on the other side of this craziness!!

our pizza lunch was delicious.



Thank you for allowing us to walk this ‘adventure’ with you – be it frustrating, overwhelming, unpredictable, uncertain, worrisome, concerning and all those other horrible feelings we are all feeling at different times. At the end of this, we will come back stronger, braver, appreciative and grateful that we had each other.

WHAT A COMMUNITY! WHAT A TEAM!