



NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 18TH AUGUST, 2021



TERM 3 WEEK 6

Principal's Message

There is minimal supervision on site at our school for those students who cannot be educated at home, for example if their parent or carer is an essential worker.

If you are working from home, and your child is able to be educated from home, please keep them at home.

I want to thank all of our families for your support during this time. Please get in touch with your child's teacher to discuss any additional needs for them or your family to support you with 'learn from home'. Staff are available to support. Please don't hesitate to contact them or for general enquiries phone 6741 5200 or email gskiddmem-s.school@det.nsw.ed.au

Each day we are posting an activity/challenge on the school Facebook page. Please check your emails regularly as newsletters, messages etc will be emailed to you and please upload the School Stream app if you haven't already done so. See page 8 for details.

Bec Maybury, Principal.



This week we present an article by William Robinson-King from the Goanna Room.



William

My name is William.

I am in the Goanna Class.

I am 7 years old.

I like venomous snakes and redback spiders.

My favourite thing in the playground is the slippery dip.

I love Minecraft.

I have been reading Billy and Jack.

By William
Robinson-King



REMINDERS

P & C NEWS

For all enquiries please phone

President Lisa Warren

Ph: 0428 424 032

Next P & C Meeting Thursday

26th August, G.S. Kidd School

Library 5pm. **ALL WELCOME**

If you can't attend the meeting, but would like the minutes emailed out, please contact Lisa on the above number or email lbwarren@live.com.au

PENDING COVID RESTRICTIONS

POSTPONED

Australian
Dental Health
NSW

School Excursion

CANCELLED!



Let's keep our
community safe
from COVID-19

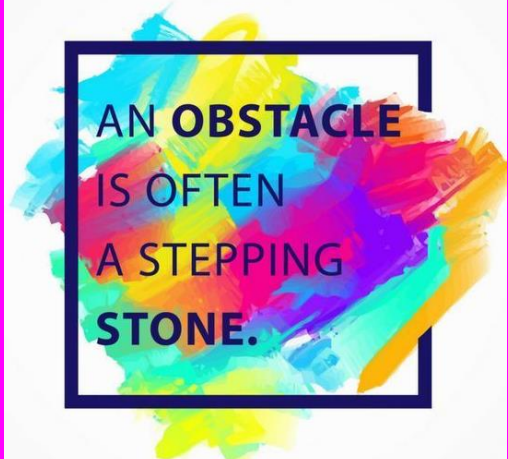
**STAY
AT
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**STAY
SAFE**

BEAUTIFUL THINGS
HAPPEN WHEN
YOU DISTANCE
YOURSELF FROM
NEGATIVITY



**AN OBSTACLE
IS OFTEN
A STEPPING
STONE.**



From the Garden to the Kitchen



With current Covid conditions, the bus trip down to do the shopping is on hold at the moment, however the students continue to enjoy the fortnightly cooking program that we offer here at G.S. Kidd School. They all gain valuable life skills in many areas from planting, watering and harvesting fresh produce in the garden through to peeling, grating, chopping, preparing, cooking and even washing up after they enjoy a meal together.





PBL Awards

A big CONGRATULATIONS to our recent recipients of PBL and Sports Awards.

Safe Respectful Responsible



It is wonderful to see Alex and Margaret being such great role models for responsible behaviour in the community and the playground. They are being very safe with their masks and hand sanitiser ready to head outside.

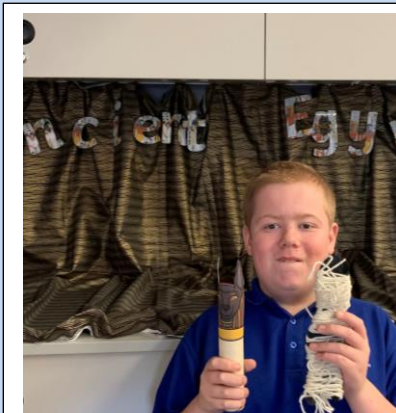
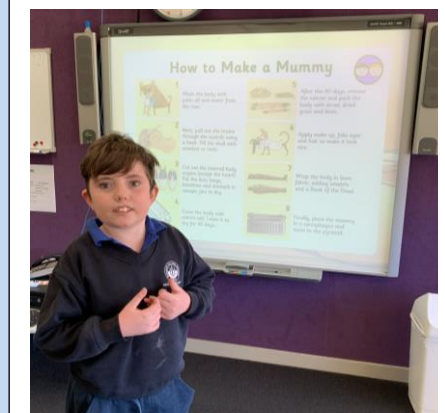
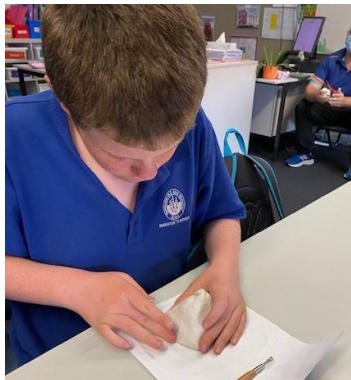


The past 2 week's PBL focus have been
Responsible behaviour in the community
 And
Responsible behaviour in the playground



Mummification and Pyramids

Ancient Egypt



Students have recently studied a unit on Ancient Egypt. Some of the topics they talked about were the Pyramids and Mummification. They had a lot of fun creating some wonderful mummies, and especially enjoyed wrapping staff members. Some beautiful Pyramids were created as well.





G.S. Kidd School Feature



Todd Woodbridge Cup comes to the Beaches!

More than 300 students from Years 3 and 4, representing 14 Primary Schools came together over two days in Term 2 to participate in The Todd Woodbridge Cups Zone days on The Northern Beaches. The events were delivered by Super Kids Sports operating at Keirle Park, North Manly and Evolve Tennis operating at Collaroy Tennis Club in partnership with Tennis NSW.

"I've had more awesome reviews coming in from parents. We will definitely be a part of it in future years."
Mark, School Sport Coordinator

St Mary's, Manly and Our Lady of Good Council, Forestville won their respective events and will represent their Zone in the state final that is to be held at Sydney Olympic Park in Term 4, we wish them the best of luck!

The ACHPER NSW inaugural [PD]HPE Awards are open

Nominate a teacher you know doing great work in [PD]HPE and promoting active, healthy lifestyles.

The inaugural ACHPER NSW [PD]HPE Awards are open to all teachers in NSW and ACT.

There are many teachers out there doing an amazing job. Let's celebrate achievements and share great stories from the [PD]HPE community.

There are four Award categories:

- Early career teacher
- Primary teacher
- Secondary teacher
- Community service award - for a teacher volunteering in community sport.

Nominations close Friday 20 August.



Movement Disability Foundation (MDF) Program - GS Kidd Memorial School

After receiving funding through the MDF, the Louis Tennis Academy ran an eight week inclusive tennis program for players of all abilities at GS Kidd Memorial School.

The ANZ Tennis Hot Shots program is curriculum-aligned and the modified equipment packs make it adaptable to all participants.

The teachers at GS Kidd Memorial School all were involved with the programs and participated when needed to help facilitate this fantastic program.

"My team and I thoroughly enjoyed delivering this program with GS Kidd Memorial School. The kids were all engaged and enjoyed having a tennis experience" - Craig Louis, Louis Tennis Academy

"Thank you for this experience, the students and teachers all enjoyed engaged with the coaches and developing the fundamental skills of tennis. We found this program inclusive for all our students. The program gave the students the opportunity to try the sport of tennis for the first time for most participants" - Bianca Small, Teacher

Special schools can now book an inclusive tennis program via the Sporting Schools platform, grants for Term 4 programs open Monday 16 August.

[LEARN MORE](#)

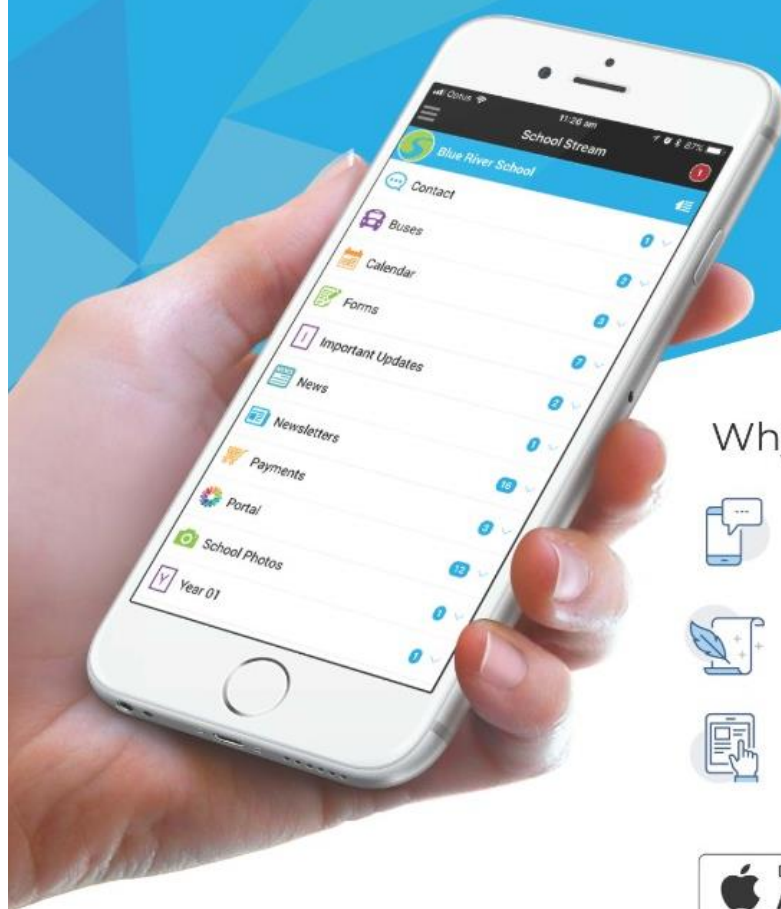


PDHPE Awards
Celebrating great teachers

Nominations close 20 August | achpernsw.com.au

We encourage all families to take the time to have a look at the Schoolstream App and please download. We are moving towards this being our first port of call for communication from school to you. Messages are instant and you will be kept up to date with the latest news as it happens.

Download our school app for free!



Never miss important school information again!

Important alerts, events, canteen, newsletters, class information, sports updates, school news, absentee & excursions notes and more! You can even pay for school photos, uniforms or fees if your school takes advantage of our payments feature. Finally, everything you need in one place. Managing school life has never been easier.

Why download the app?



Receive instant notifications for important news.



Easily register absentees and excursions.



Keep up to date with events and set reminders.



Download on the
App Store



GET IT ON
Google Play

Download instructions:

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.

2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the

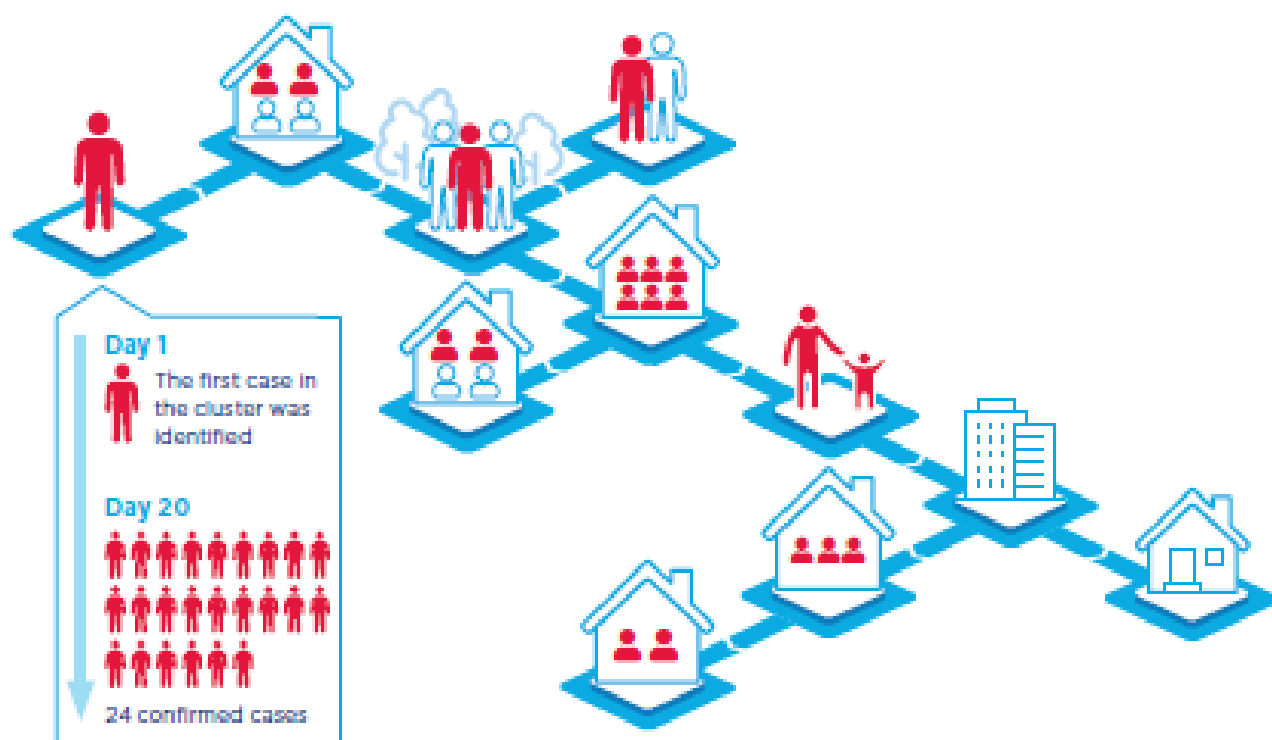
3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.

Here Are Just A Few Reviews From Schools Already Using Schoolstream

- School Stream allows us to communicate directly with parents in seconds and this immediate communication is essential in today's world.
- Immediate notification. Convenient for important communication
- Less paper used – better for the environment.
- Fewer missed notes – better communication for school families.

WHY ONE COVID-19 CASE MATTERS

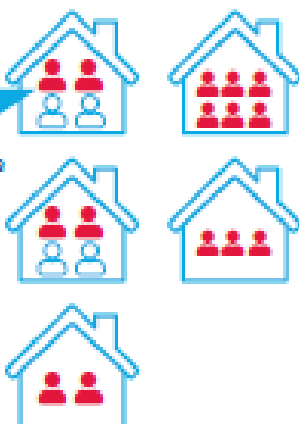
COVID-19 spreads among family and friends



Households:



Index case



More than
650 close contacts



Close contact locations:

- Homes
- Childcare facility
- Cultural venues
- Hospitality venues
- Group disability home
- Public hospital
- Outpatient clinic
- Park
- Retail shop

choose HEALTHY SNACKS

Healthy snacks help meet kid's nutrition needs. Choose snacks based on:
• vegetables • fruit • milk • cheese • yoghurt • wholegrain breads, crackers and cereals



WHAT IS A HEALTHY SNACK?

INCLUDE FRESH FOODS & WHOLEGRAIN VARIETIES AS SNACKS



This resource has been developed by Western Sydney Local Health District, published November 2018

GET ACTIVE each day

Being active helps us stay healthy. Find lots of ways to be active each day.

HOW MUCH ACTIVITY SHOULD KIDS DO EACH DAY?

Toddlers

1-3 years

Preschoolers

3-5 years



- Standing up
- Moving around
- Active toys

School age

5-12 years

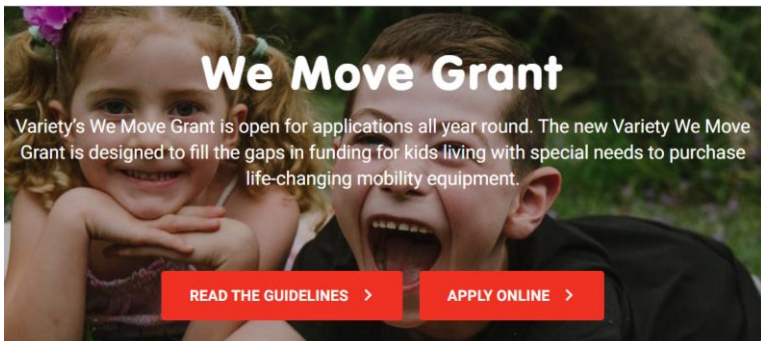


Be active so your breathing and heart beats faster:

- Fast walking
- riding a bike or scooter
- playing sport




This resource has been developed by Western Sydney Local Health District, published November 2018



We Move Grant

Variety's We Move Grant is open for applications all year round. The new Variety We Move Grant is designed to fill the gaps in funding for kids living with special needs to purchase life-changing mobility equipment.

[READ THE GUIDELINES >](#) [APPLY ONLINE >](#)

We are thrilled to announce that the Variety **We Move Grant** is now open for applications .

Applications are open all year round. For more information about the grants that are offered by Variety please email

kidssupport@variety NSW.org.au

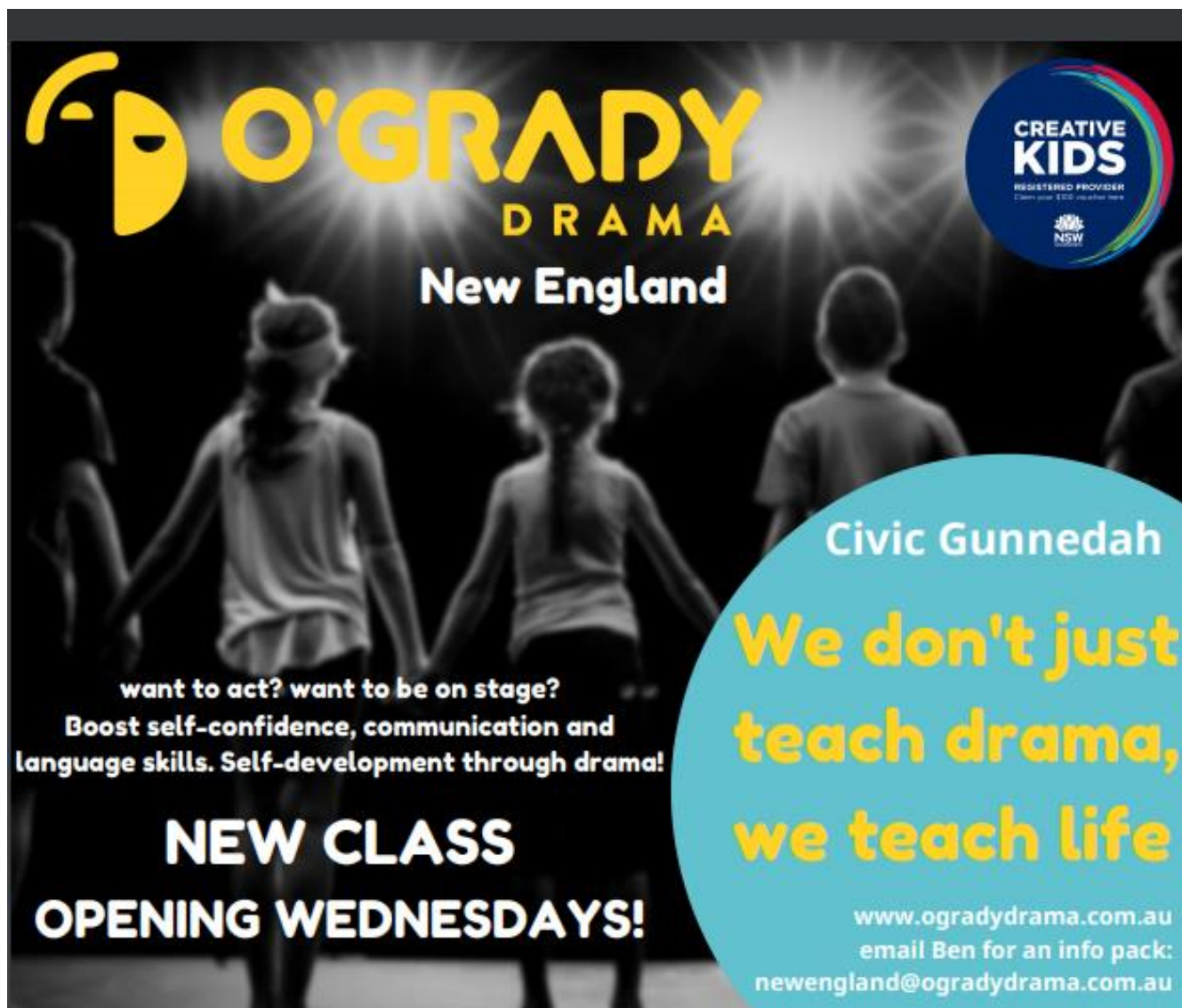
Open to families with children aged 4 – 18 throughout NSW and the ACT, We Learn comprises two grants – Educational Technology and Educational Supplies. Applications for the **We Learn Grant** are open from Monday 26 July 2021 and closes at 5pm AEST Friday 3 September 2021.



We Learn Grant

Variety's We Learn Grant is now open for applications. The Variety We Learn Grant helps families living with financial hardship to purchase educational technology and supplies.

[EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY GUIDELINES >](#) [EDUCATION SUPPLIES GUIDELINES >](#)



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BUILDING HOPE IN YOUNG LIVES

STAND TALL TAMWORTH PARENT AND TEACHER EVENT

HOSTED BY NICK FARR-JONES AM

Help Stand Tall help the youth of Tamworth. Together we will help build vital hope that students need to sustain them and ensure their mental wellbeing for the future.

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TICKET*
INCLUDES
BBQ



5:30PM
'MEAT & GREET' BBQ
6:30PM - 8:30PM
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SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

*TICKET INCLUDES BBQ



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OUR 2021 SPEAKERS AND TOPICS

A TASTE OF WHAT STUDENTS WILL EXPERIENCE

MICHAEL CROSSLAND

Life Skills for Success

Michael is an extraordinary young man who defied the odds of a life-threatening cancer to build an exceptional life. Now he teaches practical life skills for good mental health and imparting hope.

ELOISE WELLINGS

Resilience and Persistence

2x Olympic Athlete and Co-founder of the Love Mercy Foundation, Eloise holds the record for the fastest 10,000m by an Australian woman at the Olympics. But her career has been anything but smooth sailing. Eloise shares the important lessons she learnt in resilience, perseverance and the power of the mind.

AMBER LAWRENCE

Positive Self Image

Four-time Golden Guitar winning Country music singer-songwriter Amber Lawrence risked it all in 2008 to pursue a music career leaving behind the security of her job at Qantas and now is recognised for capturing Australian hearts through her beautiful and inspiring songs.

TONY HOANG

Rejecting the Drug Culture

Tony joined one of the most notorious crime gangs at just 13. During this time he faced the harsh realities of losing a friend to a drug overdose, watching friends go to jail and dealing drugs himself. A decade on he chooses to share his hardships to help people break free from the same destructive cycle he was once trapped in.

BUILDING HOPE IN THE LIVES OF SECONDARY STUDENTS ACROSS AUSTRALIA

HOSTED BY NICK FARR-JONES AM, FORMER WORLD CUP WINNING WALLABY CAPTAIN AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF STAND TALL.



Following the successful Stand Tall Sydney Event in June 2021, we will be bringing our first major Regional Stand Tall Event to Tamworth!

Please share this event with friends and teachers so we can reach as many as possible in the Tamworth region with the vital message of hope. Don't miss this vital event for your community, due to limited funding we are unsure when we will be able to return.

We want to provide you with an insight into what your students will experience at the inspirational Stand Tall Event.

WITH A MESSAGE FROM SEAN JOHNS FROM THE FATHERING PROJECT



**PLEASE NOTE
BOOKINGS ARE
ESSENTIAL**

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Please Enjoy Some Colouring While You Are At Home



Staying safe from coronavirus



Heroes Fighting Coronavirus



Our whole school Assembly takes place every Monday. During this time we present our weekly PBL awards and Sports awards. For all regular updates, highlights and photos please follow us on Facebook or download the School Stream app.

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KEEPING
you
safe

QR Codes for Schools

The Service NSW COVID safe check-in is required for visitors to the school, complimenting existing school visitor sign-in processes, including the external visitors to the school site form.

Visitors signing in at the front desk should self-serve using the COVID safe check-in tool as displayed in the poster. Schools should adapt the COVID safe check-in within their existing process for visitors to their school.

Parents and carers who are only dropping off and picking up students **do need** to check in using the Service NSW QR code.



Please use hand sanitiser

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A RIVER
cuts through
A ROCK
NOT BECAUSE
of its power
but its PERSISTENCE

*Thought
For
The Day*

Positive Behaviour For Learning

