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The Grovelander

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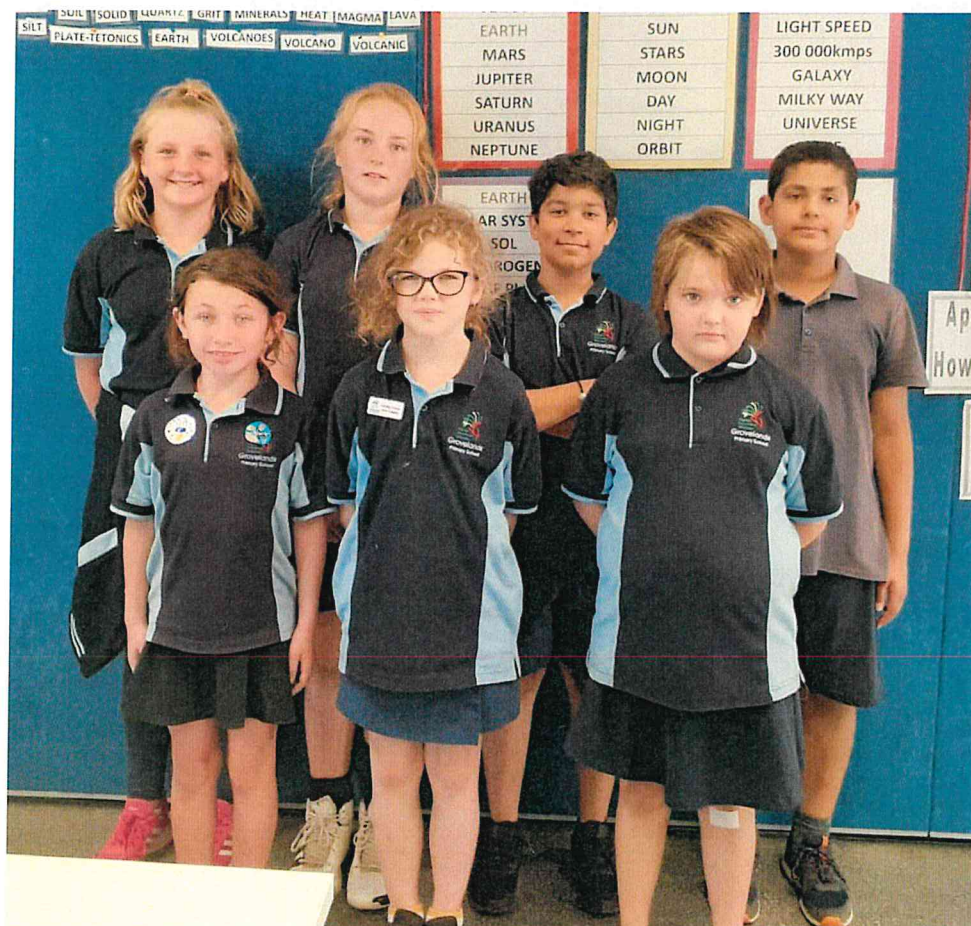
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2020 STEAM Prefects



These very passionate, enthusiastic young people are the STEAM prefects for 2020.

Front Row: Lillie Miller, Jocelyn Dean, Jennifer Knowler

Back Row: Katelyn Gorringer, Lily Maskiell, Dylan Lawrence and Om Kalyan.

Absent: Jayden Maher-Wagner.

Our Vision

A safe learning environment where students are empowered: with the skills to question; the desire to improve; the will to persevere and develop resilience; to inspire each other to be the best they can be.

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Welcome to the Week 8 edition of the Grovelander. The world, our society and our school life has changed radically since I last wrote to you. Unfortunately, it looks as though there are more testing times to come.

Your children have been fantastic since this began. The fruits of our *You Can Do It!* ethos have shown through in these hard times. I am proud to be their Principal.

All of our staff have been amazing. Like you, they are experiencing a great deal of anxiety and uncertainty. As I said to them in a recent internal message, I have seen their big hearts, caring natures and absolute moral purpose clearly shine through in the face of this challenge. I am proud to be their Principal.

You, the parents, carers and families that make this school community, have been amazing so far in meeting this challenge. Your patience, understanding, support and gratitude have been noticed. On behalf of all staff I thank you. I am proud to be Principal of this school community.

Things seems to be changing regularly and more frequently. Unfortunately, I cannot give you any information of school closures and so on, because I simply do not know at this stage. I will share information with you when I receive it.

Please ensure that you and your fellow parents are signed up for Connect. This will be the platform we use to share lessons with students in the event of a school closure. Please see Mrs Brown at the front desk if you are having an issue signing up.

I also urge you to apply to join the Grovelands P&C Facebook group. I have been providing updates and putting up links to digital resources for those parents already choosing to keep their children at home.

Stay safe folks! Mr Bradshaw, Principal.



Honour Certificate Recipients

Room 1	Prisca Kalokwera	Mace Allen
Room 3	Jenny Knowler	Jasmin Geary
Room 4	Dunya Mossavian	Tayla Dunn
Room 7	Sapphire Plummer	Cee Settamat
Room 8	Grant Sinining	Malcolm Gaudin
Room 9	Kahu Tata	Dah Dah Saw Saw
Room 10	Jett Smith	Ebonie Sweeney
Room 12	Aaliyah Baynes	Zoe Conway
Room 13	Jasmin Geary	Jenny Knowler
Room 14	Cylus McCudden	
Room 18	Dean Geary	Aiden O'Reilly
Room 19	Grace Gallon	Nymeriah Pouniu

CONGRATULATIONS

"AFTER ALL OF
THIS IS OVER, ALL
THAT WILL
REALLY MATTER
IS HOW WE
TREATED EACH
OTHER."

UNKNOWN

Room 3 had their assembly during Week 6 of this term. As it was close to Harmony Week, we decided to celebrate Australia as a multicultural country through our assembly item.

We hope everyone enjoyed it. Mrs Shorey



National Young Leaders Day Excursion



Hello, my name is Bianca. My National Young Leaders Day was the best day ever!

The speakers we listened to were John Coutis, Eamon Sullivan, Dana Hooker and Lachlan Smart.

My favourite speaker was John Coutis. He was born with a physical disability on the lower part of his body and now rolls around on his custom skateboard, sharing his excellent story. One of the things he said that stuck with me was that kids bullied him because he was different to them.

Can you help stop bullying and make the world a better place?

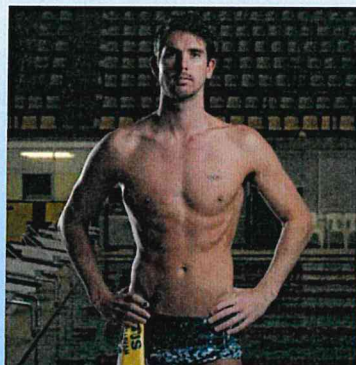
The Halogen Young Leaders Day excursion was fun and really cool to listen to all the speakers that came to talk to us.

My favourite speaker was either John Coutis or Lachlan Smart. I loved both of their stories, Lachlan being the youngest person to fly around the world solo (not anymore), and John talking about how he grew up with his disability.

Overall, it was just a really fun experience. Thank you for taking us, Mr Brown. Jessica Lawson.



John Coutis - Mentor



Eamon Sullivan - Olympic Swimmer



Jade Slater - Cotton On Foundation

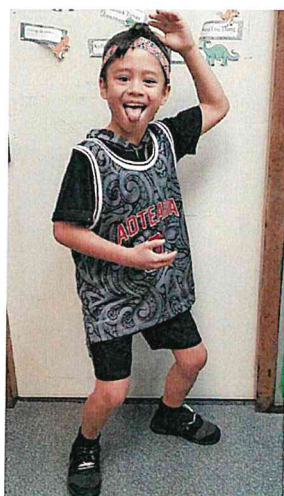


Dana Hooker - AFLW

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
23 March Whole School Photo Day	24	25	26	27 Kindy Group 2 Photo Day
30	31	1 April	2	3
6	7	8	9	10 Good Friday Last Day of Term 2

School is scheduled to return on **TUESDAY, 28 April 2020.**

Harmony Day Photos





On March 11, we held a Crazy Hair Day to raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. We raised a total of \$180.60. Thank you to everyone who supported this by donating a gold coin.

Here are some of the photos.



School Banking temporarily suspended:

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people is our first priority. Due to the rapidly developing situation with coronavirus, School Banking has been temporarily paused from 20 March 2020 until the start of Term 2.

We will do our best to keep you informed as the situation progresses. Please note, our team of School Banking Specialists are still available to support you and your school via mobile and email. Additionally, our School Banking Helpdesk also remains available on 1800 674 496, Monday- Friday 9am-5pm Sydney time.



Veronica Howarth
Head of School Banking
Retail Banking Services



Most young kids will
remember how their
family home felt during
the coronavirus panic
more than anything
specific about the virus.

Our kids are watching us
and learning about
how to respond to
stress and uncertainty.

Let's wire our kids for
resilience, not panic.



Young ICT Explorers (affectionately known as YICTE) is a non-profit competition designed to encourage school students in Years 3 to 12 to create a technology-based project of their choice, and submit the project to the competition. Suitable projects are invited to enter the state/territory competition finals, where students pitch their project to a panel of judges. Successful state finalists will be invited to the national grand final. Students can design any project of their choosing as long as it is based on digital technology. Project examples include: mobile apps, computer games, websites, digital media, short films and animations, robots etc.



If you think your child would be interested in participating in this program, please forward his/her name to the class teacher and I will send the registration forms to you.

Mrs. Shorey

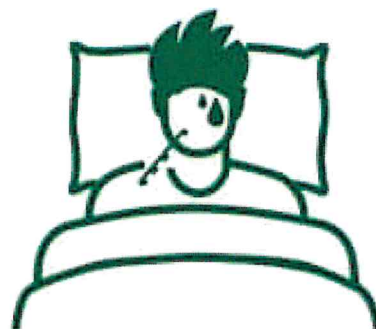
Protect yourself



COVER COUGHS AND SNEEZES
with a tissue or use your inner elbow



WASH HANDS
often with soap or hand sanitiser



STAY HOME
from work or school if you are sick