

# "WHAT'S UP AT BPS"



## What are you Doing to Keep Occupied at Home?



Recently, parents were asked to keep their children at home if it was possible, so now, over half the school is learning from home using google classroom. But while we're all at home we can get quite bored, so we're going to give you a few ideas of things at home you can do to keep occupied.

While at home it's always a good idea to keep active, so, you could go for a walk, you could grab your bike or scooter and go for a long ride or you could power up your Xbox or PlayStation and grab Just Dance.

Lots of gatherings, including bands and clubs have been closed, so practice your instrument or hobby so you don't get out of practice.

While you are at home you may as well help around the house, so you could go tidy your room or help clean the kitchen.

And last, it's always nice to do your work in comfort, so you could get a second monitor and set it up with speakers, mice, webcams and keyboards.

We'd love to know what you are doing at home to keep yourself occupied. So, go into the Newspaper's Google Classroom (using code 3fuztzi) and tell us what your doing to keep busy. You might just see your idea in the next edition of What's Up at BPS.

*Joshua R*

## We're Going on a Bear Hunt!

Lately, people have started putting teddies in their windows so that children can walk around and spot them. Melissa Kleynhans from Melbourne is encouraging everyone to put a teddy or any soft toy in their window to brighten up the children's day.

If you're a bit worried about running into people and getting embarrassed, you can always go in your car. The whole "Teddies" aspect of this, might not appeal to you, but you can make it into a competition between you and your sibling!

People have also started putting rainbows in their windows. This started in Italy, They also wrote *Andrà Tutto Bene* which in English, means: "Everything will be alright".

Some places we found bears were: On Rosslyn Street there is a lot, on Balaclava Street there are heaps, on Koloona Street there is a lot and there are some on Warrina Street and Hillcrest Road.

*Amelia R*



## Riddle

- Riddle: I am the beginning of the end, and the end of time and space. I am essential to creation, and I surround every place.

What am I?

## Book Review

### Mummy Fairy and Me By Sophie Kinsella

Mummy Fairy and Me is the first book from a series of four books. Mummy Fairy and Me is a great and funny book.

Ella has a big secret... Her mummy can do amazing spells with her computawand, but sometimes they go a bit wrong. That's when Ella comes to the rescue. Everything is almost a disaster from going to the supermarket to having fairy flu.

Every girl in Ella's family becomes a fairy when they grow up, but Ella can't wait to become a fairy.

I like this story because it's a funny and interesting make-believe book.

I would 100% recommend reading this book if you like funny fiction stories.

*Emi F*

## My Favourite...

My favourite sport is Hapkido. Hapkido is a martial arts and self-defence sport. It is a Korean martial art. When in the dojang, we have to show respect by bowing. We learn lots of different skills including kicks, punches, self-defence techniques, rolls, and throws. We wear a uniform and get to do grading (where you level up and get new belts). It is very fun as we get to play games too.

*Eric M*

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Riddle Answer: E

## Interview with Mr Pritchard

We sat at the picnic tables near BOOSH with Mr Pritchard to learn a bit more about him.



Mr Pritchard, who is one of our Assistant Principals, is this year teaching a 3/4 split class. He told us that one of the things he enjoys about this school is the community spirit and friendliness of everyone. He shared with us that as a student his favourite subject was science and his interest in science has continued as a teacher. He has an interest in it as he is very passionate about saving the planet.

From his days as a student (a long time ago [Just Kidding]), he had two achievements he was particularly proud of. The first was in Year 9, when he came 1<sup>st</sup> for science, as his bridge he was designing held the most weight. The second was in Year 10, when in math's he came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the year.

He also told us that if he couldn't be a teacher, he would like to be an architect. He would be an architect because he is very creative and has photographic memory.

Of course, when interviewing a teacher, we can never help but ask what their dream car would be. You will perhaps not be surprised to hear, that he went with an environmentally friendly car. Mr Pritchard went with a Tesla Concept, which is an electric car.

One of the things he loves to share is about his dogs, who came 1<sup>st</sup> in the world dog games for Flyball in 2005. They were members of the Norwest Thunderdogs.

Above: Mr Pritchard being interviewed about his winning dogs.

Joshua R

## The Egyptian Pyramids

### How Were They Built?

How the pyramids were constructed is a question that archeologists have been trying to answer for many years. It is believed that thousands of slaves were forced to cut up giant bricks and then tediously move them up the pyramid on ramps. One brick at a time, the pyramid would slowly get built.

### Why Were They Built?

The pyramids were constructed as burial grounds and monuments to the Pharaohs. The Egyptians believed that their Pharaohs needed certain things to continue to the afterlife. The Pharaoh would be buried deep inside the pyramid with shabti (personal servants in the afterlife, which are made from clay) and many other important things the Egyptians believed that their pharaoh may need to survive in the afterlife.

### Types of Pyramids

Some of the first pyramids were called step pyramids and they had large ledges every so often which looked like large steps. Archeologists believe that these steps were used as a stairway for the pharaoh to climb to the Ra, the sun god. Some of the later pyramids have more slanting and flat sides. These pyramids represent a hill that emerged at the beginning of time. Ra stood on the hill and brought the other gods and goddesses into existence.

### What is the Biggest Pyramid?

The largest pyramid is the Pyramid of Khufu, more commonly referred to as the Great Pyramid of Giza. When it was first built it was over 480 feet, or about 150 metres tall! It was the tallest human-made structure for millennia and is one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It's estimated that this pyramid was made from 2.3 million blocks of rock weighing 5.9 million tons.

### What's Inside The Pyramids?

As we have already established, deep inside all Egyptian pyramids is the Pharaoh's burial chamber which would be filled with important items for the Pharaoh to use in the afterlife. The walls were usually covered with many carvings and paintings. Next to the Pharaoh's chamber are other rooms where the Pharaoh's family members and servants were buried. There were also smaller rooms that were used as temples and larger rooms used for storage. Narrow passages led outside. Often fake burial chambers or passages were used to try and fool grave robbers. Grave robbers would often try to break in and steal the valuable treasure deep within the pyramid. Despite the Egyptian's efforts to stop this, nearly every single pyramid was robbed of their treasures by 1000 B.C.

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