



Dear families and friends, Cyber bullying Education

Starting this week the Port Adelaide Police (SAPOL) will be working with our middle and upper primary children to learn about safe use of Social Media.

Many of our students are using social media, (Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat) to stay connected beyond the school day. And whilst this is usually a positive experience there is unfortunately also the negative side of cyber-bullying.

Children often don't understand the impact their comments, postings and memes can have on others. A posting that includes a threat, a putdown or damaging image made whilst angry can lead to fear and distress for those that the comments are made about.

As a school we find we are often working to repair damaged relationships or investigating threats that have been made whilst children are at home.

Unfortunately once the students return to school they are confronted with the reality of their comments and the conflict and tension boils over, disrupting learning, other children become involved growing the conflict out of proportion.

Technically, the minimum age for opening a Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Pinterest, Tumblr, or Snapchat account is 13, while Kik users under 17 need parental permission.

Families can support their children by monitoring their children's use of social media, making sure they have access to their profiles and continue to talk to them about safe usage. Rule of thumb is to remind their children to ask themselves the question before they upload or message, *"Would I be happy to say this to their face?"* We strongly recommend that any inappropriate messages received are reported to either SAPOL or the media site.

The following websites provide resources that can be useful for families both supporting and educating their children when they become caught up in inappropriate use of Social Media.

www.esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/esafety-issues/cyberbullying

www.decd.sa.gov.au/sites/g/files/net691/f/cyber-bullying-e-crime-and-the-protection-of-children-and-young-people-advice-for-families.pdf

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Is there an age limit for kids on social media?

13 Most social media services and apps require users to be 13 years old to join.

WHAT ABOUT APPS? App stores set their own age ratings based on the app's content.

WHY 13? This is usually to comply with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 (COPPA)—a US law preventing the collection and storage of personal information from a child under 13.

Age Guide to Social Media

- SOCIAL MEDIA
- TERMS OF USE - MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS
- APP STORE RATING
- GOOGLE PLAY RATING

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HOW TO REPORT CYBERBULLYING MATERIAL

- 1 Report the cyberbullying material to the social media service
- 2 Collect evidence - copy URLs or take screenshots of the material

If the content is not removed within 48 hours

- 3 Report it to esafety.gov.au/reportcyberbullying
- 4 Block the person and talk to someone you trust

If you are in immediate danger, call 000 (triple zero) if you need to talk to someone, visit kidshelpline.com.au or call them on 1800 55 1800, 24 hours a day 7 days a week

If you need any other information or advice please don't hesitate to contact the school and make time to speak with our school counsellor, Mrs Liz Mitkas.

Fiona Voigt



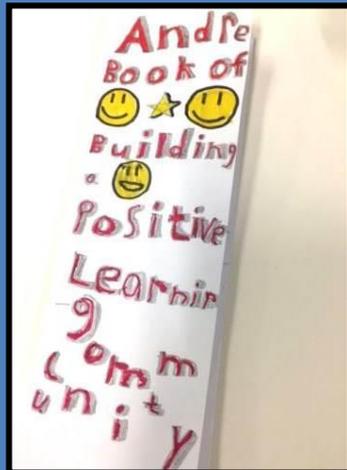
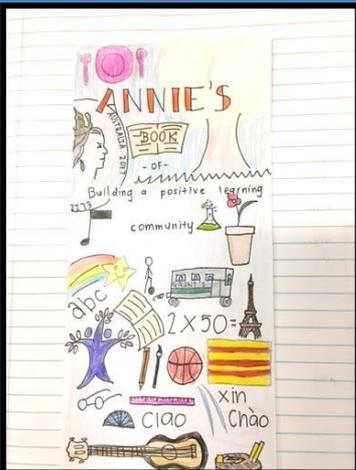
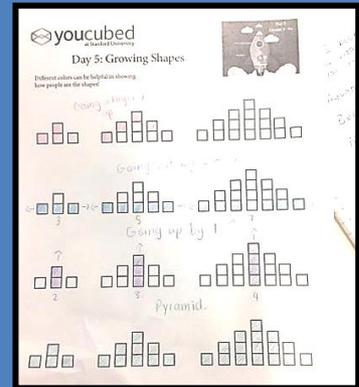
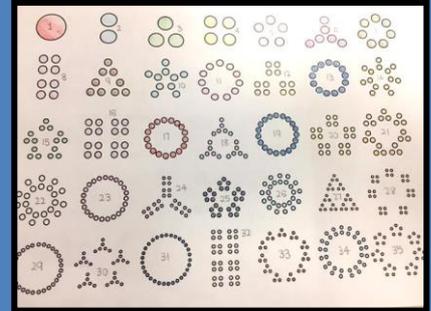
BLUE LEARNING AREA

A WEEK OF INSPIRATION MATHS from Jo Boaler (Youcubed)

Last week was the Week of Inspirational Math by Jo Boaler. She is a mathematician from the UK who teaches people that everyone can develop their 'maths brain' and become good at maths. Using a growth mindset is important and when you keep struggling with an idea your synapses fire and make your 'maths brain' stronger.

This was far more fun than normal maths. In this week we learnt about Pascal's triangle and found patterns in growing shapes. We also learnt that there's no such thing as a maths person as everyone can participate and learn in maths. While doing the math you could see that everyone was participating and having fun.

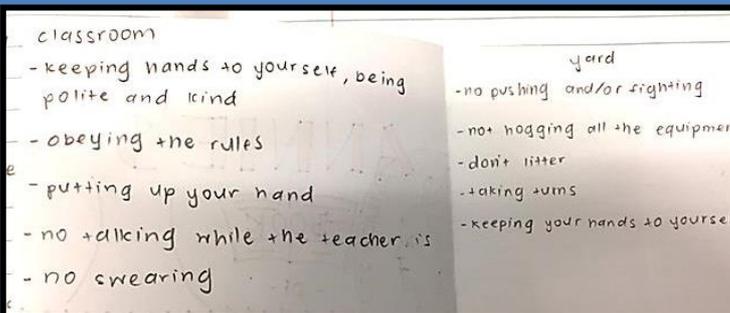
By Gage and Dhanush



BUILDING A POSITIVE LEARNING COMMUNITY

Over the past couple of weeks in the Blue Building we have been looking at 'Building a Positive Learning Community'. To have a positive learning community is to have good communication when talking about work, to understand each other, to get to know one other and treat each other using the Golden Rule (To treat other people how you want to be treated). We have been trying to build respectful relationships with classmates and adults. We have also learnt to play in the yard safely so that everyone feels safe and happy. Another thing that we have learnt is that we need to treat all teachers with the same respect as we treat our normal class teachers. To present our work the whole building made individual brochures about how we are going to build our positive learning community. Here are some examples.

By Sarah B



MIGRATION MUSEUM VISIT AND ADELAIDE CITY LIVEABILITY WALK

In Week 3, all classes from the Blue Building went on an excursion to the city. We visited the Migration Museum where we learnt about the reasons people have migrated to Australia and some of the conditions that they faced. We also found out about the Migration policies at the time and how the Government made it really hard for people from some countries to get into Australia. We also went for a walk around the city to see what it would be like to live there. We looked at the amount of traffic and pollution and also visited Adelaide Oval and the Railway Station. It was a great excursion and we are going to use our new learning for our History and Geography topics this term.



SAPOL VIST (South Australian Police)

We have had a special visit from SAPOL or South Australian Police. It was very interesting and has made me wary of my actions on social media because they talked about online predators and how you can't trust anyone online unless you know them face to face. They also talked about what happens online like sexual harassment and how, these days, 1/3 of marriages start online and how goldfish have an 8 second attention span and many people now have 7 seconds attention spans because we spend so much time looking at social media sites. By Middy (1006)





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Lunch pack includes a sandwich, a snack and fruit box.....\$5.80

- Sandwiches:-
- Ham, cheese & lettuce
 - Chicken, cheese & lettuce
 - Cheese, tomato and lettuce

Name:..... Room:..... Amount enclosed: \$.....

Please order by **Tuesday 29th August**. Orders must be received with payment in the canteen.