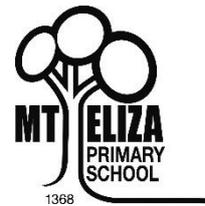


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Welcome to Visual Art Term 3!!!

This term we'll be approaching art a little differently as we understand that each and every family is facing different challenges. Some of you have time/energy to work with your children, others will need child directed, shorter activities. For this situation we have made a 'Creativity Bingo' whereby students can work independently to complete an activity each week for the lockdown period.

After speaking with the students upon their return last term, we found that many didn't attempt any art activities due to lack of equipment, loss of enthusiasm or even exhaustion, but some students absolutely LOVED spending their time creatively. We know that you AND your kids will feel varying degrees of motivation during this next phase.

During Term 3 we hope to set a "project" for all students. The project can be done either individually or as a family. We have compiled a list of activities as suggestions for you based on some of the amazing art that some of the students produced for the "Iso Art Show" and conversations that we've had with students onsite this week. These will only be **suggestions**. Some of these ideas are bigger than others, but whatever your child/children choose, **you** need to feel comfortable that the activity is doable in your family setting. For example, one may want to learn to sew, the other might want to paint a pot plant and the third might want to decorate a skateboard. (I guarantee that you'll be poor and rocking in a corner by the end of week 1).

I had a lovely conversation with a family this week onsite whom I asked about the project idea. They immediately said "awesome, let's all fix up the cubby!" What a great idea! Of course they will all need to have a conversation with their parents and then begin planning the project collectively.

PLANNING will be essential in this project as children tend to go bigger than they are capable. You may or may not want to be involved in the sourcing, costing and research of the project, or you could leave that up to your kids. We hope that this will give your families the flexibility to work creatively at any time.

We intend to oversee progress in the projects each week on Seesaw and offer advice and instruction where we can. We hope the take up will be greater when students have input into what they make or do.

Take care and stay safe.

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