

GRADE 1 NEWSLETTER

~ Term 4, 2015 ~

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to school. We hope you had a restful break.

Listed below is important information for the term. Please feel free to arrange a time to discuss any concerns you may have. We are looking forward to an amazing term 4.

No hat, No play

Please remember that in term 4 all students are required to wear a navy blue, wide brimmed hat for play times and outdoor learning activities.

Specialists for Term 4

1A - Stephanie Varga	1B - Andrea Hardwick
Art - Tuesday PE & Performing Arts - Thursday	Performing Arts & Library - Tuesday PE - Thursday
1C - Melissa Russell ESO - Kim Alabacos	1D - Janelle Chang ESO - Kim Alabacos
PE - Thursday Library & Art - Friday	PE & Art - Thursday Library - Friday

Events to look out for this term

Walk to school month (October)

Curriculum Day - November 2nd

Melbourne Cup Holiday - November 3rd

2016 transition mornings - November 19th, 26th and December 3rd

Reports sent home - December 11th

End of year class celebrations

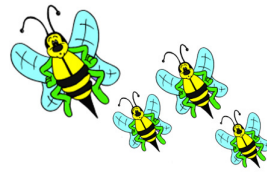
Key concepts being covered this term

Writing

- Transactional
- Poetry

Maths

- Money
- Place Value
- Fractions
- Skip counting
- Addition and subtraction
- Time
- Division and multiplication
- Volume and Capacity



Reading

- Visualising
- Think aloud and inferring
- Inferring (implied meanings)
- Predicting and Prior knowledge
- Questions and questioning

Inquiry Unit - "Past, present and future"

- History
- Past, present and future
- How lifestyles have changed.
- Similarities and differences in family structures and roles over time.

It's Not Okay to be Away

If your child is away or you know they will be away, please let the school know and also provide a written note upon their return.

Fruit Break and Water

Each day your child will be given a 10 minute break to have a piece of fruit at 12pm. Please provide your child with a piece of fruit every day. Now that the weather is heating up, we encourage all students to bring a water bottle to school each day to avoid interrupting learning time to get a drink.

Homework

Your child has three homework tasks to complete each night. These consist of a maths task, spelling or M100W words and reading a take-home book. Homework will commence in week 2. The last week of term is always homework free.

Show and Tell

Your child has been provided with a new homework outline which has been pasted in their homework book. Written on the homework outline is your child's share day. This will also be the day your child is tested on their spelling or M100W words.

Take Home Reading

Please help ensure your child continues to read their take-home book each night and records their reading in their reading journal. A record of nightly reading is displayed on our class reading wall.

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be a Learner

Just a reminder that the courtyard is a passive place. Students should be quiet, calm and walking at all times in the courtyard.

Regards,

Mrs Stephanie Varga Ms Andrea Hardwick Miss Melissa Russell Mrs Janelle Chang