

GRADE 1C NEWSLETTER

~ Term 3, 2014 ~

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back to school. We hope you had a restful break and are ready for the final term of the 2014 school year.

Specialists

Thursday- Library

Friday- Art and Performing Arts

Events to look out for this term

Please refer to the school newsletter and facebook page for additional details closer to the dates.

Walk to school month

Mon 3/4 Curriculum Day

Tue 4/4 Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

2015 Transition mornings

End of year classroom celebrations

Reports

Inquiry Unit

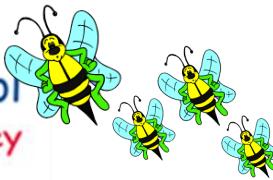
This term we will be focusing on History. We will look at the past, present and future and how lifestyles have changed. We will explore the differences and similarities in family structures and roles over time. Throughout the term students will be asked to interview older family members or friends, provide family photos or artifacts from the past e.g books parents may have read or toys from previous generations. Feel free if you would like to share these items when requested.

It's not okay to be away

If your child is going to be absent from school, please ring the school in the morning to inform us and on your child's return please provide a written explanation of the absence to the classroom teacher.

Fruit Break

Is held in the classroom at 1.40 (directly after lunch play) daily. Providing your child with a piece of fruit allows them to have a much needed energy boost for the last hour of their school day.



Homework

All students have weekly homework tasks to complete. Homework is given out on Monday and is due back on Friday. Students will be tested on their weekly spelling words on Friday morning.

If you have concerns about your child's homework or are unsure of a task, please see us as soon as possible so we can provide help.

Each night your child should bring home their **RED READING BAG**. Please make an effort to read with your child every night, and ensure that their yellow reading diary is filled out by the student, so they can receive reading awards and don't feel left out.

Show and Tell

Our class sharing, also known as show and tell, will be run every day. We encourage all students to bring a toy, book or picture relating to our Inquiry unit of "History" to ensure they get a star for bringing something to share. New share days for Term 4 are pasted in their homework book.

Classroom Toy

"Polly" the dragon, "Mo" the lion or "Mayson" the mammoth will be awarded and shared amongst students who are making good choices within the classroom.

At the end of each day we will have a classroom lucky dip and the lucky student will choose from the three toys who will go home with them for one night only. Students will be encouraged to take home a diary and record what they did with their chosen toy with both pictures and writing on one page only of the diary. Although photos look nice, it is not compulsory.

Just like the students, the "it's not ok to be away" rule also applies to the classroom toys. The book and **toy must be returned to school every day**.

Courtyard

The courtyard is a quiet and passive place during recess and lunch time. It is also a passive and quite area before and after school. To ensure all students are safe and passive, please reinforce to your child the importance of respecting the area at all times of the day.

Regards,

Melissa Russell