Year 1 - Term 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome all the students back to school for Term 2!

This term will be another very busy term of learning for Year 1 students. Here is an overview of some of the important events for Year 1 students. Some dates are subject to change so please check the school website and newsletter regularly for the most up to date information.

SPORT CHANGE - Year 1 will be changing Sport from Thursdays to Tuesdays for Term 2. This term students are required to wear their full sport uniform on Tuesdays commencing on the 28th April. Students will be involved in a dance program for 6 weeks and then will be preparing for the Infants Cross Country.

LIBRARY - Students will continue weekly library lessons and need to remember their library bag to borrow a book.
Monday - 1ES and 1W
Tuesday - 1L and 1B
Friday - 1N

IMPORTANT DATES

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Excursion in Term 3

We are currently planning an excursion for Term 3 to Riverside Theatre to see a performance of “Snugglepot and Cuddlepie.” A note will come home later this term outlining the excursion details and cost involved. We hope all students will be able to attend.

Home Reading

Home reading is commencing again for Term 2. Each Wednesday they will receive two new books. The students are to return their home reading folder every day for independent reading in class. The Home reading Program focuses on reading for enjoyment. These readers should be easy for your child to help develop their fluency.

Some helpful tips to assist your child with home reading:

Before Reading: Tell them the title and look through the book and talk about it so your child knows what it is about.

Whilst Reading
- Encourage reading that “sounds like talking”
- Remember the pictures give lots of clues about meaning
- Let your child keep reading when the meaning is maintained
  eg/ child reads “the boy rode the pony” instead of “the boy rode the horse”
- If your child doesn’t know a word, suggest they reread from the beginning of the sentence, say the first sound or first chunk and think what might make sense
- Praise self corrections

After Reading: Talk about the story and share their favourite part
- Praise their efforts make this a fun and positive experience.

If your child is tired or reluctant, read the book to them or read a page each.

Compulsory Payments for Year 1 Resources

We would like to thank the parents who have already paid the $12 for the Handwriting textbook and $5 for the Home Reading program. If you haven’t already paid for these compulsory Yr 1 resources, can you please pay the office at your earliest convenience.

If you would like to discuss anything regarding your child, please call the office and leave a message for your child’s teacher, send in a note or see your child’s teacher in the afternoon to arrange a time that will be suitable to meet.

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