



Stage One Term 2 Newsletter

Years 1 and 2 2023

Welcome to Term Two. We hope you had a great holiday and feel refreshed for the busy and exciting term ahead.

Classroom activities this term will involve the following:

Oral language and Communication

Our daily news segments will be linked to our Geography and Science units of work. All students are being encouraged to organise and prepare their topic talks before they present them to the class.

- Week 1- What I did in the holidays.
- Week 2 - Choose your favourite season and discuss why it is your favourite.
- Week 3 - Create your own poem about weather.
- Week 4 - Pocket Surprise.
- Week 5 - Choose a location within Australia that you would like to visit. Discuss what time of the year you would visit and why.
- Week 6 - Plan and draw a map of your dream school by rearranging the school so it can be used differently (eg play areas, classrooms, etc) and represent it pictorially.
- Week 7- Pocket Surprise.
- Week 8 - Discuss how the weather affects the land in Australia.
- Week 9 - How do humans use plants and animals?
- Week 10 - Free Choice.

Class teachers will discuss these topics further with their class over the next week.

Spelling

This term we will focus on the phonemes (sounds) long u (ew, ue ui), air (ear), or (aw, au), oi (oy) and ur (ir, er).

Reading Fluency

Home readers will continue to be sent home. Please ensure you are reading each reader at least 3 times to aid in developing fluency. Please return these readers on your child's news day.

You may also like to take some time discussing unfamiliar vocabulary from the texts and finding the focus sound for the homework in the stories they read.

Mathematics

In all aspects of Mathematics, emphasis is on conceptual understanding, language and practical activities that enable children to explore numbers and their relationships.

Science and Technology: Living World

Stage 1 students will continue to focus on the features of living things, their environment and how they change and reproduce. Students this term will investigate how plants and animals are used to satisfy our needs for food and fibre.

Geography (Semester One)

Students will continue to investigate the natural and human features of places. They will describe the reasons places change and identify the active role of citizens in the care of places. They will learn about how people describe the weather and seasons of places. Students will explore activities occurring in places and how the spaces within places can be used for different purposes.

Physical Education

Year 2 will wear their sports uniform on Fridays.

Year 1 will wear their sports uniform on Thursdays.

Thank you,

Stage 1 Team Teachers