



Welcome to Stage One - 2020

Years 1 and 2

This year we have five Stage One classes:

1H with Mrs Horton (Monday - Thursday) and Mrs Mule (Friday),

1J with Miss Jeffries (Monday - Thursday) and Mrs Raper (Friday),

1/2C with Mrs Chant and Mrs Mule on Thursday,

2S with Mr Skinner and

2AR with Miss Affleck-Rodger and Mrs Mule on Wednesdays.

We look forward to the year ahead with your children. Below is some information about the term ahead including important dates for upcoming events. Further details will be sent home via notes, SeeSaw and/or SchoolBiz.

Dates for Term One

Week 2 – Textbook selling day is on **Tuesday 4th Feb**. Ordering details can be found in School Biz.

Week 3 – Parent Information Evening – **Tuesday 11th Feb**.

Week 3 – School swimming carnival – students who are turning 8 during 2020 are eligible.

Week 5 - Scripture starts on **Tuesday** afternoons.

Week 7 – Swimming Scheme (**Mon – Fri**) for Year 2.

Week 8 – Geography excursion to Gibberagong.

Week 11 – **Monday 6th April** – Parent/Teacher interviews.

Week 11 – Easter Hat parade – **Thursday 9th April**.



Here is a brief overview of topics this term...

SPORT

To avoid the hottest part of the day, sport will be held on a Thursday morning. Can all children please wear their sports uniform on this day.

English

Each class will start literacy group activities in the next few weeks. Students will work at a level using various texts which are pitched at their current level of development. Students can have with them one book they are reading for their own enjoyment for quiet reading sessions in class.

Mathematics

Differentiated lessons in all strands of the NSW Mathematics syllabus will be undertaken each week

Homework

During Term One, homework will focus on reading. Please make sure your child has a home reader bag so they can start borrowing as soon as possible. Don't forget to send in the Home Reading Logbook after 10 days of reading.

Library

Students need to bring their library bags to school from Week Two.

Class items

Would you please make sure that students have their supplies by the end of Week 2. The list of requirements can be found in SchoolBiz.

A few reminders

- Please make sure that notes are provided for absences within 7 days after the absence has occurred.
- Please make sure that ALL of your child's property is clearly labelled, including clothing and classroom materials.
- Birthday cakes are welcome; however, please bring cakes that do not require cutting as we cannot bring knives into the classroom. Allergy aware cupcakes/iceblocks are always welcome (and preferred).
- As the girls are getting older, can they please wear a pair of scungies or dance shorts under their tunics.

Class Helpers

We love to welcome parents into the classroom to help out with activities, from literacy and maths groups to gardening and anytime in between. If you can help out, can you please fill in the attached information note.

*Soon, each teacher will send home the QR code for you to connect to **SEESAW**. We will be continuing this form of communication this year so if you can please connect as soon as you receive your specific code so you don't miss out on any messages or posts about class activities.

*If you feel there is some relevant information that we should be aware of to assist us in taking care of your child, we are always available for a chat. Send in a note or email to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

*Also attached is a survey for you and your child to fill in. If this can be completed and returned as soon as possible we would really appreciate it.

We strongly believe the best outcomes for children are achieved when home and schoolwork closely together and we look forward to meeting you all.

Best regards,

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Stage One PARENT HELPERS

Your help is always welcome and appreciated, whether it be every day or occasionally.

Please fill in your details below:-

My child's name.....

My name is.....

My email.....

My phone.....

*Please indicate when/how you can help possibly out (eg reading groups, maths..)

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Do you (or any Grandfriends that you know) have a particular skill or interest that you would like to share with the children eg gardening, sewing, crafting, cooking, painting, drawing, weaving, building.....??

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