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2022 Kindergarten Term 2 Newsletter



Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 2.

We hope you had a wonderful, relaxing holiday and are ready to dive back into lots of engaging learning experiences. We have a very exciting term planned, including a visit to Glen Street Theatre to see the play 'Edward the Emu' in Week 2.

THE SOUNDS OF THE WEEK

This term we will be learning these sounds: f, r, o, c, d, h, e, n, g, l, k, u, b, j. We introduce each sound; brainstorm words beginning with each sound and practise the correct letter formation. Students will also be introduced to a number of Tricky Words throughout the term.

On the 10^{th of} May, we will be holding an information session about our InitiaLit program and how we use this in the classroom. This will be a fantastic way to learn more about our learning as well as how you can support your child at home with reading.

NEWS

This Term, regular news will commence in Week 7. The first half of the term will be time to prepare for the public speaking competition at home.

HOME READERS

We will introduce our home reading program this term. Books are exchanged on Fridays out of their maroon reading bag, please ensure this is packed in their bags every Friday.

Reading at home should be a successful and positive experience. Children need a lot of practice to develop their reading skills to the point of fluency. 10 minutes of daily reading at home with a supportive adult can make all the difference. This will enable the students to demonstrate how to apply their letter-sound knowledge to reading simple texts. Guessing words from a picture or from context should not be encouraged. When your child gets stuck on a word, please encourage them to sound out an unknown word. Books can be read several times to build confidence and fluency.

HOME READING LOG

Please keep recording your child's reading in their Reading Log. The log should be kept in the maroon reading bag. If your Home Reading Log has been misplaced, just let us know.

TRICKY WORDS

Tricky Words can be practised at home using the Tricky word booklet. This list should be practised each week throughout the term. Students will be given a new Tricky word Booklet at the beginning of each term.

CLASSROOM ROUTINES

Please pack hats and raincoats in bags each day.

Monday KS Music

KS Mandarin KB Music KB Library

Tuesday Scripture

KS Library KB Mandarin

Friday Home reader swapping

Kindergarten Sport Assembly (fortnightly)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

6th May- Glen Street Theatre Excursion 10th May- Literacy Information session

14th June K-6 Athletics Carnival

27th June-Reports sent home in student bags

HATS and RAINCOATS

Thank you for providing your children with the school hats, with names clearly written. Hats are worn whenever the children are outside. Please note that without a hat, your child will need to spend recess and lunchtimes under the shade structures.

Every child must have a raincoat in their bag each day to keep them dry while moving around the school. Umbrellas aren't suitable, for safety reasons. Thanks for your help with this.

LUNCH BOXES

To assist with the quick return of misplaced lunch boxes, we recommend that you write your child's **name** and **class** on the outside of the lunch box and that it is of a size that is easy for your child to place back inside their bag. It also helps to have a separate small container for crunch and sip.

HELP IN THE CLASSROOM

Please let your child's teacher know if you would like to assist in the classroom in Term 2 during Literacy or Maths Groups. They will do their best to fit all interested parent helpers into the classroom timetable during the year. If you have any specific passions, talents or interests that you would like to teach in the classroom we would love to hear from you.

REMINDERS

- The Playground is supervised in the morning from 8:40am. If your child is regularly coming before this time they should be enrolled in Before School Care. Please see the office for information.
- The area outside the Kindy classes is <u>OUT OF BOUNDS</u> in the morning. We are very close to Pittwater Road, and it is unsafe for children to be near this area, even with their parents. It is NOT supervised by teachers. Please take your children to the main playground to find and play with a friend.
- Dogs are <u>not</u> permitted in the school at any time. Please leave them tied up outside the school fence.

Thank you all for your support and enthusiasm since the beginning of the year. We look forward to celebrating many more learning successes with your children this term.

Thank you so much,
Mrs Jennifer Slade, Miss S and Miss Bothwell.