

Welcome to Term Two!

Dear Stage One families,

We hope you had a restful and enjoyable holiday break. Here is some information to get us off to a great start this Term.

Week 1: Wednesday 27th April - ANZAC Day Assembly

Friday 29th April – Cross Country 3-6 (students in year 2 that are turning 8yrs old this year and can run 2kms competently).

Week 4 & 5: Public Speaking Class Competition - Class Speak Off

Week 6: Public Speaking Grade Final

Week 8: Tuesday 14th June - K- 6 Athletics Carnival

Week 10: Monday 27th June - Year One Music Concert

Friday 30th June - Jump Rope for Heart Day

News

This term the school will again be holding the **Public Speaking Competition**. We will be focusing on developing skills and strategies for speaking to an audience including using a clear voice, maintaining eye contact, using interesting describing words/topics to keep their listeners engaged. Students will be practising these skills during class news times and we would like you to encourage your child to practise these skills at home too.

<u>Week 1</u> – Students will discuss in class and choose a topic from the 'General Topics' list (see Public speaking note) and write a speech (1-2 minutes). Please help your child to write a speech and practise regularly at home.

<u>Weeks 2, 3 and 4</u> – In class support to develop public speaking strategies to support them for class speak off in week 5.

<u>Week 5</u> – Class 'speak-off' to determine the class representative to compete in the grade 'speak-off'.

Week 6 – The grade finals will be held.

<u>Weeks 7 - 10</u> Class teachers will let their students know what topics and allocate a news day.

Uniform

As the weather can be very variable in early Term 2, we normally start Term 2 with summer uniform and then let you know if we will change to winter uniform in Week 3 of Term 2. Please be reminded that by ordering through https://www.narrabeenlakesuniformshop.com.au/ you are supporting our P&C and all profits go back to our students.

A few reminders

- Please make sure that notes are provided for absences on the day students are absent. This can be done on a paper note the next day or via the SchoolZine app.
- Please make sure that ALL of your child's property is clearly labelled, including clothing and classroom materials.
- Birthdays. Iceblocks are always welcome (and preferred as they are individually wrapped and avoid most allergies). For your convenience these can be ordered through Flexischools Canteen ordering and will be delivered to the classroom by the canteen.
 - Please don't send in a cake to be cut into enough pieces for the whole class. If you have ever tried to do this you will know it is an impossible (and very messy) task. Cupcakes are welcome.
- Library and Home Readers Students need to bring their library bags and home reader bags to school every week. All students should be reading at home every day. We have hundreds of newly purchased home readers for the children to borrow. Please ensure your child is borrowing at least once a week. Don't forget the Home Reading Log for reading awards!
- **SPORT** will continue to be held every **FRIDAY**. Can all children please wear their sports uniform on this day.

Thank you

From the Stage One Teachers