


Year One Term Two 2023 Newsletter



We would like to welcome all of our families back for Term Two.

We are looking forward to an exciting term full of learning!

English	Mathematics	Learning for Life
In Reading, students will focus on using different strategies to solve unknown words and answer literal and inferential questions about a text. In Writing, students will further develop their ability to structure sentences correctly. They will practice writing information reports, narratives and procedures. They will continue to develop their handwriting and spelling strategies. During Speaking and Listening, students will participate in a range of activities exploring texts and English words.	Year One students will be participating in a broad range of open ended activities in Mathematics this term. In Number & Algebra, they will be building upon their knowledge of addition and subtraction, using materials and a range of strategies to solve problems. In Statistics and Probability, they will be exploring the chance of an event occurring using the language such as will happen, might happen and won't happen. In Measurement & Geometry, students will practice telling the time on a clock.	We will be focusing on Health and Ethics in Learning for Life this term. In Health, students will learn about choice they can make to keep themselves healthy and safe, at home and at school. In Ethics, students will learn about making good choices and the impact our choices can have on others. 

What's happening in Year One?

Mindfulness

Throughout the year, Year Ones will be using the smiling mind program to promote positive and healthy mindsets. Students are encouraged to access the smiling mind website from home.

<https://www.smilingmind.com.au/>



Home Readers

Students need to bring a reader bag to borrow home readers. This can be the school green reader bag or a bag from home.

Students are responsible to change their reader each morning as part of their morning process.

Please help us in reminding your child to change their reader each morning.

Reading nights are to be recorded in their yellow home reading book.

Dismissal

Gates are now open for parents to enter the school grounds for arrival and dismissal.

Grade 1 students will be dismissed from their classroom door at 3:30pm to either a parent/guardian or older sibling.

Please ensure that you are ready to collect students when they are dismissed or they will be sent to the office.

Homework Expectations

Reading	Mathematics	Spelling
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take home reader Magic and Gemstone Words Reading Eggs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maths Seeds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child is on spelling words they are required to practise these at home

Literacy – Reading

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
1-3	Searching for and using information	After listening to your child read, ask them some questions where they can find the answer in the book.
4-6	Inferring	After listening to your child read, talk with your child and ask questions about what characters might be feeling or the motives that they have. Use the book for some clues to help make these inferences.
7-9	Solving Words	When reading with your child, if they get to an unknown word

Literacy – Writing

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
1-3	Information Reports	Identify simple facts about animals, plants and objects. Research topics of interest and discuss what they have learnt.
4-6	Narrative	Encourage your child to use their imagination and make up a fiction story that includes characters, settings, problem and solution.
7-9	Procedure	Ask your child if they can explain the steps needed to complete everyday tasks. Make sure these are in order and make sense. You could also practice following simple procedures such as following a recipe.

Mathematics

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
1-4	Addition and Subtraction	Practice adding two collections together and finding the total. Practicing taking away a part of a collection and counting what is leftover. Practice using addition and subtraction in everyday situations.
5-6	Chance	Think of some everyday events that 'will happen', 'won't happen' or 'might happen'.
7-9	Time	Practice reading the time with your child from an analogue or digital clock. Practice using a calendar with your child, talk about what day, month and year it is and the season we are in. You could even use a timer to look at the duration of familiar events.