



Year One Term One 2023 Newsletter



We would like to welcome all of our families in Year One for 2023. We look forward to getting to know you and your children and to an exciting year full of learning ahead.

English	Mathematics	Learning for Life
In Reading, students will focus on using different strategies to solve unknown words, monitor their reading and make connections to the stories that they are reading. In Writing, students will further develop their ability to structure sentences correctly. They will practice using punctuation appropriately and adding more detail to their writing to make it more interesting. They will continue to develop their handwriting and spelling strategies. During Speaking and Listening, students will participate in daily reflections, focusing on developing their active listening skills, allowing them to ask questions about what they have heard.	Year One students will be participating in a broad range of activities in Mathematics this term. In Number & Algebra, they will be building upon their knowledge of counting and place value by naming, making and ordering numbers. In Measurement & Geometry, they will be exploring two and three dimensional shapes and identifying some features. 	We will be focusing on Health and Personal and Social Capabilities this term. In Health, students will learn about healthy food choices and how their body responds to physical activity. In Personal and Social Capabilities, students will practise solving simple problems and learning about the many ways to resolve conflict. They will look at ways to persist when faced with challenging problems and different ways to care for 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/>



SWPBS

Students can access their Caught Ya Card points via Compass. They are able to ask their teacher to redeem them for exciting rewards.



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.

If students are not collected by 3:45pm, 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"> Mathletics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child is on spelling words they are required to practise these at home

Literacy – Reading and Writing

Weeks	Topic	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
3-5	Retell	After listening to your child read, ask them to retell what happened in the story in their own words. Ask them to identify what happened at the beginning, middle and end of the story.
6-8	Recount	Encourage your child to write a recount about various activities they have taken part in. For example, what they did on the week end, a game they
9-11	Narrative	Encourage your child to use their imagination and make up a fiction story that includes characters, settings, problem and solution.

Mathematics

Weeks	Topic	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
3-5	Place Value	Provide opportunities for your child to identify how many hundreds, tens and ones in a given number.
6-8	Shape	Look around your home and local neighbourhood to identify the shapes you can see. Identify objects around your home that are 2D and discuss their features. Talk about similarities and differences between the 2D and 3D shapes you see.
9-11	Counting	Have your child count small collections of objects up to 20. Practise skip counting forwards and backwards by twos, fives and tens,