

# Grade 2 Newsletter Term 2, 2024

## Dates to Remember

<b>Homework Club</b>	Wednesday after school (3.20 - 4.10pm) in the library
<b>Bullying Incursion</b>	Wednesday 17th April
<b>Police In Schools Incursion</b>	Friday 19th April
<b>Anzac Day Public Holiday</b>	Thursday 25th April
<b>Queen Victoria Market Excursion</b>	Friday 26th April
<b>School Photos</b>	Wednesday 1st May
<b>Mother's Day Stall</b>	Thursday 9th May
<b>King's Birthday Public Holiday – No School</b>	Monday 10th June
<b>Pupil Free Day</b>	Tuesday 11th June
<b>Myuna Farm Excursion</b>	Monday 24th June
<b>Last Day Term 2</b>	Friday 28th June
<b>Term 3 starts</b>	Monday 15th July

The Grade 2 students have settled in really well.

The teachers in the Year 2 Department are:

- Ms Krystyna Bochenek (Room 17)
- Mr Aaron Willoughby (Room 18)

## OTHER PARENT INFORMATION:

- We encourage students to arrive on time before the 9am bell to maximise their learning opportunities.
- We hope for maximum student attendance to fulfill student learning potential throughout the year.
- We also encourage students to participate in the various lunch time clubs such as Chess Club & Lego Club.

## Curriculum Overview



### MATHS

This term in Mathematics, students have continued to engage in the Prime Mathematics Program to enhance their learning.

We are learning addition and subtraction strategies such as the split strategy, using number lines and vertical place value to solve 2 and 3 digit numbers.

Students will also be focusing on reading simple maps, measuring length and mass. (weight)

### READING:



This term students have been focusing on using the Mentor Texts called 'Anzac Ted' and 'Jetty Jumping.' Students will be participating in a variety of activities that are related to the text. Comprehension, fluency and vocabulary lessons are the focus whilst reading these shared texts. Students will continue to learn strategies to help them decode and solve words when they read.

Students will continue working through the various Little Learners texts and learn different letter sounds and combinations called phonemes and graphemes. Phonemes are the letter sounds and graphemes are the written letter combinations.

Students will practice daily reading and participate in small groups and reading conferences with their teachers.

We encourage students to keep reading every night with an adult. When reading with your child, we ask parents to discuss the text and talk about the characters and events in a story. Ask them questions like:

- What happened in the story?
- What was the problem in the story?
- How did the character feel? Why?

After reading with your child, please sign your child's reading diary. Students have the opportunity to attend Early Bird Reading in the library from 8.30 am for extra assistance with their reading.

### WRITING



This term, students will become more familiar with writing persuasive texts. They will have the opportunity to form personal opinions, with a focus to persuade the reader in their writing.

Each student will learn to follow the writing process which includes planning, drafting, editing and revising and publishing written work.

They will also develop their spelling strategies and the correct use of punctuation and grammar within their writing.

Students will also be learning about the four different types of sentences which include: commands, statements, questions and exclamations, with a focus on correct punctuation, grammar and spelling with a variety of different sentence structures. They will understand the purpose of writing these sentences to enhance their writing.



### **INQUIRY**

This term in our Inquiry topic: 'Tip Toe Through Our World' students are learning how to reduce, reuse and recycle as they consider the importance of sustainability. They will conduct an experiment to see how long things take to decompose and will develop personal sustainability goals as they consider the ethics of sustainability.

To further learn about sustainability, students will be visiting Myuna Farm to enhance student's learnings on this topic.



### **HOMEWORK**

- Homework will be handed out every Monday. This will consist of revision of concepts learnt in class.
- Please support your child with their learning at home, otherwise, Homework club is available for those students requiring extra help.
- Homework Club is on Wednesdays 3.20 - 4.10 pm in the Library.
- Please ensure your child has their homework ready to be completed if they are attending Homework club.

We look forward to an exciting, fun and productive term of teaching and learning.