

Grade 2 Newsletter Term 3, 2021

Dates to Remember

Hot Chocolate & Cookie / Out of uniform day	Friday 22nd July
Colour Fun Day (Year 2 Fundraiser)	Friday 5th August
P-6 Book Week Incursion	Monday 8th August
Pupil Free Day (No School)	Friday 12th August
Book Character parade	Tuesday 23rd August
Fathers Day Stall	Thursday 1st September
P-2 Concert	Wednesday 14th September
Footy Day Last day of Term 3	Friday 16th September
First day of Term 4	Monday 3rd October

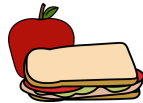
The teachers in the Year 2 Department are:

- Mr Aaron Willoughby (Room 18)
- Ms Krystyna Bochenek (Room 17)
- Ms Sonia Naicker (Room 14)

Welcome back to school for Term 3. We are extremely pleased to mention that the students in Grade 2 have all settled back into school routines extremely well and are full of enthusiasm for the term to come.

Brain Food:

- Please be mindful that it is important that students are provided with healthy snacks and lunch each day to help with their energy levels throughout the day. This will assist with their focus and productivity.
- Some suggestions are fresh fruit and vegetables for snacks, rather than processed packaged foods which have less nutritional value.
- Students are also encouraged to have a refillable bottle to ensure they are drinking water and staying hydrated during the day.



Home Reading:

- Home reading will continue in Term 3 with the expectations that students are reading every night for at least 20 minutes.
- We encourage parents to talk to their child about the text they have read.
- Students have made good progress with their reading and this has been especially evident with those students who are reading more regularly at home. The more books students read, the more they understand the texts they read as well as expand their word knowledge.



Early bird

- Congratulations to students who regularly attend the Early Birds reading program before school to practice their reading.
- The more reading opportunities students are exposed to, the more this will assist students' reading abilities.

Homework Club

- Homework club will continue to be offered on Wednesdays in the library after school until 4.10pm to assist students in completing their homework.
- Please make sure your child brings their homework book to Homework Club each week.

REMINDERS:

- **Hats:** Hats do not need to be worn during Term 3. It will be compulsory at the beginning of Term 4.
- **Labelling clothing:** Please continue to clearly label students uniforms, lunch boxes and drink bottles.
- **Punctuality:** Please make sure your child is on time for school and ready for learning at 9am. It is important your child is punctual so that they do not miss out on learning opportunities.

Grade 2 Fundraiser:

- On Friday 5th August, the Grade 2 department will be holding a 'Colour Fun Day' to raise money for Year 2's end of year fun day excursion. The grade 2 students will be involved in creating posters to display around the school, assist in making products such as play dough to sell on the day and promote this event during assemblies. The whole school will be encouraged to wear their favourite colour and donate a gold coin.

Curriculum Overview

MATHS

- Fractions (halves, quarters and eighths)
- 2D & 3D shapes
- Money (ordering and counting Australian coins & notes)
- Transformations (flips, slides & turns)
- Locations

READING:

This term in reading students will be exposed to fiction and nonfiction texts to continue to explore a range of reading comprehension strategies such as clarifying, visualising, making connections, summarising and synthesising.

WRITING

In writing students will explore the structure and text features of information reports and procedural texts. They will be exposed to a wide variety of text and will develop the necessary tools to research, draft and publish their own finished pieces. Students will continue to revise and edit their own work looking for correct placement and size of letters, full stops and capital letters in the right place and rereading their own work to ensure it makes sense. Students will also be learning to make strong sentences.

INQUIRY

This term's Inquiry unit is 'Celebrating Differences'. Students will be immersed in learning about and respecting other cultures.

Thank you for the continued support. Grade 2 Teachers.