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Teacher's Note

Dear Parents and Guardians,
Welcome to Term 3! We hope everyone enjoyed a restful break and is ready for another exciting term of learning.



Important Events



Upcoming:
Inquiry, Generations Incursion

September 4th – Dinner and Disco

Numeracy

In Numeracy, students will explore fractions, time and geometry.
In our Fractions unit, students will learn about halves and quarters using hands-on materials and real-life examples.



In our Time unit, students will develop their understanding of calendars and analogue clocks, including important dates and telling the time, with a focus on o'clock, half-past, quarter-past and quarter-to times.

In our Shape and Line unit, students will investigate 2D shapes, 3D objects and different types of lines, describing their features using mathematical language.



English

In English this term, Year 2 students will engage in a series of rich text studies.

Students will explore the texts Eagle, Crow and Emu Bird Stories, Swifty, Little Bird's Day and The Bush Birds. Through these texts, they will develop their comprehension skills by making predictions, discussing characters and themes, and responding to texts through speaking and writing.

Throughout the term, students will continue to strengthen their reading fluency, phonics knowledge, spelling and vocabulary. They will also practise creating written responses and using evidence from texts to support their ideas.

Students will be encouraged to think deeply about stories, share their thinking and make connections between texts and their own experiences.

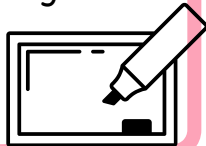
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Phonological Awareness

Students will continue participating in our Phonics Plus program, which supports the development of reading, spelling and writing skills. Through explicit teaching, students will learn letter-sound relationships, practise blending and segmenting words, and develop confidence when reading and spelling unfamiliar words.



Respectful Relationships

This term, students will focus on the Respectful Relationships topics of Stress Management and Help-Seeking.

Students will learn strategies to manage their emotions, build positive friendships and develop resilience. They will also identify trusted people in their lives and practise how to ask for help when they need support.



Inquiry

In inquiry this term, students will participate in our Inquiry unit, Through Generations.

Students will explore how life has changed over time by investigating the past, present and future. They will learn about family histories, traditions and important events, while developing their questioning and research skills. Throughout the unit, students will compare life across generations and consider how people, technology and communities have changed over time.

Investigations

During Investigations, students will continue to collaborate, problem-solve and apply their learning through purposeful play and inquiry-based experiences.



Grammar and Punctuation

We will be running weekly Grammar and Punctuation lessons through explicit weekly lessons. They will learn to write complete sentences, use punctuation correctly and apply these skills to improve their writing across all learning areas.



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Homework Reminders

Home Reading remains an important part of learning in Year 2 and students are strongly encouraged to read regularly at home throughout the term. Reading together, discussing stories and practising sight words all help build confidence and fluency. Please remind your child to change their reader each day.



English



In addition to home reading, families may wish to support classroom learning through some of the following activities:

Literacy • Ask your child to retell stories they have read and discuss the characters, setting and important events. Encourage your child to make predictions about what might happen next in a story and explain their thinking. Explore Australian birds and animals together through books, videos or visits to local parks and discuss interesting facts you discover.

Numeracy

Fractions Unit:

Look for fractions in everyday life by cutting sandwiches, fruit or pizza into halves and quarters.

Time unit:

Practise reading clocks around the home and discuss important times throughout the day. • Use a calendar to count down to special events, identify months and discuss important family dates.



Shape and Line Unit:

Go on a shape hunt around your home or neighbourhood and identify 2D shapes, different types of lines.

Inquiry



Talk with a family member about what life was like when they were younger. Ask questions about school, technology, games or family traditions. • Look through old family photographs and discuss how things have changed over time. • Share stories about special family traditions, celebrations or important memories.

These simple conversations and activities help students make meaningful connections between their learning at school and their everyday lives.