

Oh, what fun in Year 1!

Meet the teachers!

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If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please feel free to email them any questions or organise a time to meet with them.

Welcome to Term 1!

As your child's teachers, we are very excited for what this year holds, and cannot wait to get started. In Year 1, the children will face a range of new learning experiences as they negotiate their new curriculum. Throughout the year, they will share, consolidate and extend their knowledge and skills, and will gain confidence in their abilities as they grow and learn. As teachers and parents, we are in a privileged position to observe the enthusiasm and energy our early years learners have as they move through their first years of school. We anticipate a wonderful year of academic, social and personal growth. So, let's get started!

Important Term 1 Dates to Remember!

Parent Teacher Interviews – 16th to 20th March

Easter Bonnet Parade – 3rd April



FAQs

How can I help my child improve their Sight Word knowledge and Reading?

As always, we will be placing a strong focus on sight words and phonics practice throughout this term, ensuring we consistently and effectively cover these topics on a daily basis through our English Unit, Phonics lessons and Daily Writing.

However, you can help! In Week 3, we will begin to send home the students' Home Readers. These Home Readers will consist of a Sight Words book (to use when practising sight words at home), a Home Reading Log book, and a levelled reading book given to your child based off their current reading level.

We encourage you to participate in this program by reading with your child every night, and practising those sight words!

If your child is still struggling with their alphabet knowledge and sounds, don't be afraid to also cover the different letters and sounds each night. Sometimes, practice is all it takes!

What are we learning about this term?

ENGLISH

This term's English unit involves the students exploring the emotions and feelings of characters from various fictional texts. We will specifically be looking at Australian books, honing in on native Australian animal characters. For part of their assessment this term, students will be creating their own 'mixed up' Australian animal, and will label its features using creative noun groups.

Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful

Let's follow our school rules when arriving and leaving school. Remember that playgrounds and other play areas are out of bounds, and students waiting for parents or guardians to collect them should wait sensibly 😊

Other areas of our curriculum

This year, your child will have the opportunity to engage in a range of subjects with a variety of teachers. This will allow them to experience a range of teaching styles each week:

- Health – with Mrs Jennie McIntyre
- Science – with Mrs Caroline Kuss/Ms Kelly Maurice
- Music – with Mrs Cara Nabbs
- Physical Education – with Ms Tracy Shaab
- Digital Technologies – with Miss Taylor Donnelly



MATHS

This term, students will apply a variety of mathematical knowledge and skills in whole class, group and individual situations. They will have opportunities to develop their understanding of:

- Number and Place Value – We will be learning how to count and order 2-digit numbers, while also improving our ability to represent addition and subtraction situations using hands-on materials. Teen numbers are going to be a major focus for us this term, with students learning how to represent a teen number in multiple ways.
- Time Durations – We will also practise using hours, days, weeks, months and years to show duration of time, while also discussing the calendar on a daily basis.
- Statistics and Data – We will be collecting data to ask questions. We will draw simple graphs and make inferences using these displays.
- Measurement – We will be exploring measurement by comparing, ordering and measuring lengths of various objects using hands-on materials.

Overview of Annual Costs for Year 1

Term 1:

Air conditioning (school-wide contribution) \$80.00 per family

Term 2:

School Disco = \$5.00 entry

Term 3:

Healthy Harold (Life Ed.) = \$9.00

Excursion = Approximately \$10.00

Term 4:

Disco = \$5.00 entry

Class party = \$5.00

Year 2 Booklist = Approximately \$100.00

Let's come to school every day!

Our school prides itself on positive and consistent attendance from its students. Let's keep this up in 2020!