

Year 1/2 Team Newsletter

Term 1 2018

Welcome to all of our wonderful students and families.

The 1/2 team is off to a positive start and teachers are busy getting to know your child. There will be a chance for you to tell us more when we meet with you on Tuesday the 20th of February.

Currently we are familiarising students with our classroom routines, school values and expectations. We are also building connections with your child and they with each other.

We look forward to working with you and your child in 2018.

Important Dates

20th February-Meet and Greet
23rd February-House Spirit Launch
23rd February-Casual Clothes
9th March-Curriculum Day
5th March-Whole School Dental
9th March-Curriculum Day
12th March-Public Holiday
29th March-End of Term

Home Reading

Children change their take home pouches each day. We value your support and encourage you to sit with your child to listen and share in their reading nightly. Books coming home should not be hard and the experience should be enjoyable. Asking questions before, during and after reading is a great way to check their understanding. And rereading the same book is okay too as it encourages fluency. After all, reading is more than getting the words right.

House Spirit and School Values

Sunbury Heights Primary has three values that we aim to instil; Kindness, Responsibility and Respect. We are currently learning what each of these means. House Spirit is about to be launched and it looks exciting. What a great way to build connections across the school. Should you wish, House coloured t-shirts can be purchased via the office.

Term 1 Learning

Literacy -In these first weeks, we are setting up our class routines and expectations so that children are ready for future learning. Children read and write each day and explore a sound each week and its spelling choices. We have been writing recounts about familiar events and writing letters to introduce ourselves. In reading our big focus is about making predictions before and during reading.

Mathematics-This term we are building our number knowledge. We have been counting, skip counting and also learning about reading, writing and making numbers beyond 100. We have investigated odd and even numbers and numbers that come before and after.

In the coming weeks we will explore chance and the probability of events happening, addition and subtraction and time.

Inquiry-Next week we will begin our topic titled Meet My Family. We will be exploring the ideas around what makes a family and who is in our families and what are some family traditions.

Specialists- In Science students are exploring chemical reactions through exciting hands on experiments. In P.E the focus is on throwing and catching, in Italian they are learning some Italian words and in Art they are learning about sport and movement in art. We are also lucky to have some musical time scheduled with Miss Brand and a day for Sport with all the Year 1s at once and at another time for all the Year 2s.

Specialist Days

Please make sure your child has a library bag and art smock at school. Proper footwear, water bottle and a hat is required for P.E and Sport.

Brain Food

Each morning teachers allow time for children to enjoy a healthy piece of fruit or vegetable. Please remember to pack that extra something.

Hats



These are required this term. Please no caps as these do not protect the neck area. Board rimmed hats meet out Sun Smart and Uniform policy. No hat or an improper hat, means that your child will be asked to sit under the rotunda to ensure their health and safety.