



Welcome back to Term Three everyone. We are officially half way with much planned for this term. We will be visiting Werribee Mansion (as part of our Old and New unit) at the end of term and expect it to cost about \$30 per student. There is also a cost of \$10 for Life Education mid-way through the term. We encourage you to budget for this as all of our planned activities support your child's classroom learning and give them valuable life experiences. We all look forward to supporting each child's learning.

Important Dates

15th July-Term Three commences
18th July-Start Smart-banking visit
31st July – 100 days of school celebration
19th-26th Aug- Life Education Visit
12th-16th Aug-Science Week
19th-23rd Aug-Book Week
5th Sept-Jump Rope For Heart
16th Sept- Pet Ownership visit
19th Sep- Werribee Excursion
20th Sept-End of Term

Life Education

The Life Education van will be visiting Sunbury Heights in Term Three. The 1/2 students will participate in a class called "Safety Rules". They will learn to recognise safe and unsafe environments, how to care for others, behaviours that maintain friendships and places that people can go to for help. The cost for this excursion will be **\$10 per student**. A note will be sent early next term.

Home Reading

Your child should bring home a book slightly below their 'teaching' level, each day. We encourage you to make time to sit with your child each night, listen to them read aloud, ask questions about what they've read and to then record it in their Home Reading Diary. Rereading the same book is okay too as this allows your child to focus more on fluency and expression. i.e. how they sound. Research shows that children who read at home each day, tend to perform much better in other areas of literacy too. On the back of this newsletter are some suggestions about the types of questions you can ask your child before, during and after reading.

Thank you
1/2 Team

Term Three Learning

Literacy - We will look at the sequencing of ideas in texts, paraphrasing (rewording the text's ideas) and inferencing (looking for clues to answer deeper questions). Students will also learn about the features of narrative and persuasive texts and then draft their own, on chosen topics.

Mathematics-This term we are revising our addition and subtraction strategies before introducing multiplication and division. We will also explore mass, capacity and the features of 3D shapes.

Inquiry- Term Three will see us exploring and experiencing things from the past and comparing them to how things are today. We will look at how technology has had a significant impact on our lives.

Specialist Days – for 1/2 . *Please note these changes*

P.E: Friday

Art: Wednesday

Science: Monday

Italian: Tuesday

Library: Tuesday

Music: Wednesday

House Spirit: Thursday

Please make sure your child has a library bag and an art smock at school. Proper footwear and a water bottle is also required for P.E and House Spirit.



Arrival Times

8.50 am is school arrival time for class and anything later than this is a disruption to the whole class and results in missed instruction. Please be timely.



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 for your child to eat at this time.



Tissues

As winter is well and truly upon us it would be appreciated if students could please bring a box of tissues for the class to share.



House Spirit

Whilst the colder weather remains, House Spirit will continue indoors for Term Three, with a focus on Multicultural experiences. The 1/2 Team will continue to meet each Thursday to participate in this. House t-shirts can be ordered via the front office.