

# Pod 1 and Pod 2B

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Dear parents/caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3. It really does feel like this year is flying by. Pod 1 and Pod 2B have a busy term ahead with lots of different and exciting activities ahead.

This term we will continue to present activities that will develop your child into an independent learner. We will continue to have high expectations for both learning and student behaviour. Pod 1 and Pod 2B will get a taste of a secondary classroom by going over to Valley View Secondary School on alternate weeks for a chemical sciences unit of work. We will also swap for weekly Geography and Economics lessons. To promote unity among the classes we will endeavour to join twice a week for some P.E. lessons.

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## ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

### LITERACY

Both classes will complete regular grammar lessons. Pod 1 will complete a book study on Misery Guts by Morris Gleitzman. Pod 2B will focus on The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton. Writing tasks will focus on the report writing genre. Students will create information reports, newspaper reports and present a report orally.

### NUMERACY

Weeks 1 and 2 will be a focus on revision of number facts. Weeks 3,4 and 5 will focus on Chance and Data. Students will learn and use mean, median, mode and range to analyse data. Graphs and stem and leaf plots will be used to present data. The rest of the term will focus on geometry and working with angles

## Upcoming Events

### July 25

SAPSASA Basketball

### August 9

SAPSASA Soccer

### August 20

Bookweek Celebrations

*Find Your Treasure Theme*

### September 3

School Closure and Pupil Free Day (September 4)

### Week 8

Optional Interviews

### Week 9

Camp

### September 27

IFEPS Talent Quest

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### Homework

**Homework will continue in Term 3. Please remember it is up to you to make sure that your child is doing homework each week.**

Students have the tasks set for them on a contract sheet. Students have homework each week. If you don't want your child doing homework or wish to arrange an alternative task, please feel free to contact Dane or Jason

## SCIENCE

This term will see Pod 1 and Pod 2B visit Mr Tonkins and Ms Sparks over at Valley View Secondary School. Student will complete a Chemical Sciences unit and learn about lab safety.

## HASS

Students will swap classrooms for weekly HASS lessons. Mr O will deliver Economics lessons, exploring the roles and relationships of business and consumers in our society. Mr Bates and Ms T will deliver Geography lessons focusing on the factors of liveability and how they influence where people live throughout the world.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students will receive fortnightly PE lessons with Mr Harris. Pod 1 and Pod 2B will also work together to develop sport based skills through the game of Ultimate Frisbee. Both classes will also focus on teamwork and cooperation skills through these lessons.

## CHILD PROTECTION CURRICULUM

Pod 1 and Pod 2B will continue to explore the Child Protection Curriculum on a weekly basis. Students will explore aspects of personal safety, risk taking behaviours and cyber safety.

## THE ARTS WITH MRS COSTELLO

Last term we had to prepare a play in a group and perform from a script for an audience. This term we are extending on this and students will be required to perform a monologue. Monologues are a speech delivered by one actor.

Students will be required to memorise small verses from poems and well-known Australian stories, and then perform it to an audience on their own. Students will have the opportunity to prepare their own speech as the major assessment item.

We will be continuing to explore voice, timing and emotion to further develop our performing skills.

## Woodhouse Camp

Week 9 will see Pod 1 and Pod 2B travel to the Woodhouse Camp Site in the Adelaide Hills for three days and two nights.

Thank you to all families who have already paid the deposit and to those who have paid in full.

We will send out a reminder notice later in the term. But just a reminder that the remaining balance will need to be paid before leaving for camp.

To save costs students will be making their own meals in their kitchen garden sessions in Term 3. Thank you Mel for all your help with this.

We will send out a note with what to bring but advance warning that mobile phones and other electronic devices will not be permitted on camp.

