

WELCOME TO TERM 2

Welcome back to term 2! I began the term by offering a blended learning approach to teaching where I offered a balance between supporting learning on site with learning at home. We are now slowly returning back to normal with the vast majority of students returning to class and I anticipate to returning to our normal way of operating very soon.

Those families who are choosing to continue to learn from home must ensure that you touch base with the school each day and complete set work via google classroom.

Although we are almost back to normal we have been directed to encourage parents not to enter the buildings or gather in large groups outside. If parents need to see me for any reason an appointment should be made at a convenient time.

As you know I have high expectations of all students in my class. We are still working hard to continue to develop important skills to become strong independent learners. Second term is also the time that teachers start thinking about writing reports ready to go home at the end of the term. This is an important time for the student to not only reflect on their learning but also to take ownership of their actions. If students struggle to get their work completed and do not hand anything up, then it makes it difficult to assess their learning in that area.

We have had a huge focus on developing responsibilities and ownership last term. I will keep in touch with you if I feel that your child is struggling to keep up to date with their work. Also, please note that all children have a right to learn, therefore it is important that your child respects that and allow their peers and teachers to learn and teach. I will contact you if your child is not maintaining this basic level of respect.

Thank you,

Dane

HOMework

As you are aware, I do not set "homework". However, if your child is not meeting my expectations for their work in class. They will take that work home and complete it, this is also about building independence and time management skills. Or they will be required to complete their work in the library at lunch time.

COVID-19

As you are aware, Covid-19 has made the start of the year very, very difficult. There has been a lot of missed learning, therefore, we will be working extra hard in Pod 1 to recap, reteach and build new learning.

It is vitally important that your child does not miss days consistently. They need to be at school, they need to be learning.

DATES AND LEARNING

- Wednesday 27th May – Reconciliation week begins
- Monday 8th June Queen`s Birthday public holiday
- Friday 26th June- Pupil Free
- Friday 4th July-Last day

Make sure you are talking to your child consistently to keep updated with all the learning we are doing in Pod 1. This term we will be looking at:

- Chance/Data/Shape
- Information Reports
- Text Comparisons
- Earthquakes and Biology
- Ancient Worlds
- CPC-Safety and Respect
- Still life/pattern Art
- Tee-Ball