



# Ingle Farm East Primary School

Term Two, Year 2/3, 2020

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## Dear Families,

I would like to welcome you and your child back for another term. This term will begin looking different to a normal term at school, as we are still working through Covid-19. Pod 3 will remain as normal as possible. Some families will be choosing to home school using the work I am providing and will be expected to make contact each day. Some children will be coming to school as normal. As we have learnt, things are forever changing, I'm sure by the end of term two things would have changed again, hopefully to a more 'normal' way of living.

## Communication

I will be continuing to communicate with families electronically through Class Dojo, I can also be contacted through email and for people choosing home school I will be making contact through Google Classroom. As we are busy teaching throughout the school day, we are unable to respond immediately but messages will be checked before and after school, or at the teacher's convenience. If it is of an urgent matter, please contact the Front Office. If you are choosing to home school it is a Government rule to make contact with the teacher each day.

## Morning Routine

To ensure that children quickly settle into their classroom we will follow a morning routine this begins at 8:50. Students are asked to:

- Put their bag in their locker, drink bottle on the bench and place healthy snack on their desk
- Come to the floor and sit in a circle
- By 8:55am families are asked to say their goodbyes as the class now becomes a learning zone
- The roll will we read and we will begin morning news.

## Library borrowing

Students are given the opportunity to change readers and borrow new books during library borrowing time at 2:15pm on Mondays.

## Home Learning

Students will receive their home learning tasks on a Monday, these will be stuck in their books and will be brought home Monday night. Students will need to complete at least two of the home learning activities as well as reading all their books and readers and adding them to the reading challenge sheet. Home learning books need to be returned on Friday for checking. If students do not complete their home learning they will be asked to complete one activity during creative playtime.



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## Absences

We are legally required to provide a reason for a child's absence. If your child is away from school please let me know via the office, Class Dojo, phone message or Skoolbag. It is a legal requirement that we keep a record of attendance and lateness and follow up any unexplained absences or frequent lateness to school.

## Healthy Snack

We incorporate 'Fruit and veggie breaks' into our daily routine during the morning. We aim to have our 'Fruit and veggie break' at approximately 10am. This break is of about 5 -10 minutes duration and gives the students an opportunity to get a drink of water and have a quick snack (ie one piece of fruit). We are asking that each child bring to school each day a bottle of water, clearly labelled with their name, and a small amount of either / or fruit and vegetables that they can quickly eat during this break time.

## Parent volunteers

If you are available during the week and would like to support our learning in the classroom in any way for example: taking a small group for cooking, listening to reading, excursions etc. please let me know. Parents working in the classroom are required to have completed the Parent Volunteer training and have had a criminal history check. If you wish to become a parent volunteer, please see Matt or Deb for information.

## Term 2 key dates

Pod 3 assembly – 8<sup>th</sup> May (To be confirmed)

School Photos – 13<sup>th</sup> May (To be confirmed)

National Sorry day – 26<sup>th</sup> May

Queens Birthday Public Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> June

Pupil Free Day – 26<sup>th</sup> June

Reports go home – 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Last day of term – 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Please do not hesitate to contact me either via Class Dojo or via email if you would like to set up a meeting or have any questions throughout the year.

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