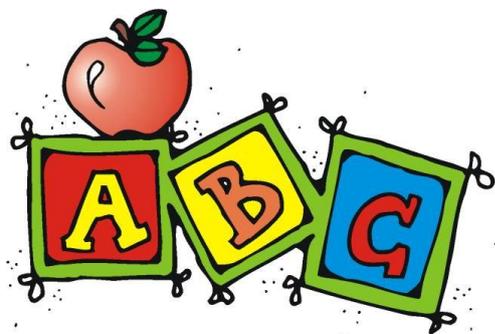


Room 1 Term 2 Newsletter



Welcome back to Term 2.

We hope you all enjoyed the holiday break.

The students have made wonderful progress in their learning this year. Their reading skills are developing, they are becoming more fluent with sounding out, writing words and much more. A big shout out to all the parents and caregivers for supporting your children with their reading and letter sound practice. The extra support at home has been paramount for their growth. Every little bit makes a huge improvement to your child's development. Thank you for your support and for being excellent co-educators of your child.

We have had a busy and enjoyable start to the new term, and the class are working and getting along well together. Late last term we welcomed a new student into our classroom, Harsimarn, and everyone has been doing a wonderful job helping her to settle in.

This term we are encouraging growing independence in all students. This means learning to organise and care for their belongings. You can help your child develop these skills by allowing them to carry their own bags to and from school, unpack and pack their bags at home and at school, and bring in the things they need for the day by themselves.

We have included some reminders and notes below for this term, however if you have any questions please speak with one of us.

Lily and Donna.

Adelaide Gaol excursion

On Monday 3rd June, Room 1 and Room 3 are going on an excursion to the Adelaide Gaol and Bonython Park Playspace.

An excursion note and consent form was sent home in your child's reading folder. Please return payment and the consent form to the Finance Office by Monday 27th May.

We are hopeful that all our students will be able to join us! 😊

At-home reading challenge

Our at-home reading challenge is back on! Awards will continue to be given out each Thursday. If your child has reached a number of nights read award, please do not complete the award for/with them. We do this in class, along with a small presentation ceremony and a pick from the treasure chest.

A reminder;

Until your child is assessed as being ready to take home decodable readers to read at home, we are asking that you please read the book we send home in your child's reading folder to them. Your child is not to read the book to you! Once you have shared the book, please record it in your child's reading record book. We aim to check these daily and have your child select a new book to take home and share with you.

Subitising lists

To help support your child's learning in mathematics, we will be sending home a 'subitise list' for your child to practice at home with you.

Subitising is the ability to instantaneously recognise the number of objects in a small group without the need to count them. An example often used to explain this, is to think of a die – we immediately recognise the number of dots without having to count each one individually.

Here is a short video explaining subitising;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lwt7NgfeZRY>

Subitise lists will be attached to the current page of your child's reading log book and assessed weekly.

Allergies

This year, one or more of our students is allergic to peanuts and/or tree nuts, and gluten/wheat. Due to the seriousness of these allergies, we are asking you please do not send peanut or tree nut products to school.

Our classroom is a peanut and tree nut free area.

Illness

If your child is not well, please keep him/her at home as illness can spread quickly.

If your child requires medication during the school day, please let us know so we can advise you of the process.

Following any absence, it is a Department for Education requirement that a parent and/or care-giver

provides a reason. We ask that you please send us a private message via Class Dojo, phone Deb in the front office, or speak with one of us.

Headlice

These annoying little critters are a fact of life anywhere there are children in close contact with one another.

Please check your child's hair on a regular basis and keep long hair tied back. If you do find live lice or eggs, please treat your child's hair before sending them back to school.

It is important that you also let one of us know, so a note can be sent home to all families.

Tissues

With the colder weather fast approaching and the inevitable coughs and colds we tend to go through a lot of tissues. The donation of a box of tissues from each family is much appreciated.

Late arrivals

If you drop your child late to school please help them transition into the classroom by encouraging them to independently unpack their bag, quietly join the class group and await teacher instruction. If you would like to discuss anything with us, please see us at the end of the school day or send us a private message via Class Dojo.

If your child is having a problem at school.

- Sit down and talk with your child. Ask your child to explain the problem from his or her perspective, so that you can support them as you work through the issue.
- Request a meeting. Make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss the problem.
- Keep a positive attitude. Always remember that you and the teacher are working together to help your child.
- Ask questions. Do not be afraid to ask questions or request more information.

Please remember that If at any time throughout the term you have a question, concern or issue, please be sure to come and speak with one of us. Alternatively, you can send us a message via Class Dojo or contact us via our email addresses listed below.

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A final note

Please remember that the northern block is a 'learning zone' between the hours of 8:55am and 3:05pm.

We kindly ask that all parents and care-givers vacate the building once the second bell sounds at 8.55am and do not re-enter the building until the end of day bell sounds.

Parents can wait under the trees or under the library veranda if it is wet. It is quite distracting to our students when they can hear parents and younger siblings.

We thank you for your support!

Dates to remember:

Tuesday 14 th May	Governing council
Wednesday 22 nd May	National simultaneous storytime
Monday 27 th May	Pupil free day
27 th to 31 st May	Reconciliation Week
Monday 3 rd June	Adelaide Gaol excursion
Wednesday 5 th June	Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
Monday 10 th June	Public holiday
Tuesday 18 th June	Governing council
Friday 21 st June	Room 1 assembly
1 st to 5 th July	NAIDOC Week
4 th July	Reports sent home
5 th July	Last day of term