



Year 1-2 Team Newsletter Term 3 2021

Dear Families,

This term we are continuing performance arts and science rotations to enhance our learning program. Each teacher will provide a specialist program once a week in music, drama, physical science and chemical science. Students will rotate every six weeks so that they will participate in all programs by the end of the year.

This term, the rotations are as follows:

- 1 2 LA - Music with Ms Rieksts
- 1 2 LR - Chemical Science with Ms Pulford
- 1 2 TP - Drama with Ms McCormack
- 1 2 SM - Physical Science with Mrs Anderson

CURRICULUM: This term we are focussing on the following areas:

MATHS	READING	WRITING	SPELLING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Place value ● Shape ● Money ● Fractions ● Time ● Days, Weeks and Months ● Addition ● Subtraction 	<p>Comprehension strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Questions when reading ● Text structure and features ● Inferring <p>Decoding new words</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blending letter-sounds ● Predicting words that make sense ● Rereading and reading on to check for accuracy 	<p>Building sentences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Using Colourful Semantics</i> ● Punctuation ● Writer's Notebook ● Handwriting skills 	<p>Building words with <i>Sounds Write</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identifying the sounds of each letter to allow students to further improve their reading and spelling.

Inquiry

In Term 3, we will be focusing on Cultural Diversity. Students will be learning about different cultural traditions and will compare similarities and differences between cultures. They will also be able to reflect on their family's culture. To support learning in this inquiry unit, an incursion 'Cultural Explosion' has been organised. The incursion will focus on cultures from The Middle East, India and Darwin Australia. If possible, we are hoping to host a showcase of various cultural games at the end of the term. Term 2's incursion of making recycled paper will be held at a later stage with a date yet to be confirmed.

Upcoming Events

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| ● Parent Teacher Interviews | Friday, 23 rd July |
| ● Cultural Explosion Incursion | Monday, 26 th July – this will need to be rescheduled |
| ● Premiers' Reading Challenge | Ongoing later this term |
| ● Pyjama Day and Paper Making Incursion | Date TBA |