Welcome to Term 3! We hope you enjoyed your break and are excited for the term ahead. We are looking forward to the events and activities we have planned, such as the Lego Land excursion and the school production.

Inquiry-
This term the grade 1/2’s inquiry topic is ‘Design, Creativity and Technology’. We will be learning about why products are designed and the design process. We will also investigate why particular materials are selected to build particular products. This will all lead to an exciting design project... stay tuned for more! Additionally, we will be looking at how people stay safe during the production process. We would love to have some parents come in as guest speakers to talk about design, construction or occupational safety, so if you have any experience in these areas we’d love to hear from you.

Literacy-
This term we will be focussing on Procedures and Information Reports. Students will be reading and writing these genres focussing on the structure, language and punctuation used.

Numeracy-
This term students will be expanding on our understanding of place value, investigating different multiplication and division strategies, collecting data and graphing it.

Home Learning-
Students will continue to receive a home learning task each Friday, with the tasks being due back at school by the following Thursday. Last term students did a wonderful job of completing their tasks and bringing them back to school on time- keep up the good work!

Students will receive a range of different tasks consolidating the learning that is occurring in the classroom. Homework is given at this level to assist in developing a sense of responsibility and organisation. Please see the classroom teacher if there are difficulties with homework before they become major issues.

Students are expected to read every night at home for at least 15 minutes from their reading satchel. Take home readers are an important part of learning to read. We send home readers that are meant to be easy for your child to read. The words and pattern of the text are to be very familiar so fluency and confidence are increased.
Blog-

Our blog will continue to be added to this term. It is a great way to communicate what students are learning in the classroom. Please subscribe to our blogs so you can be kept up to date with all the latest news.


Parent helpers-

Parent helpers are extremely valuable within the classroom and we greatly appreciate those who have helped out so far this year. If you would like to help out in your child’s classroom, please contact their teacher.

Excursion and Incursion-

This term we will be visiting Lego Land at Docklands for a day of creating and constructing. This ties in with our inquiry topic this term, which is ‘Design, Creativity and Technology’.

Important Dates-

- 27th August- Lego Land excursion
- 29th August- School production dress rehearsal at Whittlesea Secondary College
- 1st and 2nd of September- School production

Thank you for your continued support within and outside the classroom. We look forward to the third term of the year. Remember our door is always open if you have any questions or problems please feel free to come and speak to us.

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