

# Grade 2 Newsletter

## WELCOME BACK!!

We hope you've all had a great holidays and are ready for the new school year. Grade 2 is going to be a very busy and exciting year, especially with the Grade 2 Production!

Here is some important information to help the year run smoothly.

### Timetable

Attached to this newsletter is our class timetable with our list of specialist subjects on it. Please place it somewhere in your house so that you can refer to it when you need to.

Please ensure that your child is wearing runners on the days that they have Physical Education and Fitness.

### Assembly- Starting 7<sup>th</sup> February

School assembly is held every Tuesday morning at 9:00am Please have your child in the classroom by 8:45am. If you are late please bring your child straight to the hall and take their bag to the classroom. Parents are welcome to stay for assembly.

### Morning Reading

Morning reading will begin next week, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of February. Students will be allocated one day per week to read with their teacher. On remaining days, students will be required to read with a parent. We welcome all parents to stay for morning reading and if you are able to, please try and read a few pages with as many children as possible.

### Parent Information Evening - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February @ 6pm

Please save this date in your calendar. It is a great night to hear about the year ahead and ask any questions you have about grade 2.

### School Books

Your child's school work books will be sent home in the next couple of weeks to be contacted in clear contact. This will ensure they are kept in good condition all year.

### Literacy

In Literacy this term, we will be learning about:

- Recounts
- Narratives
- Information Reports
- Spelling and Grammar
- Punctuation

### Maths

In Maths this term we will be covering the following topics:

- Skip Counting
- Number Sequencing
- Place Value
- Shapes
- Symmetry
- Months
- Seasons
- Graphing and interpreting data
- Chance and Data

### Birthdays

If your child is celebrating a birthday you are more than welcome to bring along some treats or a birthday cake to share with the rest of the class. However, please be aware that some students have allergies so please see your child's classroom teacher before bringing food in.

### Parent Representative

If you are interested in being a Class Rep, please see your classroom teacher. Class Reps are usually in charge of creating a parent contact list, organising any parent get togethers and whole class events outside of school.

### Late Arrival & Student Absence

If your child is late for school please make sure you go to the office BEFORE you come to the classroom to obtain a sign-in slip. Any time after 9.15am is considered late. Furthermore, written notification (email or note) is required for all student absences, either in advance or after your child has been away. If you are picking your child up early from school, please sign them out at the office and bring the sign out slip to your child's teacher.

### Reminders

- Please encourage your child to be independent by carrying their own bags and preparing themselves for the school day.
- Please use the outside doors to enter and exit the classrooms (2JD are to use the end door near the Junior Music room).
- Shoes need to be changed as soon as your child enters the classroom, except on Tuesdays when we have Assembly.
- Students will need to bring an art smock, library bag and a box of tissues to school if they haven't already.
- Please ensure that ALL of your child's belongings are clearly named.

It is important that students are reading each night, accessing Reading Eggspress and Mathletics. This ensures that students are revising and practising what they have learnt at school.

Thank you,

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