



Year 1 News - September

Welcome to Spring ☀ I hope all of our dads and grandpas enjoyed a very special Father's Day! Can you believe we are nearly at the end of a flat-out term 3? I hope your AFL team has made the finals! School holidays are almost in sight!

Calendar dates

3-6/9	Scholastic Book Fair 3.30-4.00pm in the Jnr Music Room
8/9	OSPS Family Social Night @ Crocs
10/9	Issue 6 Book Club orders due
12/9	Win Vennie! Lego robot photos due
13/9	Prep & Year 1 Multicultural Day
17-20/9	Year 6 Production - Seussical!
21/9	Footy Dress Up Day! Last Day of Term- **2.30pm** finish Year 1's performing at assembly

Reminders

- As part of our school's Sun Smart policy, all students need to wear a hat outside during Spring and Summer. Please bring your child's hat back to school asap ☺
- Please ensure you provide written notification (an email or a note) for any days your child is absent from school, whether it is due to illness, an appointment or a holiday. This is a legal requirement by the Department of Education.

Don't forget the 'Flexibuzz' app for important school announcements!

What we're learning

Reading & Grammar

- Identifying details
- Main idea
- Sequencing and retelling
- Comparing and contrasting
- Adverbs - *When? Where? How? How often?*
- Conjunctions - *and, but, if, so* etc.

Maths

- Division (sharing between)
- Fact families; \times and \div
- Volume
- Capacity
- Adding money
- Mapping & location (coordinates)

Writing & Spelling

- Handwriting (*Ff, Ss*)
- Information reports
- Connectives and punctuation
- Spelling (diphthongs: *ou* and *ow*, vowel team: *oo*, revision of magic *e*)

Integrated & ICT

- Exploring our continent- Australia! States/territories, animals, indigenous studies
- Cut, copy and paste on Microsoft Word and PowerPoint
- Exploring Microsoft Excel
- Introduction to coding

A note to you

Multicultural Day:

This year the Preps and Year 1's are hosting Multicultural Day on the same day. As you may remember from last year, this is a special day to tie in with our Term 3 integrated studies topic. Students can come dressed as any country of their choice (think flag colours, cultural dress, "stereotypical" clothing). Each student is kindly asked to bring a platter of food that represents their chosen country, to share with their class. Please refer to the list on our classroom door. We would love to try and have a spread of different foods so nothing is wasted. This is a great opportunity to involve your child in cooking! A brief parade and Bollywood performance will take place in the hall from 9.15am.

Video Games:

In recent weeks, we have touched on the topic of violent video games in our year level assemblies. It came to our attention that some content in games such as Fortnite and FNAF may not be appropriate for Year 1 students. Whilst it is entirely your choice what your child plays at home, please be mindful of recommended age ratings and reiterate the importance of cyber safety when playing games/communicating online.

Carpark:

A reminder that children are not allowed to walk across the oval and through the carpark unaccompanied by an adult. Please pick your child up from the Year 1 area or your meeting place at 3.30pm and walk with them to your car. Student safety is paramount.

Green Goals:

To help take care of our environment, we are going to start setting fortnightly goals in our classrooms, with the aim that they will become long-term habits. Our goals for the rest of September are:

- Turn the lights off every time we leave the classroom.
- Pick up litter in the school yard and wider environment.

Maybe you could incorporate our Green Goals at your home too? Next term we'll be recognising our most outstanding 'Green Heroes' at Year 1 assemblies.

Mathletics:

Is your child reaching 1000+ points on Mathletics each week? Let's try and get our class to the top of the Year 1 leader board!!!

One last thing! Any book donations for Culiat Elementary School in the Philippines can be dropped off at Miss Kohinga's classroom until the end of term. Miss Kohinga says a very big THANK YOU for all of the amazing donations so far!

We hope you all have a wonderful week,

The Year 1 Team