

GRADE 1 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER TERM 2 2019



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17/5/19	Grade 1 Excursion to Werribee Zoo (Payment due by 15/5/19)
10/6/19	Queen's Birthday public holiday
28/6/19	End of Term 2
REMINDERS	
Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform	

Curriculum Overview

English

During Reading the Grade One's will begin this term learning about Retelling and Summarising. The students will be learning about retelling the important parts of texts in order. They will be able to identify the important parts of a text and also summarising a text in their own words.

The students will then be learning about Making Connections. When making connections the students will be able to connect the texts they are reading with other texts they have read and also with experiences they have had.

The Grade One's will conclude their term by learning about Visualising. During Visualising students will be learning how to use the text to create an image in their mind of what is happening in the text.

In Writing this term during writing the grade one's will be learning about poetry. The students will learn about what poetry is and explore different types of poems such as adjective poems and rhyming poems. They will practise using adjectives in their writing by using their 5 senses to assist them.

Later in the term students will learn about information reports. Students will practise constructing a text that includes facts about a specific topic such as an animal. They will also explore the the different types of features of an information report such as, diagrams, labels and pictures. The students will be able to use their experience at the Werribee Zoo to assist them in constructing an information report about animals.

Mathematics

This term Grade Ones will be beginning with a measurement unit on Length. They will be participating in various hands on activities and using associated vocabulary to compare, order and measure the length of objects informally.

Students will then be focusing on problems for Addition and Subtraction using materials and recording. They will work on strategies such as:

- counting on or back (7+3) 7... 8,9,10 or (10-7) 10...9,8,7
- tens facts 9+1, 8+2, 7+3, 6+4, 5+5
- doubles facts 1+1=2, 2+2=4, 3+3=6, 4+4=8, 5+5=10 ...
- commutativity (turn around facts) 3+7 is the same as 7+3
- part part whole

Inquiry Unit

During term 2 the Grade Ones will be working on the topic 'Lean on Me'.

Throughout the unit they will be learning how the positive relationships they build enrich their lives and how these relationships foster a positive community. Students will discuss and identify the positive relationships they have and how they develop and keep these relationships. The Grade One students will also explore ways in which they can resolve conflicts, they are faced with, in positive and respectful ways. Students will have the opportunity to work collaboratively, with peers, to negotiate, share roles and participate in various group activities.



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Art

Welcome to Grade 1 Art, Term 2! Our unit this term will focus on identifying and drawing lines. Grade 1 students will be exploring many types of lines and notice how the relationships between them can create different shapes and images. They will connect to their prior learning of lines and understand how they are used in artworks. Grade 1 students will learn the formation of lines to create specific shapes, for example; spirals. They will also recognise how lines are not necessarily joined and can be broken. Students will also express their creativity by thinking about the type of lines they need to use to achieve the desired outcome for their artworks. Grade 1 students will be inspired by exploring Vincent Van Gogh whose artworks were successfully created by the many uses of lines. Students will continue to work with different mediums and have many opportunities to include their knowledge of colours to create individualised artworks.

LOTE

This term in LOTE, Grade 1/2 students will be focusing on family member names, date, time, some food and drink names. Students in Grade 1/2 will be exploring the Chinese culture activity, for example, paper cutting, and making Chinese paper craft dragon. They will learn the measure words and make a Chinese shopping list. Students will also be learning to write Chinese numbers 1-100 and some greeting words. They will begin to learn how to write the Chinese character. They will create sentences and understand that Chinese sentences have a particular word order.

During this term, students will be continuing to develop the following skills: Critical thinking, analysing, collaboration skill, communicating their ideas, speaking and writing skills.

Physical Education

Welcome back! This term we have a lot planned for our grade ones! They will be reviewing all the locomotor skills and then learning new fundamental movements that will help them grow. Before we can begin, we need to learn how to communicate. Students will look at the different ways, from asking to play to letting a friend they are hurt by their words. Our grade one cohort will also work on team work and great sportsmanship. After, we will look at catching and overarm throwing with different objects, connecting them to different sports. Finally this term, we will get our students ready for Athletics!

Let's hop, skip, jump right into it!

Science

Our focus in Science for term 2 is the Physical Science strand where we will be learning that light and sound are produced by a range of sources.

Students will learn about natural and artificial light sources, and will carry out experiments which show that objects need to be illuminated in order to be seen. Students will investigate sounds by making predictions on sounds that can be heard inside and outside of the classroom and will explore different ways to produce sound using familiar objects and actions.