

1/ 2 J Newsletter Term 3

Welcome to Term 3. It is great to see everyone back after the holidays and all safe, well and enthusiastic. We have a lot happening at school so please keep your eyes out for information or flyers coming out with details about special activities that are scheduled during these unusual times. Things coming up include Education Week and a Gymnastics/Spaghetti Circus program. At this stage restrictions still not not permit parents and careers into the school for big events so our traditional activities will vary slightly this year. 1/2 J are participating in our Gymnastic classes on Fridays Weeks 3-7.

Keeping up to date with school 'goings on' is really important - please regularly check the School and Class Dojo as lots of information comes out via this app. It is also worth joining the School Face Book page - lots of great photos get posted on this platform. Feel free to message me via Dojo with questions - but please anything urgent must go through the office. I generally do not check the App until the afternoon as it's too busy during the day.

We have a few timetable changes this Term. Ms Laurie will be teaching Science, PDHPE and HSIE on Wednesdays after 12 and Thursday Mornings for this Term. Library and Music will continue on Monday afternoons. The children participating in the Instrumental group will continue to have sessions Thursday. Children have made a commitment to this program so if your child now wants to discontinue participating you will need to contact me (I've been telling kids no pulling out unless Mum, Dad or a carer contacts me: Dojo message is fine). Scripture resumed this week and is scheduled each Thursday as well.

Public Speaking will happen this later this term Although this year their will not be a Far North Coast Public Speaking Competition we will still hold out annual School finals. When the time comes please try to encourage your child to choose a topic that is interesting and engaging. As a rule, have your child try to make a personal connection with the content. This usually steers them toward a speech that will entertain their audience. We will work on this throughout the term.

Clubs will start in a couple of weeks on Thursday afternoons. Focus areas are: Aboriginal culture, music, computer studies, cooking & art.

Homework and home reading will follow the same format as Term 2. Your child should be recording home readers in the folder outside the classroom or reading from the PM E reader collection. I have update levels in this folder, and on the PM E collection, in light of reading progress. I have a short article you may be interested in reading about why your child should read familiar books more than once. Here is the link if you would like to read it online-
<http://storiesandchildren.com/7-benefits-repeated-reading/>

Resources

To contribute to our classroom supplies this term if you are able to supply 1/2 J with some tissues and glue sticks it would be greatly appreciated. We are also a bit low on textas that the kids use for Mail (a class favourite) so a packet of textas would also be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to working with you and your child again this term.
Regards, Mrs Joulia