

1/2P class newsletter- Term 1, 2021



Jingi Wala

Welcome to 2021.

I hope that you had a great Christmas and New Year and are well rested and ready for the busy year ahead. **1/2P** is a composite class & is situated in the wooden building near the hall.

We have lots of amazing learning experiences to look forward to this year.

Library with Ms Punch is on Wednesdays.

Music with Mrs Laurie is also on Wednesdays.

Scripture is on Thursday. The two scripture groups are Catholic and Combined and are for 30 minutes. This will start in week 4.

Homework will be sent home with your child on Monday and is expected to be completed and returned on Friday. This can be placed in the homework tray inside the classroom.

Please encourage your child to participate in our home reader program. Reading enables the reader to have wonderful adventures and allows them to gain knowledge about the wider world in which we live. **Home-readers** can be changed daily. These are located in the classroom near the door with the homework and home-reader trays.

Please supply your child daily with some fruit or carrot, celery or vegetable (if they prefer) for **fruit break**. Not only does this promote healthy eating but also provides good brain food. We have a fruit basket in our class for times when your child doesn't have fruit. We would appreciate any extra when possible.

We try to be an eco-classroom as much as possible and encourage students to put their popper cartons and plastic water bottles in our class recycling bin for the return & earn program. The earned cash will supply our class with ice-blocks through summer and hot chocolate (or similar) through winter.

It is important to label your child's bag/lunch box/drink bottle, hats and clothing. This will enable easy identification. There is a lost property tray inside our classroom. Please check this regularly if your child is missing something.

Please ensure your child also has a labelled school hat for outside play.

Miss Houlihan will share her expertise with our class alternate Fridays.

I will be taking leave in weeks 6 & 7. Miss Houlihan will teach our class.

Look out for:

The school swimming carnival is being held next Friday. All students who are turning 8 & over and who can swim 25 metres competently will be attending. Notes will be sent home with your child. Things will crop up throughout the term so continue to check the school newsletters/school stream/DOJO to keep updated.

Birthdays are special times for children, if you bring in goodies for sharing, we are a class of 24!

Classroom supplies needed:

1. A labelled folder for homework
2. A labelled home-reader folder
3. Glue sticks
4. Erasers
5. A Library bag
6. whiteboard markers

It would also be appreciated if every family help supplement the classroom with a box of tissues & bottle of hand wash.

Thank you to the families who have already sent supplies in.

If your child has a pair of earbuds/earphones & would like to wear them for ipad/laptop use, they may bring them in.

DOJO will be used as class communication & to share photos of your child's day. This will only be checked before & after class. I do NOT check messages after hours. Please call the school and leave a message if it is important.

Bundjalung language: we will be using some language words in class. Ask your child about it and help them practise. We will also be working and learning about our bush tucker garden.

I look forward to having teaching/learning adventures with your child this year.

A Parent/Teacher information session will be held in the coming weeks. Notes will go home closer to the date.

If you have any issues or need to speak to me, I am available most afternoons.

Cheers
Shanene Phillips

