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2022  
Term 2

# Newsletter

## WELCOME BACK TO TERM TWO!

This term we are learning all about our country, Australia, and what makes it unique. Students will learn about the states, territories, animals and plants that call Australia home. We will be learning all about our Indigenous history, including some local dreamtime stories.



### BOAT ENGINEERING STEAM CHALLENGE

Thank you to those families who have sent some spare packaging in to be repurposed into some amazing boat designs for our Term 2 STEAM Challenge!

Students learned all about forces, including gravity, and how they impact the world around us. They also had a whale of a time collaborating and adapting their designs with their friends.

### Term 2 Important Dates

- 23<sup>rd</sup> May Education Week
- 25<sup>th</sup> May Open Night 5:30-6:30pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> May Open Morning 9-10am
- 26<sup>th</sup> May STOMP starts (5 weeks)
- 13<sup>th</sup> June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- 14<sup>th</sup> June Pupil Free Day
- 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June Parent Teacher Interviews
- 24<sup>th</sup> June Last Day Term 2, 2:30pm early dismissal

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## Home Reading Program

Well done to all of the students who are continuously reading at home with an adult! Your efforts are appreciated and it is **really** having a BIG impact on your reading skills! In class, we are encouraging all students to read fluently – here are some tips to help with this at home:

- Practise re-reading a sentence until it sounds like it flows.
- Read the way you would speak to someone, not like a robot.
- Make sure they are reading at a good steady pace, not too fast, not too slow.
- Remember to stop and take a breath at full stops.

DON'T FORGET TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS READING TO CHECK THEIR UNDERSTANDING!

## English – Café Reading, VOICES Writing and INQUIRY

In Café Reading this term we are focusing on texts that are set in Australia, or written by Australian authors. We will be learning all about the geography and history of our amazing country by exploring these amazing stories. We are also lucky enough to have a visiting Indigenous local person visiting to teach us about our history and dreamtime stories from our area.

In writing, students are focusing on accuracy of letter shapes, writing correctly on dotted thirds and using strategies to sound out tricky spelling words.



## Maths – Addition. Subtraction & money!

This term we are focusing on **addition, subtraction and money**. We play a lot of maths games with decks of cards, this creates great opportunities for you to play these with your children at home!

Take the opportunity to allow your children to use money, play with money and help pay for goods at shops.

## COMING UP IN TERM THREE:



Can't wait to see you for our excursion next term!