

# Term 2 News

#### Welcome to Term 2!



We hope everyone enjoyed their Easter and rested up ready for a busy term ahead!

It has been great to see how well the students have settled back into school, jumping straight back into routines.

We have a very exciting term planned which includes STOMP, AFL footy clinics, St John's First Aid visit, parent open day/night, cooking and will finish the term with an excursion to Healesville Sanctuary!

Keep an eye out for details in the coming weeks.

### **Upcoming Dates**

- Thurs 9/5 Mother's Day stall
- Tue 14/5 Parent open evening
- Thurs 16/5 Parent open morning
- Wed 22/5 St. John's First Aid
- Mon 10/6 King's birthday Public Holiday
- Tue 11/6 Student free day Staff Curriculum Day
- Tue 18/6 Healesville Sanctuary Excursion
- Tue 25/6 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Fri 28/6 Last day of term

# **Literacy**

Take home readers and weekly spelling words have begun. A reminder that students will take books home to read Monday to Friday and only swap book when complete. Please sign child's reading journal so they can put a sticker on our reading stars chart.

This term we will continue to focus on the 6+1 writing traits when writing a narrative, a persuasive piece and an information report.

Well Done to all the students that have been using Nessy at home to improve their reading and spelling skills, keep it up!

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### Numeracy

We continue to use a hands on approach to mathematics through the Top10 program. During the term we will explore addition, subtraction, money and time.

Students may move to a different classroom for maths this term as we begin ability-based maths groups. Year 2 students will now have more opportunities to be supported or extended in their learning of different math concepts. So far, we can see how beneficial this is for the students.

## Inquiry

In inquiry this term Year 2 will begin with a focus on geography. Students will explore Australia's location in the world as well as famous Australian places and their local community.

Next will be a science unit, 'Living things change'. This will teach students characteristics of living things, as well as different life cycles. During this unit we will visit

Healesville sanctuary to participate in a day that explores animals' features, habitats, lifecycles, and what they need to survive.

