

# YEAR 1 BULLETIN

*TERM 3 - Week 7*

**Quick note: Pauline will be on long service leave from Thursday 31st August to the end of term 3 but will be back, fresh (and tanned) in term 4. 1P welcomes Jennifer Hemingway and Rachel Jackson to the class during this time.**

**We have been learning about...**

## **WRITING**

As we continue to create interesting and creative pieces of writing our focus has been on the development of characters, setting, problems and solutions to better understand the purpose of our texts and their message. Our focus continues this week on expanding our language using adjectives to create deeper and richer descriptions when writing.

## **MATHS**

This week we have continued to look at Patterns, our recognition of what makes patterns and their characteristics. In addition to this we have also continued to delve into activities that allow for a multitude of strategies and thinking processes. This has brought a lot of interesting conversations and an insight into how our children see the world around them as mathematicians. New activities as well as consolidating prior knowledge have led to our children being more aware of the mathematical world around them and how it links with our other subjects (ie: patterns in rhyme, open ended questions when discussing our unit of inquiry etc)

## **INVESTIGATIONS**

Investigations resumed this week with a focused approach to each area of Investigations. We have continued our questioning of each area and how they can be used to better understand the world around us. As members of the Armadale community, our children are involved with real life experiences and are able to question, interact and problem solve with guidance, prompts and their own curiosity within these areas.

## **What you can do at home:**

Please continue to work through the My Word Book with your child. Asking them to write the words and spell the words will consolidate their instant recall of their spelling.

Please remember to read with your child every night, at least 20 minutes. It is important at this stage of the year that they continue to work on not just their phonemic understanding of words but their complete comprehension of what they are reading, the meaning and the

message in the text.

### **Our goals for next week:**

The Armadale Primary School Values

As members of Armadale Primary School and the wider community we encourage our children to value many aspects of the classroom, school and surrounding environments. We have highlighted in previous bulletins how we have focused on Persistence and how this has come about from our children and what we have observed. With the school values we endeavour to encourage our children to value:

- Learning
- Kindness
- Respectful behaviours
- Honesty
- Excellence

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

#### **Friday 1 September**

Fathers Day Gift Preparations

Remember \$10 for the Father's Day gift stall

#### **Tuesday 5 September**

9:00 - 9:30 Assembly Performance

#### **Monday 11 September**

**CONSENT (via Compass) AND PAYMENT (via QKR) TO BE COMPLETED BY 7 SEPTEMBER**

8:45 - 3:30 Year 1 Zoo Excursion

Please remember:

- Small backpack that your child can manage for the day (school bags are too big)
- Packed lunch in a light lunch box (not too heavy as your child will be carrying it around)
- Weather appropriate gear

**Have a great week!**

**The Year 1 Team**