

YEAR 1 BULLETIN

Dates to Remember

- Thursday 7th , Friday 8th December- Swimming
- Friday 8th December - Beebots Incursion (please pay via Compass)
- Monday 11th - 15th December - Swimming continues
- Monday 18th December - Curriculum Day
- Friday 22nd December - Term 4 ends

This week we have been learning about...

Writing

This week we continued to focus on endeavouring to complete a whole piece of writing, and turning it into a book. This involves students to write a story, edit their work, illustrate their book and type it up on the computer. The process is a lengthy and complex task, in which students are persisting through. This will then be bound into a book for them to keep as their own to share with others. There is so much creative writing happening, they are fabulous.

Maths

This week we are continuing to go back and think about ways of ordering numbers and measurement by asking the question “what is a number line? How does it work and how does it help us?” We have now extended this and began to use our number line for different strategies in counting including “if I have 68, how many to 100”. Students are then asked to show their answer and provide reasoning on why they chose that answer. We also are looking at mapping and what features there are on a map. This will aid us for when we think about what our school surrounds look like.

Investigations

We would like to thank all of the parents who have come in (some more than once) to assist in enriching the program for our students and aiding with the smooth running of new areas. This has been very valuable to us and we really appreciate it. Furthermore, thank you to those parents who have completed the WOW outside of Pauline’s class. This has provided us with some very valuable insights into the program and ways in which we can look to improve for 2018.

Swimming

A big thank you to all of the parent helpers that have walked to swimming and helped the smooth changing process. So far, we have had a successful experience and look forward to this continuing.

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Library Bags

We are still experiencing a high number of students not bringing their library bags, therefore not returning or borrowing books. Please remind the students to bring their library bags on Friday's. The other downside to not bringing library bags is the children's take home books do not get changed. As mentioned in this bulletin, reading with your child at home is vital. To ensure that this is continued, students do need to change their take home books to experience a range of different texts and help develop them as readers.

Some Housekeeping....

Parent WOW

In a hope to find out more and reflect upon our learning, we ask that parents complete the WOW located outside Pauline's room. WOW's are a way for capturing evidence. It allows for feedback that we can use to reflect upon and use as we continue to better our practice.

Wins—any positives you have observed

Obstacles—that you may have encountered

Wonderings—that you may have about the program going forward

Swimming Reminder - Begins Friday 1st December

1K-1Z (9.30-10.10) 9 am departure

1P-1C (10.10-10.50) 9.40 departure

Please ensure that all children arrive to school **on time**, and with their bathers on ready to go.

Beebots Robotics Incursion - Friday 8th December

Thank you to everyone who has paid. This incursion allows the students the opportunity to learn about coding and the way robotics works. The times are as follows.

9.30-11am 1C and 1K

11.30-1pm 1Z and 1K

1-1.30, 2.30-3.30 1P