

Year 1 Bulletin

Term 2 Week 1

Welcome back

Welcome back to Term 2. We hope you all had a lovely holiday and are ready for another exciting term at school.

Arriving Late

We would like to continue to remind you of the importance of signing your children in at the office if you arrive after 9am. It is important for safety reasons that they are signed in and that you bring your child to your classroom teacher. This is particularly important when your child's class isn't in their classroom, if you are not with your child they are alone and potentially unsafe.

Timetable Changes

Library - Friday

Take Home Books - Friday

1G PE - Thursday

What we have been doing this week:

In Literacy:

Writing this week we have continued to focus on punctuation and how to correctly use full stops, capital letters, commas, exclamation marks and question marks.

Reading

When reading this week we have continued to look at information texts and the use of digital modes of text as part of our reading rotations. We continue to encourage all the students to read a variety of texts to strengthen their recognition of titles, use of pictures, text and other clues when decoding, and comprehending when reading.

In Maths:

Our focus this week is recognising numbers to 120. Students will be introduced to a number chart, they will identify patterns, commonalities when recognising the numbers and how they are organised on the chart.

In Investigations:

Investigations will be up and running this Wednesday 18th April. Classroom teachers will send home a roster this Friday 20th April, that will tell you what day your child will be the focus child. As a focus child they will choose an area of interest and work closely with their teacher to investigate a wondering. This allows us to gauge more about your child's ability to problem solve, take risks and develop skills when exploring their interests. Children are not required to bring anything in from home for this, but if there is something they do want to bring in they can do so.

Parent Help for Investigations

If you are available to help during 9am and 11am on the days we run investigations please write your name in the timetable that has been put up outside Allira's classroom. We will require 3 parents only and you will be allocated to a particular area eg Allira's Classroom, Jenny's Classroom or the Outside Area. These areas are on the timetable, so write your name under the heading you wish to work.

Our Enduring Understanding - How we learn with a community, within a community and as a community of learners.

This term we continue to look at how 'Understanding ourselves and others helps us to become better learners.' We will be focusing on the brain, how our brains function, what allows our brains to retain information and how we can create new thoughts and wonderings through higher order questioning. Children will be encouraged to identify what helps them to learn and realise that problems and challenges are a normal part of learning. Through this unit we want children to know and understand that learning can happen in different ways and feelings and emotions can affect our learning. We also want children to know that when you try new things it allows for more opportunities and deeper learning. We are continuing to use texts that demonstrate how we recognise learning opportunities, with a focus on the brain, the sensors, our emotions and how these impact on our learning.

Take Home Books

Students will now be swapping their take home books on Fridays, starting this week.

Headphones

Many students are yet to bring in headphones. Can all students please bring in a set of named headphones to use in class.

We hope you all have a great week back!

The Year 1 Team

