

Year 1 Bulletin

Term 1 Week 9

Footy Colours and Crazy Hair Day

Thank you to everyone for participating in our Footy Colours and Crazy Hair Day. It was fantastic to see everyone getting involved and coming to school in their footy colours, not to mention some wild hair styles!

Arriving Late

A very big thank you to all parents for making the effort to sign their children in at the office and then bring them to their classroom teacher, if they have arrived to school after 9am.

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. The use of multiple modes enables children to use many differing types of strategies to read and comprehend as they read. 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 has continued from our wondering about how we can better count and group large numbers or collections of items. We have asked children to bring in their collections and used the Sports for Schools vouchers to aid in our development and consolidation of strategies when counting large numbers or groups.

In Investigations:

We continued to invite and encourage children to bring in something from home to use as a prompt for a "wondering" during investigations. Students can keep an eye out for things over the holidays that they may be interested in investigating further next term.

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

'Understanding ourselves and others helps us to become better learners.'

We are continuing to use texts that demonstrate how we recognise learning opportunities. The children are also being encouraged to understand which strategies they can use to best support their learning. This links in with their growing understanding of how the children impact their environment and how they fit into their school, home and wider communities. We have spend time focussing on how we learn with the community, within a community and how to be participants of a learning community. This will continue next term when we start to look at 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.

Take Home Books / Library books

Students will not be bringing home new take home books or library books this Thursday. Over the holidays please take the opportunity to visit your local library with your child.

Headphones

Many students are yet to bring in headphones. Can all students please bring in a set of named headphones to use in class. These will be utilised further next term.

Special Announcement

Lucy Gorman, who teaches 1G has some exciting news to share with the year 1 students and parents. Lucy will be taking maternity leave in Term 3 and 4 this year. Although it's going to be difficult to say goodbye to 1G halfway through the year, she is over the moon to be welcoming a baby girl into the world this July.

**Term 1 is done! Have a fabulous holiday, relax and enjoy each others company!
Happy Easter!**

The Year 1 Team.

