

# Year One Blue and Gold

## Term Two Newsletter

# WELCOME BACK!!

Welcome back everyone! It is fantastic to see the Year One's back from holidays and ready to go!

The following information outlines some of our learning and other important information for this term.



### LITERACY

The students will continue to be introduced to new sight words and spelling sounds each week, work cooperatively during literacy rotations, write on smaller lines, use less capital letters (unless they are at the start of a sentence or name), remember to leave correct spaces between words as well as form letters the correct way!

Our writing will focus on procedures and recounts.

### SPELLING

The students will continue to bring home a new spelling sound each week to revise as part of their nightly purposeful practice. The students are encouraged to add more words to their spelling list and to practice spelling these words in fun ways - writing in glitter pens, using magnetic letters, letters from magazines etc. We suggest keeping your child's spelling lists (in a display folder for example) so you and your child can easily refer to previous sounds.

### MATHEMATICS

Our Mathematics program introduces the students to new concepts as well as continuously revisiting previous learning through games and group activities. We will investigate addition, 2D and 3D shapes, the language of chance as well as practising skip counting in 10's and 5's.

### GUIDED INQUIRY

#### "Tip Toe Through our World" (Sustainability)

##### *Rationale*

We all need to take responsibility to look after our environment so that it is preserved for future generations.

##### *Future Action*

The students will appreciate the importance of looking after the environment. They will be discerning as they dispose of rubbish; understanding the distinction between materials that can be recycled, reused and reduced. The students will also consider the ethics of sustainability as they share our environment.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Loving Others

This unit introduces the students to the many ways they use their bodies. We will wonder at what our bodies can do, and wonder about God, who created the human body.

### We Make Choices

This unit explores the choices we make as people and also explores ways in which Jesus made choices.

### Friends Together

Our last unit for the term focuses on the experiences people have with friends including loving friends and making new friends. This leads the students to wonder about God and encourages us to think about showing love and kindness to our friends.

## READING ROSTER

Our reading roster for this term is up and running as of week 2. If you can spare a few minutes one morning to listen to the children read...please sign up! Many thanks to those parents who signed up last term! **Please assist your child to ensure they bring their blue note folder to school each day with both their reading book and sight words book inside.**

## Independence in Year One

We are encouraging the Year One students to use the drive through system before and after school. They are very comfortable now with our daily routines and are very capable of getting themselves ready for the day - walking to the classroom on their own, carrying and unpacking their school bag etc. This will not only encourage independence but also free up carpark bays for our Kindy and Pre-Primary parents/carers who must drop-off and pick-up their child from the classroom door.

## LIBRARY



Our library day continues to be on Friday for both Year One classes. If your child does not return their book, they will not be able to borrow a new book so encouraging good organisation skills with your child is important.

Each child also requires their library bag in order to borrow.

## UNIFORMS

Please ensure that your child continues to bring their hat each day with their name clearly written on all items including their school jacket. Our goal is to have no lost/missing jackets during the cooler weather!

Friendly reminders...

- Simple, neat and tidy hair.
- Hair that needs to be tied up with school coloured hair ties or ribbon.
  - Nail polish to be removed before Monday morning.
  - Correct white socks covering ankle - no low ankle socks.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## PURPOSEFUL PRACTICE GRIDS

Weeks 2-3

Weeks 4-5

Weeks 7-8

Week 9

## IMPORTANT DATES

MAY	JUNE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Community Mass 8am Wednesday 3 May</li><li>● 12th May - Year 2 Assembly followed by Mother's Day Morning Tea</li><li>● 19th May - Mazenod House Day</li><li>● 26th May - Year 1 Assembly</li><li>● 31st May - Three Way Interview Day</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 5th June - WA Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY</li><li>● 6th June - PUPIL FREE DAY</li><li>● 16th June - Feast of St Emilie De Vialar Mass</li><li>● 30th June - Last Day for Students</li></ul>

It's shaping up to be a busy term!!

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