



# Term 3 2017 Year P/1/2 Newsletter

## Special points of interest:

- Science is on Thursdays with Mr Lamprecht
- Music is every second Thursday with Mrs Wyss. LOTE is on every Friday with Swan Sensei
- Spelling commences Week 1
- Library is on Tuesday
- Tots begins Friday of Week 2
- Mrs Deakin is taking leave for one week commencing 7th August. Mrs Theed will be ably stepping in
- Jump Rope for heart jump off is Friday 4th of August— 2pm
- Life Education van visit 4th September
- Bookweek celebrations will be held in week 7. The theme is escape to everywhere.

## School Vision: Strive to Excel

School Mission: To prepare young people to lead successful and productive lives

## Welcome Back!

This term all of our students will have the opportunity to be involved in Jump Rope for Heart, Life Education, and book week celebrations.

**Technology:** Our class will be involved in an exciting digital technology program where we will engage with the Ozobots for an introduction to coding with Mrs Graham, Poplets on the iPad to display data with me and basic word processing skills to present information with Cathy.



**Science:** Students are working on a unit of work entitled "What's it Made of?" They will be exploring different materials and their properties.

**Maths:** We will be exploring place value and operations again this term with a larger focus on multiplication and sharing for year 2. We will also conduct a small investigation

concerning tessellations and be completing regular quick facts quizzes.

**English:** This term we will be exploring persuasive texts. At home it is probably enacted as pester power. We will attempt to advance their skills in this area as we learn about fact and opinion, point of view and how to use strong words to persuade and create emotion. We will be creating our own book reviews to persuade others to read our favourite CBCA book of the year. We will be having our own book tasting— a little like the library version of speed dating I suppose.

**Reading:** We begin the term with Summarising where we are learning to find the main idea and supporting details in texts. We will also be contin-

uing with the 3 cueing systems for decoding.

**Health:** This term we will be looking at the area of self-regulation through a program called the Alert Program. It provides strategies for students to monitor themselves to ensure better focus. This will be coupled with a Bounce Back unit which focusses on being successful.

**History:** This term we will be focusing on reading, organising and recording timelines.

**Arts:** This term we are delving into the amazing world of dance. We are learning 5 different dances and keeping up our fitness, improving our coordination and working on our social skills at the same time.

**Homework:** Afternoon and night time can be tricky with tired children. Make reading the priority if you need to choose. Creating a routine for homework can help ease the stress.

