



Welcome back to Term 3 2016



Year 1 Inquiry Celebrations!

Term 3 is a busy and exciting time at Parkhill with our swimming program commencing in weeks 1-4 and the development of our school concert 'Hey Fid'. Students will be learning their songs and dances in Performing Arts and creating their costumes in Art.

Our exciting 'Tuning in' activities have been taking place in our Inquiry Lessons. Students have asked lots of questions about their topics and we look forward to discovering lots of new information as our Inquiry progresses.

We wish a warm welcome to Miss Stephanie Walker, replacing Jackie Knight who has taken maternity leave.

Upcoming Events

Fri 5th August

Swimming Carnival

Wed 9th & Thurs 10th August

3 Way Conferences

Fri 12th August

Year 2 Incursion

Wed 14th & Thurs 15th Sept

Concert

Friday 16th September

End of Term 3 @ 2:30 p.m

Term 3 Curriculum – What are we Learning?

Inquiry Learning –

This term Year 1 students will be learning about celebrations and cultures and 2 students will be learning about puppets and design. Take a look at the display boards in class to see our statements of understanding and key concepts.

English:

Reading:

In Term 3 our 'Café Menu' reading focuses are Comprehension and Vocabulary. Check out the 'Café' board in your class to see what strategies we have been working on. This week for example we are working on Questioning, Asking questions before, during and after reading.

Readers are continuing to come home every night. Please continue to encourage and assist your child to read and record the books they read in their reading diaries.

Writing:

This term students will be learning to write letters and narratives. We be using the 'Seven Steps to Writing Success' to enrich our teaching of these text types. We will cover steps 'Plan for Success', 'Tightening Tensions' and 'Exciting Endings'.

Show & Tell: Students have been given topics for each week's Show and Tell. These topics tie in with our Inquiry Learning unit. Encourage them to practise at home. Students can draw pictures and bring photos, to support their presentation.

Library: Is every Thursday fortnight for Year 1 and Friday fortnight for Year 2.

Maths: This term, students will be learning about: Place value, skip counting, addition and subtraction mental strategies, multiplication and division, money, problem solving and fractions.

Specialists:

Students will once again have the opportunity to participate in a broad range of specialist subjects which include: Performing Arts, Visual Arts, P.E, Science and as of this term LOTE.

Art is held fortnightly on Tuesday for Year 1 and Year 2. Performing Arts, Science and P.E continue to be held weekly. Science for 2C is on Wednesday and on Thursdays for both Year 1 and 2S. P.E is held on Tuesdays for Year 2 and Thursdays for Year 1. Performing Arts is held on Thursday for Year 1 and Tuesday for Year 2. LOTE is held on Tuesdays for Year 1 and Mondays for Year 2.

Homework:

Students in Year 1 and 2 should practise reading aloud every night for 15 minutes to an adult. Please record the books your child reads each night in their reading diary. Year 1 and Year 2 students should practise their Magic word lists. Year 2 students should also practise spelling their weekly spelling words every night.

REMINDERS

Absences

Please notify the school if your child / children will be absent from school. All absences must be explained. You can call the office, write a note or see your child's teacher to explain any absence. You can also use Tiqbiz to notify the school if your child / children will be absent.

Hats

Students do not need to wear a hat in months without an "r" in them. This is the perfect time to get them cleaned!

Parent Helpers

We need parents to assist with groups and reading with students. If you would like to assist in your child's classroom please chat with your child's class teacher or class parent representative.

Lunch Orders- by Metro Canteens and Classroom Cuisine

Metro Canteens will continue to run our canteen service out of the café at Ashwood College each day. Canteen orders need to be placed online from home, from a computer located in the library or over the counter at Ashwood College.

Classroom Cuisine

please order online-
<https://www.classroomcuisine.com.au>
Orders are delivered to the classroom. Please note that Classroom Cuisine is NOT available on Tuesdays.