

PRIMARY 3/2 LEARNING LETTER: TERM 1

WELCOME!

Dear Parents/Carers,

After what has been a very different few months, I hope you have all been able to enjoy your summer break and make some lovely memories. It is great to be back in school and to be able to establish a new normal as the first term begins. Over the first few weeks of the new term we will be working hard to establish a positive and effective classroom ethos. This will include getting to know each other, and creating our own Class Contract, which helps pupils, staff and visitors to understand how the school values and children's rights are respected within our classroom.

Miss Clark

CLASS INFORMATION

Start of school day: Mon-Fri 8:40am End of school day: Mon-Thurs 3:00pm, Fri 12:25pm Break time: 10:15am-10:32am Lunch time: 11:50am-12:30pm

Entry door: Infant door at the front of the school building. Exit door: Infant door at the front of the school building.

Indoor snack/break time: 1:45pm-2:00pm

As our afternoon is now longer due to staggered lunch times, we plan to have an 'extra' break as the children will have an earlier lunch than usual. Please feel free to send an extra snack for your child if you wish.

Handwashing: We will be washing our hands regularly in class, particularly before and after break and lunch. Soap and sanitiser will be provided in class but if you would like your child to use their own soap and/or sanitiser please feel free to send to school in named containers.

Class Routines: There will be a soft start in the morning where children come into class with a PSW prior to the class teacher and school bell. At 8:40am the school day will start with the class teacher.

PE AND OUTDOOR LEARNING

This term we will be spending time learning outside everyday so please ensure your child has appropriate footwear and a jacket at all times (even if it is a bit sunny in the morning !)

On the days where we have P.E or outdoor learning your child can wear their school polo shirts and jumpers but should wear suitable bottoms such as shorts or tracksuit bottoms so that they are comfortable and prepared for being outside.

Outdoor Learning with Ms Brolls: Tuesday and Wednesday Outdoor P.E. with Miss Clark: Monday and Thursday

CLASS RESOURCES

Please bring a named water bottle to school each day. We will encourage the children to pace themselves with their water as they will not be able to use the water fountain anymore to refill bottles. They may wish to bring more than one bottle.

Each child now has a zippy pouch with their own set of coloured pencils, rubber, ruler, sharpener and writing pencil (This will remain in school). This means that they are not required to bring their own pencil case but they may if they wish.

Snack and packed lunch (if required).

CURRICULUM

This term we will be focussing on our children's emotional and physical health and wellbeing. We will do this through a variety of lessons within the classroom and utilising our outdoors spaces. In P3/2 our first interdisciplinary context for learning will be based on the book 'The Koala Who Could' by Rachel Bright. It focusses on Kevin the Koala who doesn't want things to change but his friends help his realise that change can be a fantastic thing! We will also explore and learn about koalas and other Australian animals.