

Term 1 Newsletter- Room 18

Dear Families,

29th January 2018

Welcome to all the children and families of Room 18!

I hope you had a relaxing and happy holiday break with your loved ones. My name is Ms Jamal and I have the privilege of teaching your child this year. This is my fourth year as an educator at Ingle Farm Primary School and I look forward to guiding and seeing your child's education flourish and develop across the year. This will be the last year of primary schooling for your child and I endeavour to equip your child with the knowledge, understandings and experiences needed to transition smoothly and confidently into high school.

School Events:

Throughout the year there will be various events such as excursions, West Lakes aquatics, school photos, graduation and Year 7 jackets. Therefore, I ask that you are aware of this in order to keep some money aside to cover such events.

Student health and wellbeing:

Please ensure your child has a hat ready for Term 1 and applies sunscreen at home on hot days. It is also very important that students stay hydrated and therefore they should have their own drink bottle at school that can be filled up with water only. Other drinks such as cordial and juice can be consumed during recess or lunch and not during lessons. Students are also encouraged to bring a fruit or vegetable to eat during brain break in the mornings.

Mobile Phones/Devices:

Students who bring their phones/devices to school will need to hand them in at the beginning of the school day to the teacher and they will be returned back at the end of the school day.

Communication:

At the beginning of this year each student will receive a diary. The diary will be checked on Monday each week by the teacher and must be overlooked by families each week and signed. It will be used for communication such as student notes, student absence and the recording of homework and due dates. I also welcome contact with you face to face before or after school. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask 😊

Thanks Ms Jamal

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Subject overviews

English: This term students will develop their knowledge, understanding and skills in listening, reading, viewing, speaking, writing and creating. The major focus will be on poetry and persuasive writing with an introduction into historical narrative writing. Students will also focus on spelling, grammar and punctuation on a daily basis.

Mathematics: This term's focus is on Number and Algebra, students will revise all four operations, prime and composite numbers, place values, powers of 10 and BODMAS.

Humanities and Social Sciences: This term students will study history with a focus on investigating the ancient past.

Health/Physical Education: The middle and upper primary students will be refining and learning fundamental movement skills and learning specialist skills specific to touch football and athletics such as high jump, running and long jump.

Performing Arts: This term students will be focusing on Music and Dance.

Science: This year Science will be taught by a specialist teacher. Students will be focusing on marine biology, with a specific focus on marine environments, food chains/webs, and human impacts. They will be comparing and contrasting different marine environments, marine animals, and the human impacts on these ecosystems. We will be investigating the differences between captive and natural marine environments and the effects on marine animals.