

ROOM 31 Newsletter - week 1, Term 2 2019

Dear families,

Welcome to back to Term 2. I hope you all had a great break from school and enjoyed some wonderful adventures together as a family. Term 2 is when things start to move and groove.. By now we know each other a little better, trust each other a little more and have developed routines, expectations and boundaries. We have set some learning goals and have become accustomed to various learning successes. I'm really looking forward to a great term.



Diary - Upcoming dates

School photos (8/5) Week 2
Reconciliation Week 9
Public Holiday (10/6) Pupil Free Day (11/6)

Choir singing outing (22/5)
NAPLAN (Year 5's)

Subject Themes / Main Focus

HASS: Navigators circle the Globe. Establishing the Colonies and settlement.

Geography: How places are used. Natural vegetation.

Author Study: May Gibb - Gumnut Babies.

Civics - Citizenship, Diversity and Identity

Health: / Well Being: Risk taking, children's rights, Finding My Way (video series).

Mathematics: Number Patterns, Problem Solving, Money and Financial Math.

NIT subjects

Science (Erin) Physical Science with a focus on Hydro-physics. Students will be conducting investigations to determine how the forces of; gravity, friction, resistance and buoyancy enable objects to function effectively in bodies of water

Physical Education (Zack)- develop their proficiency in ball control and understanding in planning and demonstrating tactical movement in game play.

The Arts (Liz) - will be working on a project involving Drama, Dance and Media Arts focus around the theme of People Together. Students will be introduced to Creative Body-based Learning which combines Drama and Dance elements with a focus on creative processes.



Communication - See Saw

Report absences - Please report the reason for all absences as soon as possible. This can be done via, phone, text reply (front office), See saw message, in person or a note in diary.

student portfolio - Students will take more control of their portfolios. learning goals and achievements. Will be celebrated via their individual portfolio. We would love it if you were able to leave a little encouraging note with each post.

classroom news - Keep an eye out for notices, Friday highlights, requests etc.

Messages - I will keep families informed through individual messages as to behaviour, **Home Learning** - contracts and tasks will be posted on See Saw.

Weekly News - most Monday's I will post a newsletter letting you know what is happening in our class for that week. The note will include students rostered as class helpers,



Important bits and pieces

Mobile phones - these need to be handed in (classroom teacher) at the beginning of the day and collected at home bell

uniform - It is a school expectation that students come to school in correct school colours. I will be alerting families via See Saw if non uniform items are worn without a note from parent. **Attendance:** School begins at 8.55am and ends at 3.05pm. Latecomers need to sign in at Front Office. Absences reported to teacher via phone, text, See Saw or note in diary. It takes up a lot of time for teachers to chase up absences. Your support in these two areas would be greatly appreciated. **Home Learning** - Students will have a contract and a homework response book in their take home folder. They will be given all the tasks (Mon - Thursday) on Monday. Books need to be handed in to teacher on Friday morning. Students can complete any task on any day, or do two in one night if they have family/sport/community commitments. Parents are to sign the homework contract. Students who do not complete set homework will be required to work quietly during Friday afternoon activities until all tasks are complete.

Excursions - I will try and book an excursion to the Maritime Museum around week 6. The cost will be approx. \$15. More information to come.