

Dear Families,

I hope you and your children have enjoyed a relaxing extended break and had some quality time spent at home staying safe. I hope you have settled in to the Ingle Farm Primary School environment and your child is ready for term 2. I am looking forward to the seeing the children again and hearing about what they have been up to all this time away. The information below is an overview of what your child will be learning this term.

**Literacy:**

This term in literacy the students will be learning how to write a description. We will be focusing on the topic of animals around the world. The students will be exploring different types of animals and developing descriptive vocabulary to help them describe what an animal looks like, sounds like and feels like. We will be investigating, reading and writing about different animals and how to describe them in both oral and written form. The students will also be continuing to learning basic phonic sounds and will be working on blending and spelling small words and forming simple sentences. A strong focus on reading will continue as well as lots of learning around hearing sounds, syllables and rhyming.

**Mathematics:**

In mathematics we will be learning about shapes and positional language. In shape students will be exploring new 2 dimensional and 3 dimensional shapes and expanding our shape vocabulary. Students will be looking at the difference between 2D and 3D shapes, how to describe them and where we see them in our everyday lives. In positional language students will be exploring how to orally describe and communicate where objects lie using directional language such as above, below, next to, behind, left and right. Again, there will be a strong focus on number where children will be finding out how to recognise and represent numerals up to 100 and beyond. Throughout the term students will develop counting and subitising skills. They will be developing their vocabulary and a basic understanding of the Australian number system.

**Values:**

At Ingle Farm Primary School our school values are **Respect, Honesty** and **Persistence**. Students will be exploring these concepts and how we use them in a school environment. They will be learning about how to be friendly, how to make friends, sharing and other ways of socialising with others.

**Science – Namerta Lakra**

**Living and Non-Living Things:**

This Term in Science students will gain some understanding of the concept of Living and Non-Living. They will understand the basic needs of humans and animals that are required for survival such as air, food, water and shelter. Through hands- on activities students will also learn about the senses [sight, hearing, taste, touch and smell] and how they help us to stay alive.

**Health – Kathryn Smith**

**Body Parts and Healthy Eating:**

This term in Health, students will be examining how their body has grown and changed from when they were younger. They will be identifying important body parts and organs and exploring what some of them are used for. Students will also explore how we can take care of our body through eating a healthy and balanced diet.

**Child Protection Curriculum:**

Teaching the Child Protecting Curriculum is a requirement in Australian schools. In this topic students will learn about the right to be safe and our trust networks.

**Physical Education – Hannah Henley**

This term students will continue to develop their fundamental movement skills in a range of physical activities. Students will create movement sequences by responding to the rhythm, beat and words in music. Students will discuss the things they enjoy most about being physically active and describe their feeling after participating in different activities. They will also explore striking and fielding techniques with a focus around improving accuracy and control. They will participate in modified striking and fielding games such as t-ball to develop their communication and cooperation skills.

**Information Technology:**

Students will be learning about how to access online learning on a computer and an iPad. They will gain skills in using computer features and a range of electronic apps and programs. There will be a strong focus on learning about how to participate in live video lessons on Webex and completing online learning activities on Seesaw. Students will explore many different features using these programs such as recording their voice and making small video clips, moving and manipulating objects, drawing and creating and more.

**Arts – Ruth Lock:**

**Drama**

Students will; discuss the elements of drama and share their knowledge of its role in their lives, recreate and explore mime, improvisation and simple roleplays using images and stories, use voice, body, puppets and props to portray feelings, expression, actions and situations, practise appropriate performance and audience skills.

**Library Day:**

Our library day is on Monday. Students are able to borrow a book to bring home to read. They need to return their library book the next week before they can borrow another one. If the book is damaged or lost it cost \$10 to replace.

**Assembly:**

At this time assemblies are cancelled due to COVID-19 guidelines. If this changes we will let you know.

Kind regards,

Charlotte Holland