



Year 2, 2020



TERM ONE GRADE NEWSLETTER.

Welcome to the 2020 school year...

Congratulations to all on a wonderful start to the 2020 school year. The children in Year 2 have settled in extremely well and we have enjoyed working with them in the classroom. It has been marvelous to see the enthusiastic and positive attitude to learning displayed by the children in Year 2.

Each day throughout the school year, we all join together in prayer, giving thanks for the gifts we bring to our faith community and to give thanks for the children, our gifts from God. We also pray that the year brings success and spiritual peace and growth. We have much to be thankful for.

The 2020 Year 2 Team...

2B - Mrs Amie Keown

2G - Mrs Maria Rainert

2R - Miss Marina Georgievska

2W - Mrs Beonika Dumont

Learning Support - Mrs Carolyn Duval

Grade Leader - Mr Paul Battikha

If you would like to meet with your child's teacher or any of the Year 2 team throughout the school year, please contact the office to arrange a meeting. We encourage open and clear lines of communication to ensure we are working together to best meet your child's needs. Catching the teachers at the classroom door during learning time can be disruptive to the learning of those within the learning space.

Homework...

Homework will be set on a needs basis this year. The children work hard learning during the school day and we value them being able to spend quality time with you and other family members at home. The priority and expectation are that children will spend time reading each night (20 minutes is an appropriate guide...). Homework is due back into school on Friday's

Meet the Teacher BBQ...

It was delightful to see so many of you visit the Year 2 spaces on Wednesday night at our gathering to meet the teachers. The children are very excited to share with you what they are learning about in their classrooms with their teachers.

Year 2 Excursion...

Year 2 will be attending Hambledon Cottage in week 7 of this Term. The date for this excursion is Thursday, 12th March. The children will travel to and from Hambledon Cottage by bus and will engage in activities that are directly linked to their History unit, The Past in the Present. More information regarding this exciting learning opportunity will be sent home with your children as we move closer to the excursion date.

Term One Learning in Year 2...

The structure of learning in Year 2 is open and collaborative. Teachers collaborate in programming and delivering lessons that are engaging and challenging targeting your child's learning needs. Children are also expected to collaborate and work together to solve problems and be critical thinkers. With this in mind, teachers determine an appropriate balance between open, collaborative learning and explicit teaching experiences for students to engage with.

In Term One the children will be participating in deepening their learning across the following Key Learning Areas:	
<u>Religious Education:</u>	The following units will be covered... Jesus Helps Me to Love. Lent: Being Alone. Easter Triduum: Never Alone
<u>English:</u>	The children will continue with their ongoing learning in reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.
<u>Mathematics:</u>	The children will participate in daily learning activities covering concepts such as, Whole Numbers, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Two Dimensional Space, Three Dimensional Space, Length, Mass and Time.
<u>Human Society & Its Environment:</u>	History unit, The Past in the Present.
<u>Science and Technology:</u>	Unit of Learning will be covered next Term.
<u>PDHPE:</u>	Health, Wellbeing and Relationships. Physical Education with Specialist PE Teacher
<u>Creative Arts:</u>	DRAMA (Specialist teacher). DANCE (Specialist teacher). Visual Arts

We thank you for your support and look forward to working with you in 2020!

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