

What a busy and exciting term it has been in Grade 1! The students have made great progress in their learning, growing in confidence with reading, writing and maths. A highlight of the term was our *Little Wood Workers* incursion, the children loved building and creating with real tools, showing off their problem-solving and teamwork skills. The grade ones loved bringing their own teddies to school when we hosted a Teddy Bears Picnic. Students spent time writing to their teddies, decorating biscuits and measuring and comparing them. We loved our special visit from the rubbish truck and the Knox City Council, thanking us for the kind letters we sent them. Students showed great spirit and determination at the House Cross Country, cheered on by friends and family. The Open Morning was a special chance to share our classroom and learning with families, and the students were so proud to show what they've been working on. We finished off our term learning about Reconciliation and NAIDOC Week, completing activities with our grade six leaders. Well done to all our Grade 1s for a successful term!

This upcoming term in Grade One is just as packed with exciting events and learning opportunities! We'll be exploring the wonders of the world during Science Week, celebrating our love of reading during Book Week and going on an excursion to the Melbourne Aquarium. Students will finish off the term by participating in the Footy Road Show Day, where they can learn more about Australian rules football and join in some sporty fun. We can't wait to start another exciting term!

Writing

In Term 3, our Grade 1 writing journey will focus on developing our skills in recount, informative, opinion and letter writing. We will use our own experiences as inspiration for recounts, reflecting on weekends, special school events and our Melbourne Aquarium excursion. Students will also learn how to write informative texts by researching and sharing facts about topics such as sea creatures and koalas.

Throughout the term, writing conference groups will continue to provide opportunities for students to share their ideas, receive feedback and learn from one another, helping them grow as confident writers. We will also continue to use "seeds" — special objects, pictures, memories and experiences — to spark ideas and support the writing process.

As we explore a variety of text types, students will learn how to organise their ideas, write for different purposes and audiences, use appropriate punctuation, and add detail to make their writing clear and engaging. Whether they are recounting a special event, sharing an opinion, writing a letter or creating an informative text, students will continue to develop their confidence and independence as writers.

Maths

Next term in Maths, students will focus on skip counting by twos, fives and tens using songs, games, number charts and hands-on materials. We will then explore division by making equal groups and using repeated addition to solve problems. Later in the term, students will strengthen their addition and subtraction skills through partitioning numbers and using a range of strategies. We will also

DATES OF INTEREST

Monday July 13

First day of Term 3

Saturday July 25

Working Bee 9:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday August 12

Aquarium Excursion

Monday August 24

Book Week Character
Dress Up Day

Thursday September 3

Whole School Author Visit

Friday September 4

Curriculum Day
No students

Friday September 18

Footy Roadshow

Term ends 2:30pm



investigate chance by discussing the likelihood of events occurring, before finishing the term with a unit on measurement where students will compare, estimate and measure length using a variety of tools and materials.

Integrated Studies

Next term, Grade 1 students will explore the world around them through an exciting Integrated Studies unit that combines Science, Sustainability and First Nations perspectives. Students will investigate weather patterns, learn how the Earth's rotation causes day and night, and develop an understanding of the solar system. We will also explore Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledge and perspectives about weather and the natural world.

Throughout the term, students will learn about ocean habitats and ways to protect our marine environments. They will investigate sustainability by exploring how reducing, reusing, recycling and composting can help conserve natural resources. Later in the term, students will learn about the needs of plants and animals, with a special focus on koalas and endangered species. This hands-on unit will encourage curiosity, observation and a sense of responsibility for caring for our environment and the living things that share it.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning,

Caitlin Eagleton, Mollie Taylor and Jen Smith



Jen Smith



Caitlin Eagleton



Mollie Taylor

TERM 3 SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

	1E	1S	1T
PHYS ED	Thursday 12:20-1:10	Monday 2:40 - 3:30	Thursday 1:10-2:00
VISUAL ART	Wednesday 2:40 – 3:30	Thursday 1:10 - 2:00	Thursday 12:20 – 1:10
PERFORMING ARTS	Tuesday 9:50 – 10:40	Tuesday 2:40 - 3:30	Tuesday 10:40 – 11:30
SCIENCE	Thursday 1:10 – 2:00	Thursday 12:20 – 1:10	Friday 1:10 – 2:00
LIBRARY/AUSLAN	Monday 9:50 - 10:40	Wednesday 10:40 - 11:30	Monday 10:40 – 11:30