



EASTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Year 2 Term 1 Overview 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 1 in Year 2. The students have been learning the school expectations in the playground and students have settled quickly into their new class routines.

We begin our 11-week term with the curriculum area of **History** studying The Past in the Present and answering the following key inquiry questions: What remains of the past are important to the local community? Why? How have changes in technology shaped our daily life?

This term in **Science**, students are introduced to and begin to practice the science skills of observing, questioning, predicting and communicating. Year 2 of the Living World strand focuses on the features of living things, their environment and how they change. Key inquiry questions are: How do living things change as they grow? How do humans use plants and animals?

In **English**, along with the continuing development of their necessary skills, they will be reading and writing informative and imaginative texts about the animals studied in Science. During **Art** lessons, the children will have opportunities to create, draw, paint or model in response to science and literature activities. The students will also be delving into characterisation looking into how characters are used to tell the story.

Mrs Forster and Ms Koumi will provide creative lessons in **Music** within the curriculum area of **Creative Arts**.

Mathematics instruction will focus on investigations with whole numbers, counting forwards and backwards from 2 digit numbers, 2D shapes, addition and subtraction using a variety of strategies, measuring the area of a space and clock time.

Mrs Morrow and Ms Koumi will provide lessons in physical education that will develop the children's fundamental skills in **Sport**.

In **Personal Development** and **Health** lessons, we will be describing ways to keep healthy and safe and explore choices relating to food, sun protection and personal safety.

Mr Andrew Wright will be assisting staff and students in innovative and creative uses for iPads in the classroom during Term 1.

The classroom teacher will focus on developing the children's independence and assist them in taking greater responsibility for their choices. Learning expectations are made clear to the children and they are encouraged to monitor their efforts and progress.

Dates to Remember

20/2: Meet the Teacher-5pm - School hall

26/3: School Photos – Full summer school uniform

9/4: Easter Hat Parade

30/3: Parent-teacher interviews: Last 2 weeks of Term 1(More information to follow)

Crunch and Sip

Crunch and Sip are implemented every day across the K-2 department. Please remember to supply your child with some **fruit or salad vegetables** and **water** to drink in the classroom. Children need to re-fuel during the morning or afternoon to assist physical and mental performance and concentration in the school.

The children also need to wear their hat each day or they will need to play under the COLA if they are not wearing a hat.

Specific appointments with teachers are arranged by filling out the green interview request form via the office. It would be appreciated if the children could be at school by 9.10 am and collected promptly at 3.10 pm.

Our Staff on Year 2 are as follows:

2S-Mrs Karen Sparrow (Assistant Principal of Stage 1)

2H-Ms Chang Hu

2R-Mrs Stephanie Runham and Mrs Penny Clark

2E-Ms Emma Rowlison

2C-Mrs Caroline Bennett

2B-Mrs Carole Bieri Jones

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Karen Sparrow

Assistant Principal Stage 1

Krystal Webb

R/Deputy Principal K-2