

Term Overview

YEAR TWO

Hello from the year 2 team!

The Year 2 student group have greatly enjoyed their start to the school year. As a school focus, every class has spent the first two weeks exploring our school values of Respect, Cooperation, Pride and Quality. The Year 2 students have found this to be a supportive way of establishing classroom expectations that will enable them to strengthen their learning and emotional growth throughout the coming year. We have an exciting term ahead of us and look forward to seeing the students thrive as Year 2 leaders on Site East.

English

Text Types

- Description leading to narrative writing
- Identifying the purpose of narrative writing and the features included such as; orientation, complication, resolution.

Oral Language

- Explicitly teaching interacting skills
- Sharing (Topic Based)

Reading

- Jolly Phonics/Spelling and Grammar
- Reading Comprehension Strategies
- Premiers Reading Challenge

We are also currently testing students on their independent reading so that we can establish accurate levels to be sent home later this term. Your child's reading level will be a reflection of both the words that they can recognise (decode) as well as how they understand (comprehend) those words within a context.

Maths

This year we will continue to develop students' skills in Mathematical Understanding, Fluency, Problem Solving and Reasoning. These proficiencies are developed through three content strands; Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability.

Mathematical Understanding

- Thinking like a mathematician
- Everyone can be a mathematician
- Mathematicians learn from mistakes and persevere

Number

- Patterning
- Base 10 counting system
- Place Value and recognising, ordering and partitioning numbers to 1000
- Calculating, counting and mental strategies to help solve real life situations

Science

We are exploring chemical science this term. This includes recognising that materials can change physically. We will experiment with how different actions such as; bending or twisting accomplish physical change without changing material compositions.

Stem/Tech

(Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)

We will be integrating STEM throughout all aspects of the curriculum this term.

Digital technologies will be integrated across all learning areas of the curriculum to enhance student learning.

Child Protection Curriculum

We will be learning to identify 'early warning signs' and understanding we all have the right to feel safe.

Health and PE/Japanese/The Arts

Specialist providers, Michael and Des (PE), Wendy and Lauren (Japanese) and Abby (The Arts) are covering these subjects. You can find out more about their programs in their specialist newsletters on the school website.

Geography

During both term 1 and 2, students will be identifying the features that define places and recognise that places can be described at different scales. They will explain why places are important to people, recognising that places have meaning.



Diary Dates

7th Feb Acquaintance Night

7th Feb AGM

17th Feb Gathering 9am (in gym)

10th Mar Pupil Free Day

13th Mar PUBLIC HOLIDAY

20th-24th Mar Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews

2nd Mar Harmony Day

27-29th Mar Y6 Camp

6th Apr Sports Day

7th April Good Friday (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

10th Apr Easter Monday (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

12th Apr School Photos

14th Apr Last day of Term 1 - Casual Day (gold coin donation) 2pm Dismissal

We are impressed with the way the children have settled into their new class groups and learning spaces. It is encouraging to see that a number of students are coming in and organising themselves independently each morning. Great job everyone!

Warm regards the 2023 Year 2 Team, Bree, Renee, Sarah, Hayley, Michaela and Bianca.