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Wartu Kuu and Kuula Kuu Newsletter

Term 2 2024



Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to the beginning of term 2. We hope that the holiday break was a safe and enjoyable time with your families.

We are very happy and excited to continue our learning with your child and working to create consistent routines and lessons.

Absences

If your child is absent and unable to come to school please contact us or the front office via phone call, note, Audiri app or Class Dojo. A white absence slip will be sent home if we don't hear from you, as we need to document this on our system.

Homework

We will continue with our homework routine each morning. Due to limitations of time, some mornings we may not be able to check books, however please make sure that your child's homework book and zipper folder are brought to school each day, as we need them for notes/library borrowing etc.

If we are confident that your child is progressing quickly, we may add some extra letters/words to work through. Additionally, please continue to practice decodable readers at home each night.

Colour Fun Run

This term, on the 17th of May, Riverdale will be holding a Colour Fun Run. This event will be launched on Tuesday.. More information to follow.

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Any notes/concerns can be communicated through email, **Class Dojo** or a phone call. We understand at times, that there may be concerns regarding your child; this is best communicated to us via **Class Dojo**. However, during school hours we aren't always able to check these. If you have something more urgent, or for early pick up please organise this through the front office.

Riverdale's main forms of whole school communication is via the Class Dojo App and our Facebook page. Please check these regularly for important school information and dates. Please note, in general, only those notes requiring a signature will be sent home in paper form. All other classroom information will be communicated via **Class Dojo**.

Important Information

Week 1: Colour Fun Run Launch Assembly (Tuesday 30th April)

Week 2: National Walk to School Safely Day

Week 3: Colour Fun Run

Week 5: Reconciliation Week

Week 6: Reconciliation by the River (Thursday 6th June 4:30pm – 6:30pm)

School Closure Day (Friday 7th June)

Week 7: Public Holiday (Monday 10th June)

Week 8: Casual Day (Friday)

Week 10: Mid-year reports sent home (Thursday 4th July)

NAIDOC Week Performance (R-4)

Term 2 Concludes 2:00pm (Friday 5th July)

Show and Tell

Show and tell is an important time for students to develop their oral language skills, build confidence to talk in front of each other and a bit of fun ✨

Toys are not permitted to be brought to school, please feel free to send pictures or short videos of items or experiences as a message on Class Dojo.

This sometimes supports confidence and alleviates anxiety to have a picture to talk about.

Mathematics

In Maths we will be exploring:

- Counting (1-10, 1-20, 1-100)
- Compare and Represent quantities
- Place Value (tens and ones, teen numbers)
- Patterns and Sorting objects
- Part-Part-Whole strategies (Maths equipment, Counting on, Number lines, Numbers bonds, Double Numbers)
- Daily Maths Chats: (Review and practise of a variety of maths concepts)

English

In Literacy we will be exploring:

- Writing – (Recount, Narrative: Fairy tales)
- Heggerty
- DfE Scope and Sequence (Letters, sounds and words)
- Decodable readers (blending and segmenting words)
- Simple sentences

HASS/CPC

- Future, Past and Present
- The Resilience Project (Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness, Emotional Literacy)
- Caring for ourselves and others (bucket filling)
- Child Protection Curriculum (Continuing Safety, Rights and Responsibilities and Relationships).
- Interoception

Science and Technology

- Chemical Science (“What’s it made of?” Objects and their features)
- Design and technology ‘Homes around the world and their purpose’ (Design process and STEM activities)
- Digital technology using the interactive board and iPads

Health & PE

Welcome to Term 2 Health and PE! This term students will be focusing on different ways of moving their body safely. This will include moving in space effectively, as well as balance, coordination and strength through basic gymnastics skills.

In health, students will be learning about making healthy and safe choices in a range of different situations. This will include healthy eating, sun safety and protective behaviours.

The Arts/Auslan

This term in the arts students will be continuing their work with visual art and starting to experiment with media art! We will be finishing up our work on the artist Georgia O’Keefe before looking at some artwork by Andy Warhol. Students will then be learning to make monsters using plasticine which will be animated by our older students.

In Auslan this term students will be focusing on family signs and continuing their work on identity. They will describe who is in their family as well as learn about different family structures. Students will look at famous families in pop culture and use this in their own learning. We will continue to explore Auslan through the use of games and fingerspelling.

Kind Regards

Miss Barlow and Ms Janese