

# P2S Newsletter

## Term 2

I hope you all had a fabulous October break and are looking forward to our second term. I am excited to build on the progress that the children have made so far, with lots of fun activities thrown in, culminating of course with Christmas! Below you will find important dates for your diary and some useful information along with an outline of some of the things we will be learning.

### Dates for your Diary

PTA Disco	-	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
In-Service Days	-	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November
P2-7 Curricular Evening	-	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November
P2 Nativity	-	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (am)
P1 & P2 Christmas Party	-	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
Church Service	-	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Christmas Holidays	-	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Term 3 Starts	-	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January

The class will visit the library every second Monday this term.

Dates are as follows: 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10<sup>th</sup> December

Please check return date stamps in books and ensure books are returned on time.

### Timetable

Monday	-	Library (every 2nd week)
Tuesday	-	P.E
Thursday	-	P.E with Miss Cameron
	-	Music with Mrs Minto

## Things to Remember

Children should:

- bring their book bag and home - school diary to school every day (please ensure that this is checked daily for notes/letters)
- bring a fresh water bottle every day (please note that juice is not allowed in the classroom)
- to encourage healthy eating, the school's Golden Carrot competition continues. Children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack Monday - Thursday and to leave Friday as a treat day!
- have their gym bag (containing shorts, t-shirt, shoes and socks if girls may be wearing tights) in school at all times. These will be sent home regularly for washing
- come to school dressed appropriately for all weather conditions - we will be learning outside in all weathers! **Please ensure that all items of clothing, shoes, pencil cases, bags and water bottles are clearly labelled.**

## Homework / Reading

Any homework will be handed out on a Thursday and should be returned the following **Tuesday**. Please sign your child's homework task and return it in the coloured homework folder provided.

Weekly reading work will be issued on the same days as last term and will be noted in the red home/school diary. The books should be brought to school each day as we will use them in class. Common words and spelling words for the sound we are learning that week will be put in the small plastic folder each Monday and should be practiced at home each day.

## Our learning

- In Maths this term we will be building our knowledge of addition and subtraction to 20 and looking at numbers to 100. There will be an emphasis on developing mental strategies as well as working with materials. We will also be learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and calendar days, months and seasons.
- In Literacy we will be continuing to focus on writing our letters correctly and basic punctuation. We will also be writing instructions, letters, invitations and reports.
- Our topic this term is 'Day & Night' where we will be looking at the rotation of the Earth around the sun and how shadows are formed.
- We will continue to develop our art skills throughout the term in relation to our topic, world religion and of course Christmas!

- For Health & Well-being, we will be doing gymnastics in P.E and learning about how to develop a Growth Mindset. Having a Growth Mindset encourages a positive attitude to learning and teaches the children to become more resilient and confident in their abilities.

As always, if you have any questions / concerns please do not hesitate to write in your child's home-school diary, contact the school office or catch me at the end of the day.

*Thank you again for your continued support.*

*Miss Lindsay Cameron*