



# Year 1 Newsletter

## Term 2



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 2. We hope you have all had a relaxing holiday and enjoyed the time you spent with your child/ren. Thank you to all the parents/guardians who attended Parent/Teacher interviews at the end of last term.

This term promises to be a very busy and exciting term for our Year One students. We have the Jacobs Well Educational Centre excursion, Junior Athletics Carnival, school photos, Junior School Disco and Under Eights Day.

### Term 2 Learning Topics

#### English

Students will share ideas and retell or adapt familiar stories, recount or report on events or experiences, and express opinions using a small number of details from learnt topics, topics of interest or texts.

Students will view and comprehend texts, monitoring meaning and making connections between the depiction of characters, settings and events, and to personal experiences.

Students will read and listen to a range of poems. They will explore the features of poems and identify rhyming words.

#### Word of the Week

Each week students will learn a new focus word to help expand their vocabulary.

Week	Word
1	dwindle
2	absurd
3	bask
4	glimmer
5	pollute
6	barb
7	charm
8	dollop
9	haze
10	gloomy

#### Mathematics

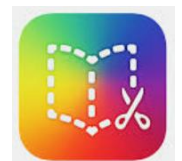
Students will demonstrate how one and two-digit numbers can be partitioned in different ways and that two-digit numbers can be partitioned into tens and ones. They will solve problems involving addition and subtraction of numbers to 20 using calculation strategies. Students will compare and order objects based on the attributes of length and capacity, communicating reasoning. They will measure the length of shapes and objects using uniform informal units.

#### HASS

Students will observe the past and how their world in the present is different. They will investigate and question different aspects of the past and make observations about how and why things have changed.

#### Media Arts

Students will learn to use the Book Creator App and create a book about a family holiday or weekend activity.



#### Health

Students will investigate how to stay healthy through safe hygiene practices and physical exercise. They will explore how to maintain whole body health practices.

## **STEM**

Students will explore how plants and animals are grown and how food is selected and prepared for healthy eating. They will design and create a healthy plate of food. Students will evaluate and suggest modifications to improve their design.

## **ICT**

Students will be learning to access Microsoft Office and create PowerPoint Presentations that include text, images, slide transitions and custom animations. They will also be learning to save and retrieve their work.

## **Physical Education**

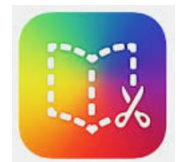
Students will apply the fundamental movement skills of two-handed throwing and catching and basketball dribbling to solve large ball challenges.

## **Parent Volunteers**

Thank you to those parents who volunteered their time to help in the classroom last term. We are looking forward to working with you again this term. We are always appreciative of parents who support the daily running of our classroom programs. If you have any time to spare and would like to volunteer, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

## **iPads**

iPads are being utilised to enhance classroom programs. As part of the children's Media Arts lessons this term, the Book Creator paid app is required. This app can be found on the company portal.



**It is also important that access to the microphone and websites (safari) are not blocked, in settings during school hours, as we need to be able to access programs such as Mathletics and Reading Eggs. The school has an excellent web content filter in use and the students are closely monitored while accessing the internet. Please ensure there are no restrictions set on school apps. It is the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian to make sure that the apps are updated when necessary and the device is fully charged ready to start each day. Please send your child's iPads even if not charged as they can be charged at school.**

## **Homework**

Homework will be in the same format as last term. The homework will be accessible through the online platform, Seesaw. If your child does not have access to a device at home, a worksheet will be provided for them. Homework will be assigned every Monday and will be marked every Friday.



Homework will consist of daily Seesaw tasks and reading of 10-15 minutes. Students should be reading their dictation passage every night. Reading activities are also available from the online Decodable Readers programme <https://draonline.com.au/> and Reading Eggs programme [www.readingeggs.com.au](http://www.readingeggs.com.au). Mathematics activities are available from [www.mathletics.com.au](http://www.mathletics.com.au). You can help your child by listening to their reading daily, hearing their dictation and helping them access the online learning activities through Seesaw.

## **Speaking and Listening Activities**

The children are required to participate in speaking and listening activities on a weekly basis. They will bring home their term list of which speaking activity they are required to do each week. With some of these activities, the children may require a little assistance.

**Voluntary Contributions:** \$50 Family Voluntary Contributions are now due. Thank you to those who have already paid. Your support of this scheme ensures that your child has access to the most up to date technology and resources to further enhance their education.

## Under 8's Day

This year, we are celebrating Under 8's Day on **Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> June**. All Prep to Year 3 students will be participating in the morning activities. Parents, guardians and family members are invited to come along. We will be asking for volunteer helpers to assist us on the day. A letter will be sent home later this term explaining more information. Younger siblings are invited to participate with an accompanying adult. Mark the day on your calendar! Hope to see you there.

## Things to Remember:

**Absent** – If your child needs to be absent from school, please notify the administration. You can do this by calling the school. Or alternatively, report the absence on QParents.

**Hat** – Please ensure that the school sun-safe hat is brought to school every day, as your child will not be allowed to participate in outside activities without it.

**Jumpers/Jackets** – The days are getting cooler, please make sure all winter clothing is clearly labelled, as many jumpers/jackets go missing during play. Please also ensure that your child is wearing the correct school jacket or navy pullover as supplied by the uniform shop.

**Reporting-** There will be a summative report card at the end of Term 2.

**Pimpama School Website-** Weekly school newsletters are emailed and are also on our website with other relevant school information. Please remember to view the newsletter on a regular basis.

## Important Dates

<b>Week 1</b>	Whole School Assembly – Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Week 2</b>	1/2F Jacobs Well Environmental Centre Excursion – Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 1A and 1B Jacobs Well Environmental Centre Excursion – Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 1C and 1D Jacobs Well Environmental Centre Excursion – Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April ANZAC Whole School Assembly 8:30am – Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April ANZAC Day Public Holiday – Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Week 3</b>	Whole School Assembly – Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
<b>Week 4</b>	Labour Day Public Holiday – Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May Whole School Assembly – Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May Mother's Day Stall – Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May Mother's Day Stall - Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Week 5</b>	Junior School Assembly – Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May Junior Athletics Carnival – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May Senior Athletics Carnival – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May Active School Travel Breakfast – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Week 6</b>	Senior School Assembly – Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
<b>Week 7</b>	Junior School Assembly – Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May School Photos – Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May School Photos - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May
<b>Week 8</b>	Senior School Assembly – Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June Junior Disco – Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June (3:00pm-4:30pm)
<b>Week 9</b>	Arts in Action Concert – Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June Junior School Assembly – Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2C Performance
<b>Week 10</b>	Whole School Assembly – Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June Report Cards emailed – Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June Under 8's Day / Last Day of Term – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June School Holidays - Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June – Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July Term 3 Begins – Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July

If you have any concerns throughout the term, please email or make an appointment. We are not always available before and after school due to extra-curricular activities, meetings and preparing for the day, so it is essential that you make a time.

Kind regards,  
Year One Teachers

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