Level Two Newsletter

2/8/2012

Level Two teachers would like to welcome everyone back for term 3. We have an exciting term ahead and are looking forward to the special events planned for our students, such as our excursion to the Edithvale Wetlands Discovery Centre, Literacy and Numeracy Week and exploring our Inquiry topic Reuse, Refuse, Reduce, Recycle!

Level Two Curriculum:

Literacy and Numeracy
In Literacy, our students are continuing to learn the MIOOW -200Words, Oxford High Frequency wordlist and weekly spelling words which focus on a specific phoneme.

Inquiry Topic
This term’s inquiry focus is Reuse, Refuse, Reduce and Recycle. We will be investigating Landfill and what impact this has on our environment. Students learnt that the rubbish Australians produce could completely fill the MCG with rubbish— in just one term! Our first week back at school ended with a science experiment. Grade 1 and 2 students participated in burying rubbish left over from their lunch and snack, including fruit scraps, lolly wrappers, various packaging and hard plastic. At the end of term we will dig up our selection of rubbish and observe what has broken down and what has not. Our focus for this topic is food; we have been investigating which food comes in its own packaging (or jacket), oranges, bananas, watermelon, pumpkin...the list goes on, and therefore it is not necessary to place these foods in individual plastic bags...discovering that there are many ways that we can reduce landfill. We ask that parents continue these conversations at home and support us by participating in our NUDE FOOD CAMPAIGN.

Dates to remember:
- Wetlands’ Discovery Centre 16th August
- Working Bee—August 18th
- Art Show—August 24th
- Literacy and Numeracy Week—27th—31st of August
- Friday 21st September last day of term

Chelsea Heights Primary School Olympics
On Friday the 10th of August students will be participating in various sporting activities. Students are invited to wear patriotic colours to show support for their country of origin.

Making Appointments and Early Opening of Classrooms
A brief reminder to all parents, if you require a meeting with your child’s teacher please arrange an appointment time. As teachers, we are extremely busy in the mornings before 9.00am and are also committed to after school meetings. All grade one and two classrooms will now be open at 8.50am each morning. This allows time for students to begin our ‘morning process’, in order to be prepared for the day and NOT a time for students to play games, computers etc.

School Uniform: Please ensure your child comes to school in full school uniform. Students who arrive at school out of uniform, will be sent to the office and a letter will be sent home to parents. This process was outlined in the updated school ‘uniform policy’ in last week’s whole school newsletter. Thanks for your support in this matter.

Have a great Term! Mrs. Lough, Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Beacham Grade Two Teachers
Miss Dore and Mrs. Reiffel Grade One Teachers
Mrs. Schmidt Grade 1/2 Teacher