Level 2 Newsletter

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Level Two Curriculum:

Literacy and Numeracy

In level two, all students have completed a one on one session with their teacher to complete the online numeracy interview, which gives us an indication of the progress your child has made in number knowledge and skills.

In Literacy we are trialing small group guided reading across grades 1 and 2 rather than grouping children within their own classroom, this way we feel the needs of the children are specifically met. Students are grouped according to their reading ability, these groups are reassessed during our Professional Learning meeting to ensure that students continue to be challenged.

Inquiry Topic

This term’s inquiry focus is “Changes over Time” whereby students have been exploring the essential questions: “What aspects of the past can you see today? What do they tell us?” and ‘How have changes in technology shaped our daily life?’ Children are asked to bring in a baby photo of themselves so that we can discuss how they have changed over time. We will also be writing invitation to grandparents and having a special grandparents morning tea. On this morning we will be talking about what technology the grandparents used compared to what the students use today!! The date will be set towards the end of term.

Dates to remember:

- Mothers Day stall Wednesday 9th May 2:30—3:30
- Melbourne Museum Incursion - Friday 8th June
- Grandparent Morning Tea TBA

Parent Helpers in the Classroom

Thank you to all the parents who have started to help out in the classroom. We would love more parent helpers. If you are able to assist, working with children check forms can be obtained at the office.

Homework in Level 2 - Reading and Spelling

In Level Two, students are expected to read at home every weekend and practise their weekly spell- ing words. Please encourage your child to read to you each day. There are many ways to make practising spelling words exciting! Ask your child to share with you some of the strategies used in class, or see if you can invent an interesting game to play to assist with motivation. New spelling lists are given out every Monday and spelling tests occur the following Monday, that means one whole week to learn their words!