

Term 2 Issue 2

Foundation & Year One Newsletter

Sight Words and Phonics

This term the Year One and Year Two students have continued to work as a group to develop their knowledge of phonics and grammar. They meet four days a week and are led by Miss O'Driscoll. Foundation students have now learnt the 42 letter sounds and are spending the last couple of weeks of this term consolidating their skills. They have the first group of sight words in the reverse side of their Letter Sound books to practise each school night. Please continue to revise the 42 letter sounds, especially the vowel teams and consonant blends as students typically take longer to recall them. Foundation students will begin taking home decodable readers next term.

Junior Primary Assembly

Thank you to all those who were able to attend or assembly last Friday. We hope you enjoyed finding out what we have been learning this term.

Reports

Your child will be bringing home their report at the end of next week. Our reports use the Achievement Standards in the Australian Curriculum which specify the knowledge, understanding and skills demonstrated by students within a given subject. A national approach



requires all States and Territories to report student achievement using a 5 point rating where a 'C' will indicate that the student has demonstrated satisfactory achievement of what is expected against each Achievement Standard. The learning standard described by each of the Achievement Standards embodies high expectations of learning achievement. To be awarded a "C" grade using these standards represents a significant achievement.

Please take the time to read your child's report with them and discuss their self-assessment of the PYP Approaches to Learning (Thinking Skills, Social Skills, Self-management Skills, Communication Skills and Research Skills.) Information about the Primary Years Programme is attached to this newsletter.

If you have any questions regarding your child's report, please let me know so that we can arrange a time to discuss their progress.

Semester Two Foundation Students

The last Transition Day for Semester Two Foundation Students is Monday 25 June. They will receive their book pack on this day so that books can be covered over the holidays and stationery named ready for the start of next term. We are looking forward to having Josseline Cavanagh, Charlotte Crowther, Sonny Geister, Bethany Jenke and Eddy Verco in our class.

Boots

Our scrub play areas are getting muddy after the recent rain. Please remember to send in a pair of gum boots or old, slip-on boots for your child to change into at Recess and Lunch to keep their school shoes and our classroom carpet mud free.



Concert

Our 2018 School Concert is on Friday 29 June at 7pm in the school hall. We will be celebrating the culmination of our dance lessons with Mrs Noack. This concert will showcase the many gifts and talents our students have developed during this term. Dance is part of the PYP Curriculum Framework and is assessed and recorded in your child's report as part of The Arts. You received a costume notice at the end of last week asking you to provide black pants or leggings and a black long sleeved top for the performance. Costumes should be at school by Friday 22 June. Accessories will be provided and Mrs Doering has kindly offered to paint faces to turn our class into Rocking Robins. Students will need to arrive at school at 6:30pm on Friday so that their faces can be painted.

Yours in Christ,
Sue Denholm

