



James Cook Primary School

Module 2 Newsletter Term 3 2017

26th July 2017

Welcome back to all our year 1 and 2 students. We hope everyone had a restful holiday and enjoyed the break. We look forward to an exciting and busy term preparing for the school Musical and performing in front of family and friends.

This newsletter will give you information about our module and the expectations we have for your children for Term 3.

DAILY ROUTINE

Please remember all students must be at school when the bell rings at 8.55 am ready to start the school day. Last term saw a higher attendance from all classes but we still have a few students arriving late, who are missing vital instructions about the day and their learning.

Please remember that students need to bring a named water bottle to school for use each day. It is important students stay hydrated during the day even during the cooler months. Students may also bring fruit to have during the morning session. This extra fruit helps the children stay focused and alert on their work.

Nude Food wrapper counts are on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays**. To reduce our waste materials and to keep our environment free from rubbish we require your continued cooperation. This term we have a Nude Food card to help encourage no wrappers. When the students get 10 stamps they will earn a prize. To get a stamp their entire lunch box must be 'wrapper free'

It is amazing the number of unnamed clothing and lunch containers left in Module 3 that were not claimed last term. Please make sure all clothing and containers are NAMED.

CURRICULUM

- The children reflected on their achievements for Term 2 as evident in their Learning Portfolios sent home at the end of last term. Please make sure this is returned so further samples of student's work can be added over the next semester.
- An Incursion from Ballarat History Box with a variety of hand on activities about 'Then and Now' will visit JCPS on Tuesday the 22nd August.
- Our Inquiry for this term is based around history. The theme is 'Then and Now.'
- Module 3 have two scenes in the Musical- 12A/D - Monsterland 12B/C - Faraway Land. Students with speaking parts in the Musical have received their scripts and hopefully have had a chance to learn them over the holidays. Every Thursday the students will be learning songs and dance routines as well as practising performances in Music. We are all looking forward to the Musical performance at the DRUM Theatre on September 13th 2017.
- In **Mathematics** we will focus on the processes of Multiplication and Division. We will also cover Money, Time, Chance and data.
- Our **Reading** program will continue to develop and improve the student's use of reading strategies and comprehension through the CAFÉ program. **Writing** will focus on narratives and recounts.

HOMWORK

Our homework program aims to develop organisational skills and study habits. Activities will involve revision of work covered in class as well as activities that enhance your child's thinking processes. Children are, once again, reminded to return their Mathematics and Spelling homework on Fridays and to record their daily reading in their log. We also encourage students to complete weekly 'Mathseeds' and 'Reading Eggs' activities online to reinforce concepts and strengthen their learning development.

STUDENT COMMUNICATION BOOKS

All students have a communication wallet with a small book for parents/guardians and teachers to communicate whenever necessary. Please send the communication wallet every day, as all notices will be sent home in this as well. A number of children seem to have lost or misplaced these. Please see your child's teacher so we can arrange a replacement book.

MODULE ASSISTANCE

Thank you to the parents who assist in our Module. If there are any parents who have a Working With Children's Check and would like to help in Module 2 please see your child's class teacher.

DIARY DATES

Please add these dates to your diary for the term. Further information will be sent home regards to these events.



August 1st Hot Dog Lunch
August 9th Curriculum Day
August 11th School Disco
August 22nd Module 2 'Then and Now' Incursion
August 22nd Pizza Lunch
September 13th Musical
September 19th Pie Lunch Day

Our team of teachers and support staff in Module 2 are looking forward to a wonderful term of learning with your children.

Regards,

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