



James Cook Primary School

Module 1 Newsletter Term 1

2019

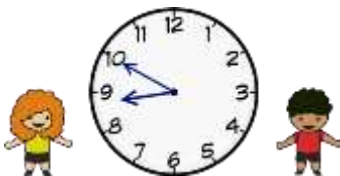
A special welcome to all families and students to Module One. We have had a wonderful start to term one in 2019.

The teachers have worked hard to create a warm and friendly learning environment for our students with Mr Clement in Prep B, Miss Brusamarello in 1A and Miss Eldridge in 1C. The children have settled in quickly and are becoming accustomed to the routines and schedules.

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

DAILY ROUTINE

Students and their parents are free to enter the module when the bell rings at 8.50 am. Students have 10 minutes to quietly organise themselves for the day and put their communication wallets in the tub. As part of our emphasis on developing independence, we request that parents leave the Learning Module at 9am. Please see your child's Home Group teacher before or after school and arrange an appointment if you need to discuss anything with them.



STUDENT BELONGINGS

Water bottles – All students need to bring a named water bottle to school for use each day. It is important students stay hydrated during the warm weather.

Hats - James Cook Primary School is a Sun Smart School and students are required to wear a school approved broad brimmed hat outside during term 1 and 4, when the sun and UV rays are at their strongest. Students with NO hat will not be able to play.



Fruit – Please ensure children have fruit and a healthy snack in their lunchbox. Students will have a break at 10.00am for a healthy food break.

Library bags – Preps will be provided with a red library bag and Grade Ones are provided with a navy blue library bag. Please ensure library books are kept in the library bag in a safe place at home. Students will return these to the library after two weeks of having them at home.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Personal items such as toys are encouraged to be left at home. The school is unable to take responsibility for personal items. When your child begins show and tell, students will keep their toys in their bag during the day for safekeeping.

SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

	MUSIC	PE	ART	MANDARIN	LIBRARY
1A Miss Brusamarello	11.30-12.30 Tuesday	11.30-12.30 Friday	10.00-11.00 Thursday	9.00-9.40 Thursday	1.30-1.50 Monday
Prep B Mr Clement	2.30-3.30 Tuesday	11.30-12.30 Tuesday	9.00-10.00 Thursday	10.20-11.00 Thursday	1.50-2.10 Monday
1C Miss Eldridge	11.30-12.30 Wednesday	9.00-10.00 Thursday	1.30-2.30 Tuesday	2.10-2.50 Thursday	2.10-2.30 Monday

HOMEWORK

Our homework and at home reading program aims to develop organisational skills and study habits.

Preps

Prep students are required to read for 5 minutes every night. Practising the coloured sight words daily will ensure that their reading vocabulary grows with their reading ability. The students' sight words will be tested weekly.



Grade One

Activities will involve revision of work covered in class as well as activities that enhance your child's thinking processes. Daily Home reading is an important part of the program and should be recorded in their yellow reading log. Homework is given out each Monday and is due back on Friday of that week.

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.

PARENT HELPERS

It is wonderful to have parents help in the module. Please see your child's teacher if you are interested in assisting with reading during the morning literacy block. Please note that we can only have parents helping if they have a current 'Working with Children' card. If you need more information about this please contact the office.

DVDs

As part of our studies or as an end of term reward, we may occasionally show DVDs during the year. These will be G or PG rated movies. **If you do not wish your child to watch PG rated movies would you please let us know at our 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Thursday 21st February.**

PAYMENTS

If you send cash to school, please deposit the cash in a labelled envelope, with the notice, into the post box located in the office. This to ensure that both teachers and students are able to begin learning at 9.00 am and not spend time on administrative duties.

DIARY DATES

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

February	
February 21 st	Meet the teacher
February 22 nd	Burden park picnic excursion
February 28 th	Twilight tabloids
March	
March 5 th	Grandparents breakfast
March 6 th	House athletics 3-6
March 11 th	Labour Day public holiday
April	
April 5 th	End of term one – school finishes at 2.30pm

Our team of teachers in Module 1 are looking forward to a fantastic year of learning with your children.

Regards,

Elly Brusamarello (1A), Brad Clement, Amanda Nelson (PB), Sarah Eldridge (1C)
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