



JAMES COOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

PREP NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Can you believe it is already term 3? We can't! This year has already gone so quickly and the children from Module 1 have been making such great progress in their first year of school. We would like to thank all the parents who were able to come along to the parent/teacher interviews at the end of last term - it was great to be able to meet with you and discuss all the wonderful work your children have been doing. Term 3 is going to be a busy one, so here are a few things to be aware of:

Library

Due to timetable changes, our library day will be Monday in Term 3. If you could please remind children to pack their library books in their communication wallets at the end of the weekend, that would be wonderful. Thank you.

M100W

This term we are starting to learn our M100 words. You will notice a coloured word chart being sent home in the students' communication wallets. These are their words for the week and it would be fantastic if you could spend 5 minutes a night revising these with your children. Mixing up the order will ensure that they are learning to sight read the words and not just memorising them in sequence. We will be testing students once a week and having a module assembly on Fridays to hand out certificates for students who are ready to progress onto their next word list. Certificates will be sent home in their communication wallets.

Reading at home

We will also be changing take-home books on Mondays this term. Students will continue to take 5 books home for the week. It is ok for students to read the same book more than once. Please make sure all children are reading for at least 5 minutes each night.

Musical

Term 3 is musical term and the students have already started preparing for their performance in 'The Amazing Race'. Our scene is all about Italy and should be lots of fun. We have dance practice every Monday until the musical and will spend at least one extra session a week rehearsing our singing, dancing and dialogue.

School Starting Time

Just a quick reminder that our doors open at 8:50am each morning to give students time to prepare for the day. We expect that all students are in class and ready to learn at 9am. Students who arrive after this are missing important learning time, so we appreciate your efforts in getting students to school on time regularly.

Parent Helpers

A big thank you to all of the parents who have been able to spend some time in the module with us so far this year. We love having parents helping in the module, so if you are interested, please let us know. Helpers must hold a current 'Working with Children' card.

As always, if you have any questions please come and speak to either of us ☺

Looking forward to a fun and busy Term 3,

The Prep Team,



Amanda Nelson (*Prep Team Leader*) and Brad Clement (*Prep Teacher*)