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Stage 1 Banksia's Newsletter

Welcome back to the new school year. This should be a busy and productive year. Hopefully this letter will answer any initial questions regarding what your child needs for school.

Your child is in room 15 this year and their class name is the Banksias.

Their teacher is Mr Sean Costello.

Their SLSO (School Learning Support Officer) is Mrs Carol Rixon. She will be supporting our literacy program four mornings a week along with the support of Mrs Melissa Copeland our Instructional Leaders.

This year we are continuing with a synthetic phonics spelling program, L3 (Language Learning and Literature) a highly successful literacy program based on Reading Recovery principles; Phonemic Awareness and Quality Maths Blocks including TEN (Targeted Early Numeracy).

This year we will be covering History, Geography, PDHPE and Science components of the curriculum. Our first units of work are based on Science and History where we will be learning about our material world (the property of objects) and the Past in the Present.

Library is on Monday and your child will need a library bag on this day to borrow.

R.F.F is for two hours every week on Tuesday. The RFF teachers are covering Creative and Performing Arts and Science and Technology, as well as writing about these experiences.

PBL Assembly is held every Friday afternoon on the even weeks of the term starting at 2.00pm.

Sport day is on Fridays. Please ensure students have appropriate sports uniforms and sports shoes to ensure they can safely participate (school dresses and slip on shoes can be restrictive during sport). If the weather is extreme, we will continue with sport, but it will be held in the hall.

Homework will begin in week 5. The students will receive this on Mondays. They will need to complete a small amount each night to hand in on Friday morning. Please ensure:

- That the sheet is glued into the book.
- That work is completed in lead pencil neatly and pictures coloured in coloured pencils. No textas or pens should be used to complete homework.

Home Readers will begin in week 7 and can be changed on Mondays and Fridays. It is beneficial that you listen to your child as much as possible and aiming to read every night would be fantastic. Reading the same book for a few nights is also beneficial as it allows your child opportunities to practice fluency and expression.

Speaking and Listening We will be giving further information regarding what is required and on which day in the coming weeks. The topics will be aligned with our KLA focus and will not be on a weekly basis.

Crunch and Sip Please provide your child with water and a piece of fruit and/or cut up vegetables each day.

Feel free to approach me before school or after school if you have further queries. I look forward to working with you and your children in 2020.

Mr Bourke
Acting Principal

Mr Costello
Banksia's Teacher