

Year 3 - Term 3

Dear Parents

Welcome to a new term in the grade 3 Classroom! I am very excited about this term! Below is some important information about our classroom routines and practices.

Morning Routine

In the mornings, the classroom door will generally open at 8:30. You are most welcome to come and see me if you have any questions or queries about your child. You can also schedule an appointment with me for after school. At 8:50, the bell rings signalling the beginning of the school day where the children will line up ready for parade to begin under the school. Please encourage your children to join the class if you arrive late.

It is extremely important that students attend school, are **punctual** and are ready to learn. *Every day counts, because children do better when they are at school all day, every day!* As stated above, the school day begins at 8:50am and it is essential that every student is at school by this time. It is extremely disruptive when students wander in late.

Homework Folders

Students need to continue to bring their homework books back to school on Mondays with their homework fully completed.

Home Reading

As per last term, a home reading booklet will be sent home to keep record of your child's progress. Please take the time to fill this in as it is a useful record of their progress. Please encourage your child to complete some reading **every** night.

This term students who have achieved reading levels 20-30 will choose their own chapter book from the library. It will be recorded in the library borrowing system and must be returned at least once a week. These chapter books have been levelled to suit your child. They do not have to be read completely in one night, but please record what your child reads daily. Please check the new home reading booklet for more information. If you have any questions, please feel free to come and see me.

Sight Words

Students who are still working on their Sight Words need to continue to learn them and bring them in for testing.

Library Day

Our Library day is Friday. It is important that all library books are returned by this day each week to allow the children to borrow again. The children will also need a bag to take their book home in.

Units

Geography - In this unit, students will draw on studies at the local scale, including representations of Australia and the location of Australia's neighbouring countries, understand the different climate types and their influence on the characteristics of places.

Science - In this unit students will use their understanding of the movement of Earth to suggest explanations for everyday observations such as day and night, sunrise and sunset and shadows. They will identify the observable and non-observable features of Earth and compare its size with the sun and moon.

Specialist Lessons

At Forest Hill State School the children complete three lessons per week with specialist teachers.

Health and Drama - Mrs Kristell Schafferius

Physical Education - Mrs Brooke Pickett

Belongings labelled

As we brave the winter temperatures, please remember to label all of your children's clothing.

Yours Kindly

Jess Rees

Class Teacher