



# Year 2, Term 3, 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 3 in Year 2! We hope everyone had a relaxing break and are now excited for Term 3. This letter is a brief outline of what your child will be learning this term. Please continue to support your child's learning at home by encouraging them to read every day. With the weather being cold in the mornings, please make sure that all of your child's belongings, especially hats, jumpers and water bottles are very clearly labelled as the children remove extra items of clothing as the day heats up or when they are inside. As a SunSmart accredited school, from 1 June the children and staff do not wear their SunSmart hats outside. Hats will be worn again from 1 August.

#### **Mathematics**

This term students will be exploring a variety of mathematical concepts including:

- Multiplication and division
- Money
- Fractions

We will be learning how to identify fractions to eighths, investigating the variety of strategies used to solve multiplication and division problems and looking at the properties of Money.

#### English

Students will explore writing, reading, speaking and listening and developing their skills through the following key learning experiences:

- Students will be enhancing their repertoire of strategies to use in aid of accuracy and comprehension when reading
- In spelling, students will be exploring various letter/sound patterns in words
- Students will continue to explore a variety of writing genres, focusing on narratives and persuasive texts.

#### Science

In science, students are learning about how Earth's water resources are used in a variety of ways at school, home and in the community. They will;

- describe how water is transferred from its source to its point of use
- identify actions that can conserve water
- learn about conducting fair investigations
- make predictions
- record and communicate observations.

### Physical Education

Physical Education in Term 2 provides opportunities for Year 2 students to learn through movement. Engaging, student centred lessons will support them to broaden the range and the complexity of fundamental movement skills they are able to perform. Students will have the opportunity to further develop their skills of; catching, throwing and running. The explicit teaching will demonstrate the correct form for catching and throwing, with a focus on hand-eye-coordination and control. Students will participate in team games, focusing on sharing, turn-taking, safe play and developing resilience. The aim for this term is to develop competence and confidence in individual movement abilities.



### The Arts

This term students will be focusing on dance. They will be learning old school dances such as Heel and Toe Polka, Strip the Willow and the Waves of Bondi. Students will become aware of their bodies and learn about the body bases, parts and zones used in dance.



## Library.

Year 2 will be attend library this term with their classroom teacher. Children will be reading the Children's Book Council of Australia's (CBCA) shortlisted books for 2023 and learn about the criteria that makes up each category. Children will decide for themselves which books they believe deserve to be an award winner by applying the CBCA awards criteria and at the end of term, becoming judges for themselves. Please assist children to bring their library books to school on their library day each week.

Library days are: 2SS, 2JB, 2KC - Friday

#### **Inquiry**

In our History and Geography inquiry:

- explore places that are special to themselves and their family
- discuss different ways people are connected to places (family origins, holidays, religious beliefs or sporting events)
- explore Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples connections to Country and land through oral histories, Dreaming and creation stories.

# Health/W@M-

(Wellbeing at Macgregor)

Our W@M lessons this term will focus on how to care for ourselves and others, applying rules fairly and working cooperatively, interacting positively with others and keeping our bodies healthy through movement and healthy food choices.

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