



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to an exciting term 1, in year 1. We have had a fabulous start to the learning year and we are very impressed with the way all children have settled into their new classroom surroundings. Each of the classes have started the new year with activities based on cooperation and getting to know you, created class agreements, established routines and discussed expectations. As parents and carers you have valuable knowledge of your child's individual interests, strengths and needs. We look forward to establishing a productive partnership with you. Below is an outline of our curriculum focus for this term and our email addresses if you wish to contact us.

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Mathematics

Children will be given many hands-on opportunities to understand and explore:

- Counting to 120 and adding/subtracting numbers from 1-20
- Partitioning numbers into tens and ones
- Classifying shapes and exploring length and mass of objects.



Health

Students will continue developing their understanding of being safe and resilient problem solvers who communicate with confidence. In addition, they will strengthen their ability to make healthy choices and describe the importance of physical activity.

Library

Students are encouraged to borrow books for the classroom, and if they have a library bag they can also borrow books to take home. The day each class visits the library is as follows:

1 Diamond	Wednesday
1 Emerald	Tuesday
1 Ruby	Wednesday
1 Sapphire	Friday

English

Children will continue developing their skills in reading, writing, viewing and oral language. They will have daily opportunities to develop:

- Their understanding of phonics
- Effective decoding strategies
- Writing short texts for a range of purposes
- Active listening and appropriate interaction skills.
- Exposure to read alouds.

Humanities and Social Sciences - HaSS

Towards the end of term 1, students will be exploring the features of natural, managed and constructed places. They will be discovering the way local environments change over time and how to care for the spaces around them.

Wellbeing at Macgregor - W@M

This term will focus on appropriate ways to express our emotions and developing healthy relationships. Our school W@M focus is:
in line on time.



Physical Education

Children will be developing and applying their fundamental movement skills during structured play and games.



Important dates for the calendar

- Welcome BBQ – Tuesday 10th Feb
- Water fun day — Monday 2nd March
- Canberra Day— Monday 9th March
- Cross Country Carnival— Friday 27th March
- Last day of Term 1– Thursday 2nd April
- Public Holiday Friday 3rd April

