

Home Study

Home study will involve nightly reading and the completion of a Ripley Valley State School Home Reading log which is to be handed in to class each week for checking and signing by your teacher. Students will also be required to return the home readers every Wednesday and Friday.

School Values

1. Be Responsible

2. Be Respectful

3. Be a Learner

Class Dojo Points will continue to be used in the classroom to encourage our school values choices. At the end of the week one student will be awarded an 'Excellence Award' at Parade. If your child reaches 100 Dojo points, look out for a postcard in your letterbox!



Contact Info

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Diary Dates:

Library borrowing: Fridays

Parades: Hall, 9:05am on Fridays

School Newsletters: Emailed out to you in weeks 1, 4 and 8 on Thursdays.

End of term: Thursday 1st April

Please regularly check your child's reader folder to find out about any more important dates.

Things to Remember

Please wait at the Piazza with your child until 8:50am and until 3pm at pick-up time.



Resources:

- Please ensure your child has all the resources from the booklist ready to start the year. If you require a booklist please let your child's teacher know.



Prep 2021

Class Newsletter

Term 1

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&
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Class Routines

- Please remember to bring **reader folders** to school everyday. They are to be put into the basket each morning. Take home readers are changed every Wednesday and Friday.
- **Water bottles** are placed just inside the dorr each day.
- **Hats** are part of our school uniform and must be at school everyday.
- **Uniform** Please refer to the school website and newsletter regarding the required school uniform.
- Please email us at the above email address's for all questions, concerns, comments or anything else we might be able to assist you with. We check emails regularly and if you could please allow 1 business day for us to get back to you, that would be greatly appreciated. For urgent matters please contact Admin on 3294 2888 and we will get back to you ASAP.



English



Every morning we will continue to have a 2-hour Literacy Block where students will work in small groups focusing on their learning needs and abilities.

Each day we will practice Phonemic Awareness (hearing, manipulating sounds in words).

We then move into Daily writing stations where students are provided the opportunity to:

- Work in small groups with a teacher
- Work in small groups with a teacher aide focusing on the sound of the week, sentence starts, writing high frequency words and using WOW words to add detail to make pieces of writing more informative.
- Work independently on sentence building, creative writing and word processing using Laptops.
- Working on following instructions to create a craft related to the sound of the week and using the creation station to invent and use their imagination to solve problems.

We have a whole class focus on comprehension—before we move into instructional reading groups. Students rotate around the room to stations to further develop their reading skills. Your child reads to three different adults each day.

English continued

We have formal handwriting lessons each week and engage in oral language activities daily.

This term we are focusing on retelling familiar fairy tales and children will present a retell of their chosen fairy tale. Students will also make a connection to a character or event and express a preference for a character or an event.



Science/Technology/HASS

In Science students will be looking at different weather types and identifying appropriate activities and clothing.

In Technology Miss Lawsen will be helping build their confidence and creativity using applications on the iPad. Her lessons are on Monday afternoons.

In HASS students will be retelling personal events and experiences.



Health and Physical Education Mrs Wohlsen (Wednesdays)

This term students will be learning about areas that are safe to play in and be active. They will learn about the importance of being physically active and how their bodies respond to different movements. Students will perform various movement sequences including, running, dribbling a ball, passing a ball in soccer activities and interact positively with others.

Mathematics

Students will explore the different areas of Mathematics including:

- Recognise and classify 2D shapes and some of their features.
- Creating patterns with objects and numbers.
- Recognise, read, write and order numbers to 10.
- Develop confidence with number sequences to and from 10 from any starting point.



The Arts Ms Wood (Wednesdays)

The students in P/1 are going to be focusing on Visual Arts and will use a range of methods including lines, shapes, colours, patterns, digital images and different types of materials including paint, paper, crayons, pencils, play dough to create artwork about Fiction and Fantasy tales. The students will also be developing their Music skills including rhythm, pitch, dynamics, expression and aural skills.

