



# Junior School (Year One & Two)

## Term 3, 2020 Newsletter

Welcome back to Wattle Park Primary School for Term 3. We hope you all enjoyed your Term 2 holiday break and you're ready for another term! We will once again be learning from home at the start of this term. We hope you enjoyed the packs your teachers have prepared for you. If you need a break, be sure to check our Wellbeing/Brain Break pages for ideas.

## What's happening in the (virtual) classroom?

### Reading

Students will further develop their fluency and comprehension skills. Students focus on a different comprehension strategy each week. The Year Ones will be doing an author study on **Eric Carle**.

### Writing

**Year 1:** This term, there will be a large focus on information reports. Students will learn the structure and language of an information report. They will continue to write recounts, with a focus on their minibeasts study.

**Year 2:** Our focus is procedural writing. Students will be explicitly taught the structure and elements of procedures. By the end of this process, students will write their own procedural text on how to do something. There will be an ongoing focus on letter formation and punctuation.

### Spelling

Students will continue going through the SMART Spelling program, learning a new sound each week.

### Mathematics

**Year 1:** Term 3 topics are addition, subtraction, 2D and 3D shapes, chance, money, time, data representation, place value and division.

**Year 2:** Term 3 topics are number patterns, capacity, time, data, multiplication, area, 3D shapes and division.

### Integrated

#### Year 1 – "Minibeasts"

Students will investigate a variety of minibeasts and locate their habitats. They will learn about how they eat, move and protect themselves. Students will observe the features of minibeasts and develop an understanding of how their habitat and features help their survival.

#### Year 2 – "Long, Long Ago"

Students will be looking at the history and geography and the diversity of environments in which dinosaurs existed within. They will discover and learn to identify and classify dinosaurs and their features.

### Dates for your Diary

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Pupil Free Days

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – Start of remote learning

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July** – Parent Teacher Interviews

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September** – Last Day of School – **2.30pm dismissal**

### Attendance

Teachers will be sending out attendance emails daily in accordance with DET requirements. Please reply to these emails by 11:00 AM to be marked present.

### Phone Calls

Teachers will be making twice-weekly calls to check in on students for the duration of online learning.

### Parent Reps

A huge thank you to parent reps who have been an integral part of the success of online learning.