

4/5K Parent Information Letter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to 2016 and to your child starting in 4/5K.

Home Reading

It is expected that children will read for **at least** 15 minutes every night. It is recommended that children read novels to increase their vocabulary and comprehension. The children will write the name of the book in their diary.

Home Learning

Home learning will be sent home for a two week period. It will begin this week and will usually cover topics as; spelling and math. As we launch into our enduring concept other home learning activities may include surveys, interviews or research. It is important to remember that home learning is to build skills with time management and personal responsibility. If children have any problems with the home learning please encourage them to come and see me. If there are concepts in math that don't know I have informed them to highlight the problem. Home reading is part of the home learning expectations.

Student Diary

Your child has been given a diary to assist with the continued development of organisation and responsibility. As important dates come up or things they need to remember they will enter them in. I would like parents to sign the diary at the end of each week. You have the opportunity them to flick through the diary and become aware of what is coming up for your child.

Library

4/5K library lesson is each Tuesday after lunch. Your child is encouraged to use this time to borrow books to read in class and at home. They need to remember to bring their library bag in order to do this.

Parent Information Session

Parent information evenings have been arranged for Tuesday 16th February. These sessions are an opportunity for you to meet with me and learn about class expectations, routines and some learning units we will be engaged in this term. The program session is as follows:

3.30pm-4.00pm Tanya Thompson, Police Liaison Officer, will conduct a meeting for all interested parents on keeping students safe online.

4.00-4.30pm Afternoon tea in the school hall for all parents/carers and teachers.

4.30-5.00pm Meet the teacher session one (in my classroom)

5.00-5.30pm Meet the teacher session two (a repeat of session one)

Crunch and Sip

We have an eating break each morning. This is an important part of our routine, considering children learn for two hours without interruption. I would ask that children have an easy to eat fruit/vegetable option for this break.

Equipment

Most necessary equipment for your child has been included in the book pack, however, it would be appreciated if you could supply the following items:

- Box of tissues
- Antibacterial hand wash or paper towel

Your child has also been given a usb included in the book pack. This is to use when home learning requires the use of a computer at home or when saving learning at school. It would be great if you could attach this to a lanyard or piece of ribbon.

I look forward to teaching your child and meeting you at the information sessions. As always I extend the offer to contact me at any time to organise a meeting should you have any questions or concerns you wish to discuss.

Regards,

Karen Klironomakis