

## Year 1/2L NEWSLETTER

## Welcome Back to School for 2023

What a fantastic beginning to the school year for 2023. The first week back has commenced with our 'Start Right at Regency' program which fosters all students building relationships with their teachers and peers as well as establishing connections to their learning in the classroom. The students are settling in well and have made a very positive start. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting year ahead!

## Specialist Timetable

1/2L - Art and Music (Tues), Library and French (Wed), STEM and PE (Thurs)

### Communication with Teachers

We will once again offer teacher email as a major component of communication between school and home. Emails will be checked each day and, if required, a response given within 24 hours. If you have anything to tell us, an area of concern or would like to make a time to meet, email is your best way to contact us. Please note that if it is a timely or urgent matter, it would be best to call the school office and leave a message with the office staff.

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## Dates to Remember Open Classroom

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 3:30 – 4:30pm

#### **Bush Cabaret Day:**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February Refer Compass post

#### **Year 1 Information Night:**

Tuesday 21st February 6-6:45pm online via Google Meet

#### **Year 2 Information Night:**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 7-7:45pm online via Google Meet

#### **Labour Day (no school):**

Monday 13th March

#### **School Photos:**

Tuesday 21st March

#### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 11.30-7.30pm

#### Hats

Hats need to be worn at all times from the beginning of September until the end of April.

#### **Brain Food**

We encourage all students to bring some fruit or vegetables for brain food that we have each morning around 10am.

#### Tissues

It would be helpful if each child could please bring in a box of tissues for classroom use. Thank you.

#### **Library Bags**

To keep books safe students are required to have a library bag for bringing books to and from the library each week.

#### **Art Smocks**

Students will need an art smock for all art sessions to keep uniforms clean during craft activities - please send to school as soon as possible.



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### **Curriculum Focus Areas Term 1**

Writing - Recount and narrative writing

Reading – Thinking and talking about books, Author Study, Genre (fiction & nonfiction).

**Spelling** – SMART spelling

Maths – Counting, Place Value, Graphing, Measurement, Addition, Subtraction, Shape

Inquiry - Cultural Diversity

#### **Take Home Readers**

The take home books will begin coming home from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February. These are meant to be 'easy to read books' for your child. This is so your child can build their **fluency**, **accuracy** and **confidence** when reading aloud. Please fill out the reading log book each night with the date and title of book read. The green case will come home with them each night and should be sent back to school every day. **Please only record one book per night**.

We encourage you to aim for **5 nights of reading a week** – 1 book per night (approx. 10mins) If your child is tired, we suggest sharing the reading with them, line by line or page by page.

#### **Compass**

All attendances, absences and excursions are processed through Compass. If you have misplaced your login details please see the office or Miss Howard for another copy. All other information for families will be explained on the Information Nights and through the Information booklets sent home with students.

We are creating a family photo wall in our classroom this week. If your child would like to bring a photo of their family to add to the display, it would be very welcome! We very much look forward to working with you and your children and enjoying a fantastic year together!

Kind regards,

Ionie Larter and the Year 1 and Year 2 teachers.

