

Welcome Year One families,

We are thrilled to welcome you and your child to Year One! We hope that you have had a fun filled, safe summer break and are ready to get back into the swing of all things school! This letter will include information pertaining to the Year One routines and expectations and how we will be working with and supporting your child this year.

### **This Year's Timetable**

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-8:45	Assembly (odd weeks)	Morning fitness	Morning fitness	Assembly (even weeks)	Morning fitness
8:45-10:20	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
10:20-10:40	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess
10:40-12:20	Mathematics	Mathematics	Library (10:40- 11:30) Mathematics	Mathematics	Science
12:20-1:05	Lunch & Story time	Lunch & Story time	Lunch & Story time	Lunch & Story time	Lunch & Story time
1:05-2:45	Religious Education (1:40-2:00) HASS	Religious Education (1:40-2:00) HASS Art	Religious Education (1:40-2:00) Mathematics	Religious Education (1:40-2:00) Art	Sport Health

### **Assembly**

Assembly will be held in the Undercover Area every Monday of odd weeks and in the Hall every Thursday of even weeks of the term. If your child is to receive a Merit Certificate at the Thursday assembly, I will notify you at the beginning of the week. It would be lovely if you could come along; however, I will take a photo and send it via SeeSaw for those families that can't make it.

### **Technology**

Students access technology as a learning tool at school on a regular basis. To ensure all students are familiar with the expectations around technology they are provided with a set of guidelines to ensure they care for and respect our iPads and computers.

### **Restorative Practices**

We will continue to have a focus on Restorative Practice to assist students with resolving their own conflict situations in an appropriate manner.

In class we have two incentive programs:

- A whole class incentive, we are aiming to fill our 'Class Bucket'.
- Students also receive raffle tickets which may be drawn out of a box on a Friday afternoon to receive a prize.

Students who are not displaying appropriate behaviour will be given a 'Stop & Think Card'. They will then, when appropriate, talk with the teaching staff as to better choices they should have made and hopefully will make in the future.

### **Morning routines**

Students are welcome into the classroom from 8:15am to bring their things in to ensure they are ready to be in the classroom when the bell goes at 8.30am. They will need to bring their Black Folder, which will later be placed into their Tidy Tray, and their water bottle.

### **How to help at home**

We encourage you to listen to your child read at **least** 3 times a week. We also encourage you to help your child read (and spell) their tricky words as well as practice writing, reading and using numbers in everyday situations. Homework sheets will be sent home weekly, (sent on Tuesday and to be returned on the following Monday) if parents wish to assist their child to complete. Please note these sheets are not compulsory, they are only to be completed if parents wish their child to do so.

### **Birthdays**

At school, we will celebrate your child's birthday by singing 'Happy Birthday' and wearing a special birthday badge. Birthdays are also recognized at the Thursday Assembly with the presentation of a special birthday certificate and pencil.

Due to food allergies within the school, we ask that you don't send any treats as we don't want to cause any offense by not handing them out. If your child is having a party and brings invitations, these are to be handed out before school.

### **Communication**

If you need any further clarification, or need to make contact with me throughout the day, have a concern or would like to meet with me, please message me through Seesaw or alternatively you can email me at [michelle.thompson@cewa.edu.au](mailto:michelle.thompson@cewa.edu.au).

We look forward to a wonderful year of growing and learning together.

Blessings,

Mrs Michelle Thompson (Teacher)

Mrs Gemma Mackenzie (Education Assistant)