Welcome back to school for another busy term. Students have returned with the usual energy and enthusiasm and with holiday stories to share with the class. This term we welcome new student Levi to our class. Levi is in Year 1 and will be making transition visits during the first few weeks of the term. Students continue with swimming lessons each Monday & cooking lessons Wednesdays of even weeks. Road Safety lessons will be introduced this term and students will participate in a hands-on visit from the RAA’s Schools Program. Students will continue to develop their understandings in Digital Technologies, enjoying lessons with Ms Tamara on Wednesdays. We also hope to go on our excursion to the Adelaide Zoo this term.

Please don’t hesitate to phone the school to speak with Cathy or I, if there is anything you wish to discuss: 8293 1863

English:
- Jolly Phonics
- Words their Way
- Functional Grammar
- Reading Groups
- Handwriting
- Genre Writing - recount, procedure, information report
- Oral Language Program - Morning Talks, Assembly presentations, Class Meetings
- Premier’s Reading Challenge
- Audience /listening Skills - performances, presentations, group time
- LLI Reading Intervention Program

Maths:
- Patterning
- Fractions
- Australian Money - coins & notes
- Measurement - length & weight
- Number revision from terms one & two
- Time revision
- The ‘Secret Code’ - strategies for efficient counting

The Arts:
- Visual Arts: continuing to experiment with different materials, techniques & processes to create artwork, with a focus on Book Week.
- Performing Arts: Students will continue to develop fundamental movements required to perform technical dance moves, by exploring locomotor and non-locomotor activities.

Science:
- Students will be learning about living things, their characteristics, needs and habitats. Students will work with Ms Tamara Tane on Wednesdays.
- In preparation for our excursion to the Adelaide Zoo later this term, students will continue learning from last term with a focus on research to collect information to write an information report about an endangered animal.
Health and P/E:

- **P/E on Tuesdays with Daniel Nguyen:** through the Jump Rope program, students will continue to develop fine-motor skills in jumping & hopping, with an understanding of how physical activity can improve wellbeing.
- **Swimming on Mondays at Thebarton Aquatic Centre**
- **Circuit – fitness stations and aerobic activities with R and IELC 2 classes (Fridays)**

History:

- **Personal & Family Histories:** Who the people in their family are, where they were born & raised & how they are related to each other (R)
- **Exploring Family Life:** My past, present and future (Yr 1)
- **The impact of technology on peoples’ lives, in the ways they worked, travelled, communicated and played in the past (Yr 2).**

ICT/Technology:

- **In digital technologies students will learn different ways of publishing information. Students will also use ipads to document various activities from their Science unit of work.**
- **Computer lessons - our class will combine with Ms Alanna’s class for lessons on Tuesdays. A focus will be to explore Kidpix program & Pearson Literacy resources.**

Please remember:

- Listening to your child read each night contributes significantly to their progress in reading. Please spend a few minutes each night listening to home books, LLI books, sight-word, cvc, or sound word books being read to you each evening. Homework - class-based literacy & maths in ‘Homework Folders’; Speech homework.
- **As mid-winter approaches, runny noses are in abundance and tissues are in big demand! If you haven’t already, please would you kindly donate a box of tissues to the class. Thank you to those families who continue to generously donate, throughout the year.**

DIARY DATES:

- **Week 4** Monday August 10th - Governing Council Meeting
- **Week 6** Thursday August 27th - Street Smart RAA
- **Week 6** Friday August 28th - BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY
- **Week 8** Wednesday September 9th - Governing Council Meeting 6pm
- **Week 8** Friday September 11th - Pupil-Free Day
- **Week 9** Monday September 14th - School Closure
- **Week 9** Saturday September 19th - Bunnings BBQ & Cake Stall
- **Week 10** Friday September 25th - Assembly, 2 pm dismissal.