



IELC 2 –Term 1 2019

Teachers: Miss Diana

Welcome

This will be busy but exciting term for the students in IELC 2. We welcome 4 new students to the class and I thank the returning students for helping the new students to settle into the class.

We have begun the term by getting to know each other and establishing classroom routines and expectations.

Literacy

This term the language focus will be 'Our Community' with the genre focus on recounts. This genre involves detailing what happened at a particular event, e.g. an excursion or a party on a weekend. Students will learn to orally recount events and if they are able the students will write a recount using sentences or by sequencing pictures. We will be learning about our community, the places and people in the community, e.g. Police, Fire-fighters, Library, Post and others. We hope to visit some of these places and have some guest speakers come into the class.



During the term students will participate in Guided Reading. Students will be working in small groups developing reading strategies to support fluency and comprehension.

'Jolly Phonics' is a program that teaches children the sounds of the alphabet, with an action making it fun. Learning the

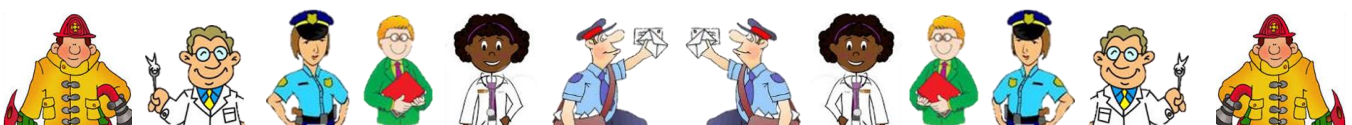
sounds in this way helps the children remember them. The program will also help with reading, writing and letter formation. Students who have learnt the sounds that letters make will begin 'Word Study'. During word study students will learn spelling rules and other ways sounds are made so they can spell words correctly.

Maths

In maths we will be focussing on



- *Number*
 - Learning number facts
 - Counting strategies such as counting all, counting on, subitising
 - Counting forward and backward from different starting points
 - Sequencing numbers
- *Shape*
 - Recognising 2 dimensional shapes and describing them
 - Beginning to investigate 3 dimensional shapes
- *Patterning*
 - Sorting and classifying objects
 - Continuing patterns and making patterns using colours and objects
 - Describing patterns
 - Patterns in number (Year 1's)
- *Location and Position*
 - Using positional language
 - Looking at simple maps and describing positions of features
- *Measurement*
 - Using comparative language to describe size (length and height)





Other Teachers

During the year your child will work with other teachers in specialist subject areas.

Ms Poppy Stewart – Performing Arts

The term in Music children explore rhythm, pitch, dynamics (soft/loud and slow/fast) and timbre using nursery rhymes, popular music and cultural song. I invite students and their families to share any songs from their cultural backgrounds for our studies.

Mr Daniel Nguyen-Physical Education

This term students in ILEC2 will be developing various fundamental movement skills, which include running, dodging, weaving, balancing, hopping and galloping through modified games.

Ms Gail Glasper- Visual Arts

Throughout term one our focus will be centred on drawing and painting to create visual artworks. Our main theme for this term will be "Self". Students will be introduced to primary colours, red, yellow blue.

Library

Each Friday students will visit the school library. Students will be able to borrow 2 library books and can keep the books at home for 2 weeks. Please encourage your child to take care of the books they borrow.



Notes

Children bring home notes that are important information for you. Please check your child's home book or reader bag for notes each night.

Homework

Your help and support with homework will have a positive impact on your child's progress.

Sight Words- These are flash cards, mix them up and practise each night. These help children to read fluently.

Sounds Book- This is a small book; each page will have an alphabet letter on it. The children need to look at the letter and say the sound the letter makes and do the action.

Reader Book-Please listen to your child read each night and on the weekend.



Please make sure your child brings their reader folder to school every day.

Contacting Me

If you would like to contact me you can write in the Home Book, see me after school or phone the school on 8293 1863.

Dates to Remember:

- 11th February – Pupil Free Day (No School)
- 13th February- Acquaintance Night
- 8th March – Pupil Free Day (No School)
- 11th March- Public Holiday (No School)
- 22nd March- Harmony Day Assembly 11:30am
- 12th April- Last Day of Term 1 (2pm Dismissal)

