

IELP 1 & 5 Term 3 Newsletter and Overview

Welcome back IELP1 and 5, and to our new families a warm welcome to Richmond Primary School. This term, Ms Thuy will be teaching in IELP 5 every Friday. Wei Wang, a post graduate trainee teacher, has commenced a 3 week teaching practice with us and has enjoyed getting to know the children. From next week, our classroom will be home to four different Australian animals. We will care for zebra finches, a guinea pig, a sleepy lizard and green tree frogs! We will also be hatching chicks from an incubator and closely monitoring their progress. In September we plan to visit the Royal Adelaide Show and see the animals there.

Writing- Our theme this term is 'Animals' and our focus genre is 'information report writing'.

- As a class, we will read a number of reports about animals and discuss. We will look at the format of report writing and together write our own.
- The children will learn to self-edit by checking their own work to ensure that it is 'Five Star' (includes a capital letter, full stop, finger spaces, has neat writing and makes sense.)

As well as reports we will write recounts and descriptions.

Sounds/ spelling-

- We will continue to use the Jolly Phonics multi-sensory resources to learn the sounds letters make.
- The 'Words Their Way' programme follows Jolly Phonics. This differentiated programme will focus on your child's particular spelling needs. There will be daily spelling activities to help learn and reinforce the patterns.



Topic- Our theme this term is 'Animals'.

We will:

- Learn about the classification of animals.
- Find out about different Australian animals and their needs.
- Examine animal Habitats; look at their homes and diets.
- Observe and care for a variety of animals from Urrbrae Education Centre.
- Visit the Adelaide Show in September and get close to the farm animals there. This theme is cross curricular and will lend itself to Literacy, Art and STEM activities.
- Create reports about Australian animals using Book Creator and Green Screen.



Speaking and Listening- The children will engage in speaking and listening daily.

- Every week the children will 'Share' through speaking to the rest of the class. We have included a list of topics for Term 3 in your child's Home Book.



Grammar-

- We will continue to work on full stops and capital letters.
- We will write simple compound sentences using 'and'.
- We will look at tenses and building noun groups to expand sentences. Action verbs will also be taught.
- We will work on pronouns and singular and plural nouns.



Maths- Our maths sessions will begin with quick fire mental maths questions to get the brain working and end with a sharing of what we've learnt.

- In number work we will recognise, order and write numbers to 10/ 100. We will locate numbers on a number line to 10/ 100 and beyond.
- We will sort and describe 2D shapes and 3D objects (name, sides, corners, edges, vertices).
- The children will copy patterns made of shapes and objects, describe the pattern, continue it and create their own patterns.
- We will skip count in 2's, 5's, 10's extending to 3's.
- We will measure lengths of objects using informal units.

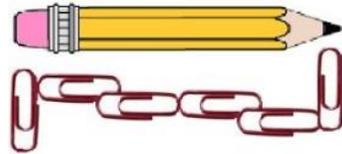
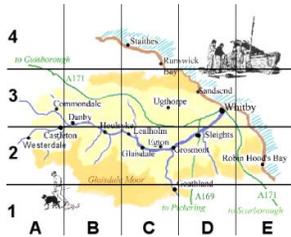


Homework & Communication



- At home, children should be reading their graded reading book daily.
- The letter sounds and Oxford lists of high frequency words should also be read frequently.
- Children should be prepared for their weekly sharing to build confidence (topics in home book).

Maths sheets & topic will be sent home as needed.



STEM- Activities will be based around the scientific theme 'Living things have basic needs and live in different places where their needs are met.' We will use Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to create habitats that allow us to care for a variety of animals, and keep them safe and happy! We will use the 6D's Process of Solution Fluency when designing and creating our animal homes along with Green Screen and Book Creator.

Specialist classes

- During Visual Art lessons, the children will explore collage to create Art. They will strengthen and build on the skills needed for drawing and painting.
- Mr Nguyen will take the children for P.E. He will develop ball control, kicking techniques and an understanding of the rules in soccer.
- Poppy will take the children weekly for music. They will participate in the National music programme 'Count us in'.



Reading-

Our class will read frequently from graded reading books, during our iPad sessions on Reading Eggs and also during Guided Reading sessions.

Guided Reading- We will read a variety of fiction and non-fiction books in small groups. Focus will be on comprehension and inference.



If you have further questions please feel free to contact us via Seesaw or through a note in the Home Book.

Kind Regards, Lou, Voula and Ms Thuy

