Dear Parents/ Caregiver

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you all had a fabulous holiday break with the children. On the holiday I went to Perth and got married. A very exciting time for me. Therefore, I have come back this term with a different surname. The students will now refer to me as Mrs Schoeppner.

This term in English the students will be focusing on narrative and performances of stories. We will be learning about narratives through a successful English program called ‘Talk for Writing’. The students and myself have thoroughly enjoyed this program so far and have seen great progress.

In Mathematics this term a focus will be on numbers in the thousands and financial literacy. I encourage you to engage the children in your trips to the shops and have discussions about the prices of items. It is through everyday conversations about the world around them that children learning can be fostered.

In Geography students will be looking at the places and communities we live in. We will be looking at the community of Karratha and the wants and needs of a home and a community. In History we will be looking at historical sites that reflect the communities history. We are began with an in depth look into ANZAC and the historical sites of war memorials. I ask for volunteers to please share with the class any war mementos or stories. Please let me know if you would like to be a guest speaker and share a story. This will assist the students’ learning.

In addition we will look into the history of Cossack and surrounding areas.
In Design and Technology children will be looking at the different forms of forces used in technology. We will go on a journey of force with the help of Leonardo Da Vinci’s amazing inventions.

Finally in Digital Technology the students will be learning about cyber safety. As part of this program I will be using Connect to engage the students in the safe use of the internet. I ask that if students have access to a computer at home, they log in to Connect as part of their homework and answer the Notice Board questions. Students have learnt that Connect is to be a safe online community for the classroom and personal information is not to be shared.

The classroom is open to parent volunteers between 8:05am and 10:20am each morning except Wednesday. Even if you can spare a small 20 minutes in the classroom it will greatly assist the students learning. A reminder that in the mornings between 8:05 and 8:20 the students are expected to get their desk organised and read silently or to an adult. I encourage you to also listen to other children read in the morning if you have the time available. Thank you for all you ongoing support in the classroom. It is through working together as a team, we can foster the learning and well being of the children.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Stacey Schoeppner

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