



Dear Parents/Caregivers

We have had a great start to the term! This term is jam packed with lots of exciting things. We will have lots of new things happening which are outlined below.

In the classroom we will be starting a new news program with take home activity bags. Each child will get a chance to take the bags home. The bags include:

- a take home teddy journal (where you can add drawings, photos and writing about the time spent with the teddy at home)
- a Mathematics bag (where you can choose some or all activities to complete all to do with what we are covering in Maths)
- a story book bag (where you can read a book and have questions to discuss together and draw your favourite part of the story)
- a fine motor bag (where there will be a number of activities to try to assist in improving fine motor and writing control)

You will get to keep the bag at home until to your next Kindy day (the bag will come with the date to return to avoid confusion). Please remember to bring the bags back on time as there are limited days left in the year and other students will then miss out. The bags will rotate through the class over the remainder of the year.

In your child's homework folder I will start to send little activities home. These will be based on your child's development to support skills they are working on. These will mostly be game based and should not be a stressful activity at home. Please ensure you bring your homework folder to school each day so they can be updated when needed.

I will be running another parent workshop around supporting your child with reading and sound knowledge. If you would be interested in attending please sign up on the signup sheet on our classroom door. This will be held after school from 2:30-3pm on Tuesday 15 August (B group) and Friday 18 August (A group).

This term we have Father's Day. In Week 7, Monday 28 August and Tuesday 29 August, at 8:30-10am Dads are invited for a Father's Day morning of fun with your child. Dad's will be given a special present to wear on the day. Could you please provide a white T-shirt of your size by Friday 18 August.

Our Sports carnival will be held this term. A note will be going home regarding this and with more details about times and days.

Parent help will continue this term, however there will be different times you can now come in. As we are starting our new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program we would love help some afternoons to be a part of this and experiments. The morning time slot will still also run from 8:30-9:30/10am. A roster will be placed up on the door for you to put your name down. Please let me know if you are unable to make it as I will have prepared an activity for you to do with the kids.

We are looking forward to the rest of a very exciting term. If you have any questions or queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to come and see me after school and I will be happy to clarify anything with you.

Regards

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