

# GRADE 1 NEWSLETTER

TERM 1, 2023

## MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM

Our wonderful students have settled into Grade 1 seamlessly. We are so proud of all their efforts as we navigate through a busy start to the year! We can't wait to see what they achieve throughout the year.

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## CLASS DOJO!

Just a reminder, teachers will respond to Class Dojo messages at their earliest convenience. If your matter is urgent, please contact the school office directly.

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

28/2 & 1/3 - Meet and Greet.

21/3 - School Photos

6/4 - Last Day of Term 1

## REMINDERS!

Students will be bringing their readers home on Monday and will be required back at school on Friday.

Subway Lunch - Submit orders online by Wednesday!



# Specialist Timetable

| Specialists     | 1P        | 1M        | 1SM       | 1T        |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mandarin        | Monday    | Monday    | Tuesday   | Tuesday   |
| Performing Arts | Wednesday | Wednesday | Wednesday | Wednesday |
| PE              | Tuesday   | Tuesday   | Friday    | Tuesday   |
| Art             | Monday    | Monday    | Tuesday   | Tuesday   |
| Library         | Tuesday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday | Thursday  |



# English

This year, we are very excited to roll out the Little Learners Love Literacy program in our classrooms. As we navigate through this new program, we ask that our families help support this program at home. Later in the term, we will be sending home decodable readers that connect with the phonemes taught in the classroom. More information regarding the Little Learners Love Literacy program will be sent home throughout the term.

In writing, students have continued to develop their writing skills by completing weekend recounts. Each week, students will be encouraged to expand on their writing by including as much detail as they can and ensuring they have the correct punctuation such as capital letters and full stops. Towards the end of the term, we will begin to explore narrative writing, where students will be given the opportunity to express their creativity.







## Mathematics

This term in Mathematics, the Grade 1s have begun practising their counting skills and revisiting place value to build on their understanding.

Later in the term, students will be reintroduced to addition and subtraction, where using concrete materials will play a vital role in developing an understanding of these operations.

Students have also enjoyed exploring measurement concepts including length, days of the week and months of the year. Later in the term, we will look at chance and 2D shapes.

## Inquiry

The Grade 1s have begun the term with an inquiry into 'Who We Are' during which students explored themselves as learners and how they work best. We will begin to partake in multiple intelligences activities, where students will have the opportunity to find what works best for them as a learner.

Later in the term, we will begin our next inquiry into 'How We Express Ourselves' which will allow students to convey their thoughts and feelings through creative expression.

