Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year. Our class is settling into routine and we are getting organised for a busy and exciting year ahead!

This is my second year teaching at Vienna Woods and I am lucky enough to have some children in my class for a second year. I am looking forward to getting to know my new students and their families.

My expectation each day is for children to have all their required books and equipment, be in full school uniform and be on time. A healthy breakfast and lunch, water bottle and regular, early bed times are vital for children to have energy and be able to concentrate in class each day.

Children have discussed the school and class rules and have demonstrated a good understanding of what is expected. Our focus is being responsible for your own choices and to have a positive outlook to enable students to be happy in class and learn to enjoy activities that they don’t always like.

You are warmly invited to come and meet me at our ‘Parent Information Evening’ on Tuesday 3rd February from 5:00pm - 5:30pm. I will discuss class routines, our timetabled activities, give an overview of the term’s programme and activities and talk about some of the events occurring during the year.
Curriculum in Term One

ENGLISH
Short stories focus; Weekly spelling words; Reading skills and building up reading stamina; Vocabulary development; Oral language development

MATHS
Number and place value - Identify and describe properties of prime and composite numbers, factors, multiples, triangular numbers, square numbers and problem solving. Fractions and decimals - Order and compare fractions with related denominators, add and subtract fractions with related denominators, calculate the fraction of a given quantity. Shape – properties of 2D shapes.

SCIENCE
In this unit students will investigate the cause and effect of natural disasters.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE (HASS)
This term students will be investigating Australia through the “My Place” story, investigating change, mapping, timelines, sustainability and geographical locations.

TECHNOLOGY
Students will be designing and creating a Multimedia Movie in conjunction with the Science unit on Natural Disasters.

HEALTH & PE
Bounce Back Programme; Cross Country training; Interschool Sports training – netball or soccer

ARTS
Visual arts
L.O.T.E.
Italian

Homework:
We will start a regular homework routine in Week Two. Students will be issued homework on a Friday and it will be due back to school on the following Thursday.

Student Leaders:
We are very excited to induct our student leaders officially into their positions and we will be holding a special assembly on Friday the 10th of February at 9am to hear them give their pledge and receive their badges. We would love to see you there.

Important Dates:
This term will be Cross Country and Sports Carnival Day One. Be sure to read future school newsletters for details.

My goal is to keep every child safe, happy and learning and I will do my best to achieve this. Your help and support in assisting your child to be the best they can be is greatly appreciated. Please don’t hesitate to contact me regarding any issues in your child’s school life. I am available before 8:15am or after 2:30pm most days for a quick chat or an appointment can be made if longer is needed.

Kind regards

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