

1M Newsletter

Term 2 2017



Important dates

Thursday 11th May–

Excursion to Casey Safety Village

Monday 15th May– Dinosaur incursion

Tuesday 23rd May–

Open School Morning 9-10

Thursday 25th May–

Harmonies Unite choral festival. 7pm Start at Toorak College, Mt Eliza

Monday 12th June–

Queens birthday holiday

Thursday 28th June–

School Disco

Friday 30th June– Last

day of term 2 (2.30 finish)

Sound focus:

Week beg. 8th May-

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Week beg. 15th May- /

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Week beg. 29th May- /

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Week beg. 9th June- /

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Week beg. 19th June- /

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It was great to see the children coming back from their holidays refreshed and ready to learn. We have had a few changes to our timetable this term. We will no longer be doing craft with Leanne on Wednesdays. The children loved making their octopus pom poms, which are on display in the classroom, and we look forward to working with Leanne again later in the year. This term we will be doing life skills sessions in the kitchen with Russell. In these sessions children learn how to make simple recipes as well as developing their understanding of safety and hygiene rules. We are also lucky enough to be working with K in the woodwork shed.

Timetable:

Below are the days that we will be having specialist subjects in term 2.

Monday—Music, Woodwork and Library

Tuesday— PMP, Indonesian, Choir and Life Skills

Wednesday— P.E

Thursday— Art

Please ensure that your child is wearing suitable shoes for P.E on Wednesday and has their library book in school to exchange on a Monday.

Reading

It is really lovely to see the children in 1M gaining skills and confidence with their reading. Thank you for supporting your child at home with their home readers and helping them to learn their colour words. To become a good reader it is essential that they spend periods of time each day reading independently, so every bit they do at home really makes a difference. It is also important to remember the importance of reading stories to your children and that it is ok to read the same one over and over again. The school has invested in some lovely new books for our book corners. These are for your child to take home for their readers as well as read at school. Your child may bring one home with a 'read to me' book mark. Enjoy reading this to your child, talk about the pictures and any interesting words that you may come across. Please make sure that all school books get put back in their book folders each day so that they don't get lost and can be returned for other children to read.



Inquiry Topic

This term the children are excited to be studying dinosaurs. We have been learning and developing our understanding across the curriculum. In maths we have been using a ruler and ourselves to measure and compare dinosaur length.



Below are some pictures of us making and measuring a paper chain which is as long as the longest dinosaur ever found (a Titanosaurus Argentinosaurus). This dinosaur was an enormous 40 metres long.



Dinosaur poems

