Year Two
Newsletter
Week 7 – Friday 29th August, 2014

What’s Coming Up

- Monday 1st September Science Week
- Thursday 18th September The Patch Showcase
- Friday 19th September End of Term 3
- Thursday 16th October Grade 2 Sleepover

Grade 2 Sleepover

Due to the overwhelming response, Grade 2 will be having a sleepover at school on Thursday October 16th. We are all very excited. The cost will be $20. The permission note and money is due back at school by Wednesday 10th September.

What we are learning in Literacy and Numeracy

In Literacy we are working on:

- Writing science procedures.
- Publishing skills using powerpoint on the computer.
- Double vowel sounds e.g ou.

In Numeracy we are working on:

- Time- o’clock/ half past
- Division
- Problem Solving

This term the grade 2 students have been working on a project about dinosaurs. This project will be completed mostly in class time. Each child has chosen 3 dinosaurs and begun to do some research. They will make a powerpoint and present this to the class at the end of term. Children are free to do extra work on this project at home if they wish. They may like to make a model out of lego, do some drawings, make a book etc to support their learning about dinosaurs. If you have any questions don’t hesitate to ask.
Spelling

HELP NEEDED

Thank you to those Mums who have been kindly giving up their Friday mornings to help us with spelling. We desperately need extra help particularly in 2B. If you are free on Friday morning for an hour we would love you to come and test the children on their spelling words and help create new lists for the following week. It would be a huge help to us. Thank you 😊

Showcase- Major Fundraiser

Our School Showcase will be held on September 18th at Discovery Church in Mt Evelyn. We will be performing a matinee as well as an evening performance. A note about purchasing tickets will come home this week- Adults $20 Child $10.

The Grade 2 students will be performing ‘Nits’- the untold story. Our choice to use this topic for the showcase was meant to be a light-hearted and funny view on head lice to amuse and entertain. The story of the nits has originated from a state-wide performance called Wakikirri, where students from primary schools write their own story and performance. We began planning this in term 1 and used this idea to base our performance for this year’s showcase. Children are enjoying the showcase practice and understand the humour. Head lice are a part of our lives at school and most of us have come into contact with them in some way. We apologise if anyone has taken offence. Please come and speak to us if you have further concerns.

Science Week

Next week, Monday 1st – Friday 5th September is Science Week at the Patch Primary.

As part of our celebration of science, there will be lots of science taking place in the classroom and to kick the week off, Monday will see all students from Prep to Year 6 involved in a Science-based Rotation day. All students will have the opportunity to participate in at least 4 different activities based on what they have been learning in physical science throughout this term. Some of the activities will include designing a roller coaster using ICT, sound exploration, creating parachutes and many other diverse learning tasks.

All the activities will be facilitated by classroom teachers with rotations occurring within Grades 3 – 6 and Grade P – 2 classrooms. Be sure to keep an eye out for photos of this wonderful event in future newsletters and on our website!