

Early Stage 1 Overview

Term 2 2012



Literacy

Reading: Students will participate in The Jolly Phonics program, where they will continue to learn the sounds used in the English language. Students will continue with The L3 (Language, Learning and Literacy) Program, where they will be involved in daily guided reading activities. Children will also be involved in a variety of modelled and independent reading activities.

Writing: Students will do explicit handwriting lessons using NSW Foundation Handwriting. They will be involved in daily writing activities involving modelled, guided and independent activities.

Talking and Listening: Students will be participating in news groups and class discussions focussing on using formal language. Children are encouraged to follow the weekly topic lists given at the beginning of each term.

Mathematics

In Early Stage 1, there is a strong emphasis on the language used in Mathematics. Students will count forward and backwards in the range of 0-30 and represent numbers to 20 with objects, pictures, numerals and words. They will learn to recognise, describe, create and continue repeating patterns.

Students will use the language of money and learn about 2D and 3D shapes. They will do simple grouping and sharing activities and model addition and subtraction problems. Students will compare different lengths, areas, volumes and capacities. Mathematical learning also takes place in craft activities and developmental play.

HSIE

Kindergarten will be studying the unit "ME" where students will explore their lives and special characteristics. The unit focuses on students' backgrounds, past experiences and memories.

PDHPE

PE

Students will participate in modified games involving the basic fundamental skills

Drug Education

Students will be involved in learning about the safe use and storage of medicines.

Science and Technology

Kindergarten will be studying the unit "Hot and Cold"

Computer – Students will use the computer room on a weekly basis and will also use them within the classroom setting.

Creative Arts

Students will do art and craft activities associated with HSIE units and Literacy.

Students will be given the opportunity to sing and move to music throughout their school day.

Students will do drama activities associated with Literacy, HSIE and PD.

Library

Kindergarten classes will have Library lessons on Monday. They will continue to borrow and return books on a weekly basis.

Dates to remember

- 3rd May-School Photos
- 24th May-Teddy Bear Reading Day (more information to follow closer to this day)
- 1st June: K-2 Cross Country on the school grounds

Homework

Home readers will be sent home at the beginning of week 2.

Starting Week 4 Kindergarten students will receive homework sheets directly associated with Literacy and Numeracy. It will be handed out on Monday and needs to be returned by Friday of the same week.

