



Grade 2 News

A Fantastic Start to 2017

What a fantastic beginning to the school year for 2017. The first week back commenced with our 'Start Right at Regency' program which fostered all students building relationships with their teachers and peers as well as establishing connections to their learning in the classroom and as a whole school.



We are looking forward to a very exciting year ahead, full of many new learning experiences. The students have settled into school routines and are looking forward to a productive year.

Same – Different – Hooray!

During this term, we are exploring the concept of Social Justice with a focus on multiculturalism and the development of empathy, understanding and interest in those from different cultures. Students will be participating in a range of activities including cooking, investigating celebrations and traditional games.



Play is the Way



This year our school will continue to implement the Play is the Way program. Students will participate in a wide variety of games and activities aimed at developing and improving social and emotional skills. These will form part of our weekly program. The games and activities throughout these sessions are designed to:

- Develop positive social behaviour.
- Highlight the benefits of managing emotions and working together.
- Develop optimism and the ability to bounce back.
- Encourage self-motivation and the capacity to persevere.
- Provide fun, excitement and challenge.

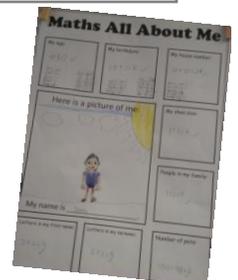
This term we will be focusing on:

'Treat others as you would like to be treated'



Important Dates

Tues 21 st February	Grade 1/2 Information Evening 6pm
Mon 13 th March	Labour Day (no school)
Thurs 16 th March	School Photos
Fri 17 th March	Community Night
Thurs 24 th March	End of Term 1



Classroom Behaviour

We are all making positive choices. These are some of our agreed expectations:

I will behave sensibly knowing I am responsible for my own behaviour and the choices I make.

I will treat others with kindness and respect.

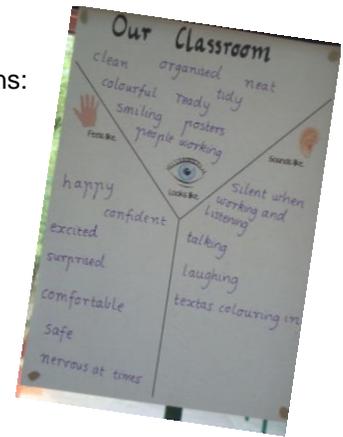
I will respect the belongings of the class and others.

I will behave safely and keep my hands and feet to myself.

I will use good manners; "Excuse me" "Please" "Thank you" "You're Welcome" "I'm Sorry"

I will work hard and concentrate on learning tasks.

I will cooperate with others both in and out of the classroom.



Diaries

Diaries are a great way to communicate messages to and from school. Please ensure the diary is returned to school each day in your child's green bag. Please check the diary daily as this is where we will communicate with you if needed. If you need to make a time to see your child's teacher, please write a note in the diary and we will schedule it as soon as possible. Nightly reading will also be recorded in the diary (see below).

Absences on Compass

Don't forget that if your child is absent from school for any reason it is a requirement that you log the absence on Compass. Please refer to your Compass log in details. Please come and see the office if you need any assistance.

Green Bags

Please ensure green bags are returned to school each day. The diary, notices and take home books travel to and from school in here.

Reading

Reading is such an important life skill. All students are expected to read nightly for 10 minutes and have their reading recorded (title of book) and signed by an adult in their diary. Books will be selected by students from their allocated book box. This will be checked daily by the classroom teacher. This will begin in Week 3 (13/2)



What a fantastic start to the year!
We are looking forward to a fantastic 2017 in Grade 2!
The Grade 2 Team