

# Junior Primary

# Information Session 2017

## Other Things to Remember



## ***Home Studies***

The Junior Primary (JP) Home Studies program supports the learning that is taking place in the classroom each day. It is an opportunity for families to work with their students to further practise the skills that they are learning at school. The JP Home Studies program will focus on Reading and Spelling and will commence early in Term 1.

## ***Home Readers***

Readers are chosen to suit your child's reading ability and comprehension skills. They should be easy enough for the child to read with fluency, expression and deep understanding. This year readers will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

All JP children will have a READING RECORD BOOK. This will tell you your child's Home Reader Level. Please record the title of your child's readers each week and sign once they have completed them. The class teacher and learning assistant will check these regularly.

## ***Reading Eggs***

In JP, all students will have access to *Reading Eggs* and *Reading Eggspress* at home and school. These are both highly beneficial and enjoyable programs to develop and extend your child's literacy skills.

## ***Parent Helpers***

We are thankful for Parent Helpers in the classroom, and on excursions and camps. This year, as part of our accreditation as a Child Safe School, all Parent Helpers will need to participate in a Child Safe training session and return the Acknowledgement sheet to the office. All Parent Helpers must also have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC) and register this at the School Office before committing to becoming a Parent Helper.

Areas that you may like to assist on a weekly basis in the classroom include:

- Numeracy Workshops (Tues, Weds and Thurs 11:30-1:00)
- 3pm Regular Readers (Listening to an individual student read from 3:00-3:15pm)
- Art (Friday 1:45-3:15)

## ***JP Housekeeping***

***Brain Food:*** Brain Food is at approximately 10am each day and gives the students an opportunity to have a healthy snack to give them an energy boost and allow sustained learning and concentration. Brain food is either a raw or dried fruit or vegetable or a nut snack.

***Banking:*** Student banking is available – for enquiries please contact the School Office. Banking books are to be brought to school each Wednesday.

***Boomerang Bags:*** All correspondence, readers, notices etc. from the classroom and home will use the Boomerang Bag. Please ensure your child's name is clearly written on their Boomerang Bag and that it is brought to school every day.

***Drink Bottle:*** We encourage students to have a drink bottle filled with water to be used in the classroom each day.

**Hats:** It is compulsory to wear a broadbrim hat during Terms 1 & 4. Please ensure your child's hat is clearly named. Children without a hat will not be able to participate in outside activities.

**Show & Tell:** A class roster and weekly focus list was sent home in the first week of term. Show & Tell encourages listening and growing in confidence at speaking in front of others clearly. We look forward to hearing each child share with their peers.

**Tissues:** Please send in a box of tissues during the term for your child's class. Thank you.

**VIP:** The VIP program is a wonderful way to celebrate each student within the class. Each student will have an opportunity to be the class VIP throughout the year. VIPs will enjoy special privileges throughout the week, including an opportunity to enjoy a special morning tea with our Principal, Mrs Sketcher.

Please see your child's teacher if you have any queries, questions or concerns. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning with our amazing JP students!

Blessings,

Mrs Kaye Smith, Miss Vivienne Theunissen, Miss Fiona Murray and Mrs Rachel Harrison.  
**Junior Primary Teachers 2017**