Henry Building News

28th January 2021

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Welcome back to school after the summer holidays and a very special welcome to all our new families starting at East Torrens Primary School. Henry building is looking forward to an exciting year! This year students are lucky enough to have 3 teachers across the 2 classrooms. H23 has Alison Shaw (Mon. Tue. Wed. Thur) and Di Tyney (Fri) and H22 has Ngaire Ritchie (Mon. Tue. Wed. Fri) and Di Tyney (Thur).

The children will be working together inside and outside the classroom throughout the term.



<u>Blue Bags</u> Blue bags need to be purchased from the front office for \$10. These are a school requirement. School

notes are placed inside the bag for you to read. Please check daily and remove handouts. Library books will be transported in these bags. Sight words and sounds- over the next weeks children will start bringing home sound books and sight word books to practice each night. Readers- Readers will come home from Term 2. In the next few weeks we will be sending home story books to share with your family.

We would also appreciate if you packed your child a spare set of clothes for accidents or getting wet during nature play (any clothes are suitable if you do not have a spare uniform). Can you please make sure that all of your child's belongings are labelled, this will help stop lost items.



<u>Please send children to school with some brain</u> <u>food. recess. lunch and a drink bottle with</u> <u>water.</u>

Children bring in their lunchboxes and drink bottles and put them on the bookshelf. We eat barin food at 9:15. We sit as a class to eat recess and lunch. Recess can be a small item of food which can be eaten quickly at 10:30am. Lunchtime is at 12:30 although for the first few weeks we will eat at 12:20 to give the children an extra 10 minutes for eating. Remember you are more than welcome to pick your child up at lunch if they are getting tired.

Children are required to wear hats when outside. If your child does not have a hat they will need to purchase one from the office for \$10. <u>Children leave their hats at school in their</u> <u>trays.</u> At the end of the term hats are washed at school ready for the next term. Please ensure your child is wearing enclosed shoes for running and playing.

The first two weeks at school we will be learning about school values and our class's routines. Our school values are: Excellence, Respect, Community and Empathy. We will learn about being a good friend, getting to know each other and establishing classroom routines.



<u>Specialist Lessons</u>

<u>H23</u>	<u>H22</u>
Monday and	Monday and
Tuesday – Science	Thursday – PE with
with Mr Johnson	Mr Thom
Wednesday- PE with	Tuesday and Friday
Mr Thom	– Science with Mr
Thursday – Italian	Johnson
with Miss Rachel	Wednesday – Italian
Friday – PE with	with Miss Rachel
Miss Rachel	

Events for the term:

- <u>Acquaintance Night</u> Tuesday 9–2–2021)
- <u>Pupil Free Day (Week 5 Monday 22–2–2021)</u>
- <u>Public Holiday</u> (Week 7 Monday 8–3–2021)
- <u>Sports Day</u> (Week 9 Friday 26–3–2021)
- <u>Pupil Free Day (Week 10 Thursday 1-4-2021)</u>
- <u>Good</u> Friday (Week 10 Friday 2-4–2021)
- Easter Monday (Week II Monday 5-4-2021)
- <u>Last Day of Term, early dismissal and Casual</u>
 <u>Day</u> (Week II Friday 9–4–2021)

<u>Just a few quick notes</u>

- Please help us to encourage independence in your child by letting them unpack their bags themselves.
- Please do not park in the staff car parks.
 Parents are able to park on the side streets unless you hold a 2021 East Torrens parking permit.
- Notes about seesaw will come home soon
 via your child or via your email. This is
 an online communication app where we

can share your child's learning and what the class is doing.

- Sports Day is this term, in the next few weeks you will find out what colour/team your child is in.
- Show and Tell will begin in Week 4. You will be notified of your child's day in week 3.

Things to remember:

• Wheels Wednesday is on Wednesdays, children are allowed to bring their bikes or scooters and <u>helmets</u> to play with at lunchtime. They are locked in the bike shed on the quad the rest of the day.



We are looking forward to a fun and exciting term!

Thankyou Alison Shaw. Ngaire Ritchie and Di Tyney