

Welcome to M3

Term 1 2021

Y1/Y2

Mrs Bourne



Dear Families and Caregivers,

Welcome back to East Torrens Primary School. I hope you had a lovely safe holiday with your children. Please remember to check the Seesaw app, Skoolbag and communication book for photos and information. We have 20 wonderful children in M3 this term.

Brain food, water, hygiene - Please provide your child with some healthy brain food each day. Thank you to parents that cut up food as it saves time in class. We eat brain food early in the morning. Please provide a full bottle of water each day. They are encouraged to take a drink regularly. Please remind your child that they must wash hands and use classroom soap, covering any cough or sneeze. Please stay home if sick.

Uniform - Correct uniform and hats can be bought at the uniform shop. Please wear sensible shoes. It is a good idea to tie up long hair. Please put names on all clothing and belongings. Providing spare clothes in the bag may be a good idea. Please check asthma puffers are in school and in date. No phones or smart watches in class.

Recess /lunch food - Children need a small healthy snack for recess and a small healthy lunch every day. We only have 10 minutes to eat before we go out to play. Please remember to pack cutlery and name all containers. We cannot heat up food.

Reading folder bag - Please check it and return it every day. You can buy folders from the school shop. Inside the folder bag should be the Communication Book, school readers and Homework book. Sometimes there will be a library book or loose letters. Children are encouraged to read before 9am each morning. Please read the books together at home during the week. They will get new books every Tuesday if the old books are returned. We are able to communicate via the communication book as well as with Seesaw.

Toys - Please do not bring toys to school as they can get lost.

Bring yourself !!!! Regular Attendance is so important. School starts at **8:40am**. When students arrive late they miss reading and spelling lessons. Reading time is before the roll which is sent to the office at 9am. Please contact the school on 8331411 or write a message in the Communication Book. This will save you receiving an SMS from the office. For unexplained absences we will place a sticker in the Communication Book which needs to be filled in and returned the next day so the office can record it on EDSAS. Attendance has improved at East Torrens Primary School. If your child is late then they need to get a late slip from the office before coming to class.

Pick Up Due to Covid restrictions please remember to collect your child at 3pm from the school gate and limit your time visiting the class only if you really need to.

Learning Program for Term 1

Class Theme- Our theme is **Place - School**. It will cover the HASS curriculum looking at features, changes, caring for school, maps, flags and photos. We will compare school today with school in the past.

Maths (Number, time and calendar). The children will learn through practical activities, problem solving, using strategies and building vocabulary. As they will use materials, white boards, storybooks, mental routines and discussion to explain their thinking and reasoning, not all their maths is recorded in a maths book.

English

- Daily reading and oxford sight words. Phonological awareness activities and reading strategies.
- Reading Eggs program on chrome books.
- Phonics Learning letters that make the same sound through explicit instruction and study of storybooks with the sounds. Revision of Jolly Phonics.
- Spelling group activities using phonics through storybooks and sight words.
- Sharing time, discussions, songs and rhymes to improve oral language.
- Big books and stories, including a library visit each Tuesday. Book making.
- Writing Genre- descriptive writing
- Grammar- adjectives and sentence structure.
- Intervention-support for EALD children and Reading intervention.
- Handwriting

Child Protection

- Feelings Re department child protection program

ICT

- Chrome books

Specialist Subjects Italian (Thursday), P.E.(Thursday, Friday) Science (Tuesday, Wednesday).

H.A.S.S.

- Places - School
- Special days- Harmony, Easter, Chinese New Year, birthdays

Important Dates

Acquaintance Night 9th Feb

Pupil Free Day 22nd Feb (possible)

Adelaide Cup Bank Holiday 8th March

HarmonyDay 22nd March

Sports Day 26th March

Pupil free Day 1st April

Easter 2nd -5th April

Early Dismissal 9th April



If you have any questions please contact me through the office, with Seesaw or write in the Communication Book.

Kind Regards Linda Bourne.