



EASTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Year 2 Term 3 Overview 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 3 in Year 2. We hope the children had a restful break and are excited and ready to commence Semester 2.

This term in **Science we will be exploring the unit of work titled "Playground Pests"** Students will have the opportunity to observe, research and record the habits and behaviours of the creatures we find in our Eastwood school playground. We will work independently and in addition, utilise team work strategies to observe, classify and make scientific predictions. In **Art** the children will be using their science unit as inspiration to draw, paint or create artworks.

For the curriculum area of **English**, the students will continue working with the Sound Waves spelling program. They will be reading multimodal texts and writing informative and descriptive texts about familiar and new topics while concurrently making links across the curriculum.

Mathematics instruction will focus on investigations with fractions, whole numbers, addition and subtraction mental computation strategies, time and estimating and measuring the volume and mass of objects.

PDH&PE

Our own specialist teachers, Mrs Farrant and Mrs Morrow will continue to provide lessons that will develop the children's fundamental skills in Sport. Ms Brown and Mrs Forster will provide creative lessons in Music within the curriculum area of Creative Arts. We will also be incorporating drama lessons in the classroom.

Education Week

Education Week is a wonderful opportunity for NSW public schools to celebrate and connect with the parent body of their local community.

Tuesday 1st August in Week 3 is our **Open School Day**. It is an exciting event where you are able to observe your child in their classroom and participate in a variety of activities. The students of Eastwood Public School will also be performing a variety of dances in 'A' playground. You are invited to stay for morning tea with your child.

Art Show

As part of Education Week, the Eastwood Public School Art Exhibition will be on display in the school hall, from Tuesday 1st August, with the official opening on Thursday 3rd August from 5:00pm. Everyone is welcome to view the artworks throughout Education week. Students in each grade have been producing collaborative artworks which will be auctioned on opening night.



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Human Society and its Environment: Geography

This term Years 1 and 2 will be developing the use of geographical skills to study the features of places and the impact of weather in our local community. We love the introduction of this new development in our programs.

An exciting excursion to Taronga Zoo has been planned for the Year 2 cohort. It supports our studies in English, Science and Geography. A detailed information letter will be sent home closer to the event.

A reminder- Crunch and Sip

Crunch and Sip is a designated time during the day for children to refuel for extra energy and concentration needs, across the K-2 department and this will continue in Term 3. Please remember to provide your child with **fruit or a vegetable** and **water** to drink in the classroom.

Remind app

Stage One will continue to use the Remind App to communicate messages between home and school. The app allows parents to receive brief messages about what is happening at school in Year 2. The service is at no cost and completely voluntary. You simply need to install the Remind App (available for Apple and android devices) on your smartphone. During the setup process you will be asked to join a class. Use the class code eps-year2 (for Year 2). We will continue to use the newsletter, notes and the electronic sign as a means of communication.

Please make sure you visit the school website and read the school newsletter each week to keep up to date with school events.
<http://www.eastwood.nsw.edu.au/>

Dates to Remember

1/8: Open Day –Classroom Visits and Dance Performances

3/8: Art Show School Hall 5.00pm – concluding with auction at 6.30pm

15/8: Year 2 Host K-6 Assembly

26/8: Spring Fair

31/8: Taronga Zoo Excursion

4/9: Kindergarten Orientation Information 5.15 pm (for parents)

15/9: Kindergarten Orientation New Students Visit 9.15am (for students)

Thank you

Year 2 Teachers