Welcome to Year 5!

➢ 5B important Staff Members
  • Ms Sharon McFarlane – Principal
  • Ms Janine Patrick – Stage Three Assistant Principal
  • Miss Lisa Bath – Classroom Teacher, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
  • Miss Katrina O’Neill – 5B classroom teacher, Friday
  • Mrs Janis Milgate – SMO classroom teacher Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
  • Mr Mark Toohey – Release Teacher - PE
  • Mrs Julie Turton/ Mrs Amanda Wakely – LAST teacher
  • Mrs Ros Beard – Librarian

➢ Class timetable –

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To be added to timetable CAPA groups
➢ Lunch and Recess
LUNCH 11:10am – 11:50. RECESS 1:35pm-1:55pm

➢ Home Reading –
The children all have a home reading log. Children can borrow books from the library or read book from home. Please fill out the home reading log when your child has read to you for at least 5 – 10 min each night. Reading every night is essential to gain strong literacy skills.

➢ Homework-
The weekly homework will be handed out on Monday. Each student needs a homework book as per the equipment list handed to students in week 2. Homework will include a spelling list to practice and some questions relating to mathematics, grammar, reading or writing. Mathletics and Reading Eggs will also be set for each student. Please ensure your child returns their completed homework on Friday. Completing regular homework is a skill that is crucial for children in high school. Sitting down each afternoon and completing a homework task can help practice this skill. Homework is an agreement between a child and their parents. In SMO homework will be provided during most weeks of the school year.

➢ Literacy Pro (used to be called Lexile) reading levels–
Books are leveled in the library to ensure your child borrows a book that is at their ability level.

➢ Crunch and Sip –
SMO will be having a scheduled fruit break everyday. Please ensure your child has a small piece of fresh fruit or vegetables every day and a drink bottle (not a screw top bottle) filled with water.

➢ Allergies –
Please let us know about any allergies or food intolerances your children have. No matter how insignificant we need to be informed.
Assembly –
The Primary assembly will be held every fortnight at 11:50am in the school hall. Parents, family members and friends are most welcome to come along and watch. You will be notified in the newsletter when our class will perform.

Big Picture Friday –
SMO students will be creating a project based around a theme every Friday for 4 weeks. They choose the form their project will take for example, a poster, a model, a dance, a storybook etc. Students may bring materials from home if they have their parent’s permission to do so. On the fifth week the children will present their projects.

Our school and classroom rules –
- Respect and Be Fair
- Listen
- Hand up and wait
- Work quietly
- Stay seated

Each student and parent should read through the Warners Bay Public School bullying policy together. All children should feel safe at school. Please sign the bullying policy after you have had a conversation with your child about it and return it to school. It is crucial that you regularly discuss the importance of treating people with respect and kindness and communicate with your child about their life at school.

Year Five for your child will be a year of opportunity, discovery and most importantly responsibility. We will endeavor to prepare them for the emotional, academic and social changes that will occur in Year Six. I hope we can communicate with each parent freely about the needs and issues that will indefinitely occur.

Regards
Lisa Bath