

CLASS MATTERS

**WEEK 4
TERM 1
2021**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to welcome everyone to Blaxcell Street Public School for the start of another fantastic year of learning. We have had an excellent start to the year already and I take this opportunity to personally thank parents for their understanding, support and flexibility. A special welcome to all our new kindergarten parents and students.

I would like to sincerely thank the staff for assisting in a highly organised and efficient start to the year. Many staff members gave up their holiday time to attend school and prepare for the year; this is greatly appreciated. This is another example of the dedication and commitment our staff have for our students. I would like to publicly acknowledge our General Assistant, Mr Neville Thorley for his tireless efforts over the holiday period. He is an invaluable asset to our school and is highly committed to ensuring our students have an outstanding learning environment.

Student attendance is a priority and I ask for strong parent support in this area. Furthermore, please ensure that your child(ren) arrive at school between **8:30-8:57am** each morning. Arriving late may negatively impact the development and achievement of your child(ren). Again, I thank you for the continued support with attendance. I also take this opportunity to remind parents that **no child should be at school before 8:30am.**

Finally, I would like to thank students, staff and the community for the on-going support. I am privileged to lead Blaxcell Street Public School and I look forward to sharing the 2021 learning journey with you all. We are all strongly committed to our school vision; **at Blaxcell Street Public School, every student must achieve success.**

Regards,
Mr Zahra

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS



Welcome parents, students and community members, I hope you had an amazing school holiday break and are ready for the great year ahead. All grade and specialist teams have been very busy preparing for the year's curriculum, as well as programs and events to support all students' academic, social emotional and physical development from Kindergarten to Year 6. It has been lovely to see lots of familiar faces back at school and we have been lucky to meet many new students, including our kindergarten students.

Each morning, we have the pleasure of seeing how mature and grown up students are, as they bravely walk across the playground waving bye to their parents. With big smiles they head to lines and classrooms ready and eager to learn and make new friends.

We look forward to your continued support and partnership.

Jessica Nguyen
R/Deputy Principal (K-2)

Michelle Towns
Deputy Principal (3-4)

Cathy Wilton
Deputy Principal (5-6)

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KB

KB are settling in so well to the school! Two things KB are amazing at are crafting and counting. Here we have used their beautiful apple artworks to showcase some of the numbers we feel confident counting with.

Mrs Branco



KG

KG has had a wonderful start to the year and have settled nicely into the routine of learning. Here we are sorting sentence strips and writing about colours.

Miss Ghaleb



KJ

KJ is learning new school rules by being safe, respectful and learners. KJ enjoyed participating in literacy lessons by exploring activities that bring learning opportunities in writing, reading and fine motor skills.

Ms Jeong



KK

After learning the nursery rhyme 'Baa, baa black sheep', students in KK created an artwork of a sheep with black wool made from crepe paper.

Ms Kassem

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KL

Everyone in KL is doing a great job settling into Kindergarten. We are making new friends, finding our way around our big school and learning new things everyday. It is sure to be an exciting year.

Mrs Reed & Mrs Melisi



KV

We have had a great start to the year! We have been happily learning daily routines and have loved making new friends.

Just a reminder for parents to please pack a library bag and paint shirt.

Miss Vuong



1A

1A are settling into Year 1 well, making friendships and learning new things. This week, in our art lesson, we learnt how to draw a self portrait, look at some of our amazing artworks!

Miss Anderson



1C

The students of 1C have transitioned beautifully into Year 1. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for ensuring that their children were prepared with learning resources. Looking forward to an eventful year!

Ms Chahal

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1H

Welcome to our classroom! 1H have had a fantastic start to 2021! We have learnt a lot about each other & are having a great time beginning our Year 1 learning journey! Look at our morning routine this week. Awesome work guys! Take note of the key days for 1H library and sport. The library day for 1H is Wednesday and our sport day is Thursday. Please remember to wear the correct school uniform and shoes.

Ms Houchar



1J

This week 1J enjoyed getting to know each other in class and are beginning to form new friendships!

Please remember to bring your hat to school so we can be sun safe.

Mrs Johnston



1S

Our first day together - we are excited for year 1!

Sport and library day is Thursday.

Miss Su



1V

This week in 1V, we have been practicing spelling our camera words as part of our guided reading activities.

Miss Vuong

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2A

2A are ready to learn! This week, 2A enjoyed the beautiful weather and decided to complete their math's work outside. They were super proud to display their impressive math's skills to the rest of BSPS. Well done 2A :)

Miss Abid



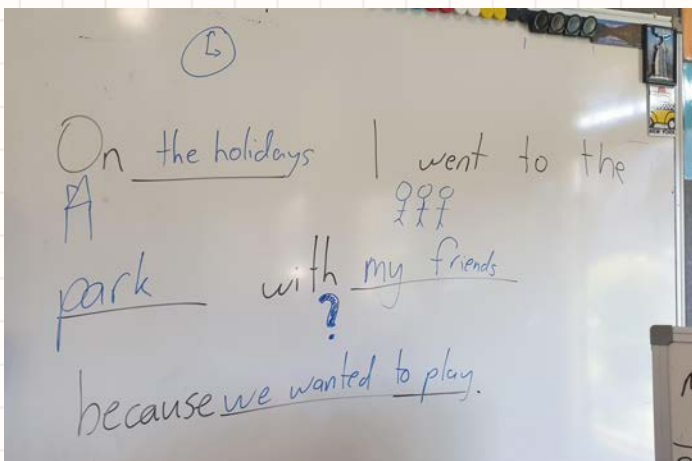
2E

What a great start to year 2!

2E has jumped back into their learning and have adjusted to their new class and teacher beautifully. This week we have done lots of revision and practice of classroom routines :)

Please remember that our library day is Friday.

Ms Esmek



2J

2J have had an amazing start to the term! We are working hard with our Maths and Writing work, producing recounts on a trip to the park.

Remember 2J that our Library day is on Monday and Sport is on Wednesday :)

Mr Economou



2M

2M have settled well into 2021! We have been working towards being safe, respectful learners and learning our new routines. We have been writing recounts about going to the park and have learnt lots of new park vocabulary words!

Miss Skinner

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2S

It is great being back at school ! We have already made new friends, settled into Year 2 routines and are now working towards new targets and goals. By the way we love our room under the library!!

Mrs Stormer



3D

3D have been learning about so many new and exciting things! We're learning to write to persuade and we also completed the Literacy Pro test on the computers. It's been a great start to 2021!

Reminder :we have library every odd week.

Miss Dandashli



3K

Students of 3K working hard during morning routine! We have an exciting year ahead of us and I can't wait to share all the wonderful learning that takes place in our classroom!

Miss Kiran



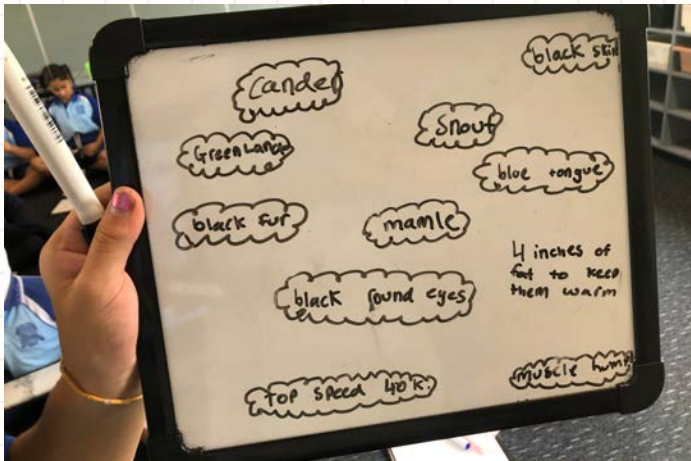
3M

3M have had a fantastic start to Year 3! We have been learning about why Polar Bears are endangered. Everyone did an amazing job learning the new block planner and chant :) I am so proud of you all!

Don't forget our library day is on Monday, even weeks

Miss Mourad

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3S

3S have been working on building our schema of polar bears, learning about their body parts, countries they live in and fun facts.

Ms Nguyen



3Y

Welcome to Year 3! This week 3Y looked at working as a team. In groups we needed to use our skills to solve a problem. We all worked together and learnt the value of team work. 3Y can't wait to meet their new teacher Miss Younan!

A Reminder that Library is on every even Thursday.

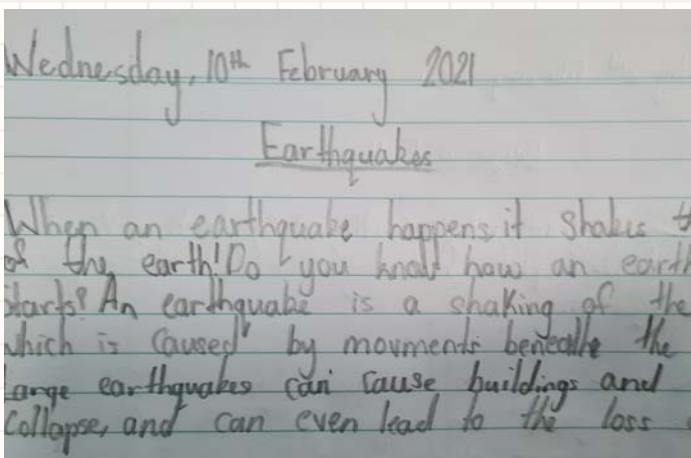
Mrs Grima



4D

In Science this term Year 4 are learning about how the Earth's surface changes overtime as a result of natural processes and human activity. In 4D this week we began investigating the different layers of soil.

Miss Dandashli



4L

In 4L, we have been learning to write an introduction for our information report that really hooks a reader in!

Did you know, the largest recorded earthquake in the world had a magnitude of 9.5 in Chile on May 22, 1960?

Mr Lia

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4N

4N finished this week with some Visual Arts. They used a range of natural materials to create name art, whilst listening to relaxing Chinese zen music. A nice, quiet end to a busy Week 3! Keep up the fantastic work, 4N!

Please remember to bring in your home learning and library bags on odd weeks!

Miss Najjarine



4R

4R have been working super hard so far, and have set goals to achieve by the end of the year. We all wrote letters to our future self and will receive them on the last day of Year 4. We cannot wait to see how much we have grown!

Library: Even weeks

3-6 Sport: Starts this Friday (Week 4)

Ms Rifai & Ms Houzeife



4T

It has been a great pleasure to welcome all students into 4T. In 4T we have been working together to build a rapport and create harmonious relationships. We are having an unbeLEAFable time in 4T!

Reminder: Library is odd weeks on Thursday.

Miss Tageddine



5A

5A has had a fantastic start to 2021. History has taken us back to early Australia and Science has helped us look deeper into the Solar System. Can't wait to see what is in store next!

A reminder that 5A has library every odd week this term on a Tuesday (Weeks 3, 5, 7 and 9). Be sure to bring along your library bag for borrowing. Looking forward to seeing many consistent borrowers in 5A!
Ms Abdulkader

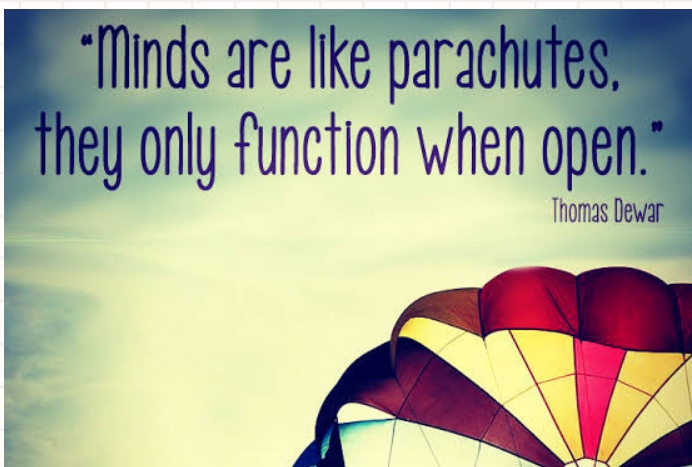
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5E

5E are investigating the structure of persuasive texts. Our aim is to persuade someone to play netball! Students wrote an interesting title and an introduction. Wish us luck for our TEEL paragraphs!

Miss El Mir



5I

5I have had a great first few weeks. Everyone has settled in and is engaged in learning. These first few weeks have been an important time to develop clear expectations. I'm excited for a great year of learning with you all.

Library: Wednesday every fortnight (odd weeks). Please remember to bring your library bag so you can borrow.

Miss Iorfino



5J

We had been waiting earnestly for this day to come. The day finally arrived and we met our kind teacher, Miss Jenner. We got to meet the year 6 OC students who gave us a tour around the school. As we got used to class routines, we started to read an inspirational book called Nanberry. We also learned how to build a deep schema by doing morning routine. Although year 5 hasn't finished, I'm sure that we will have an excellent two years at Blaxcell Street Public School!

Elijah Weng and Kayvis Lan5J

5S

5S have had a great start to 2021, settling into routines and the high expectations required from Stage 3. PSSA will begin this Friday, please return your notes as soon as possible. Reminder, library is to take place every second Tuesday starting from 16/02/21. Accordingly, please ensure material library bags are brought to school on those dates. Just a reminder that black shoes need to be worn Monday to Thursday.

Mrs Sol

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5W

5W have been having a great time getting to know each other over the last couple of weeks. We have been learning a lot of new and exciting things. Thanks for being an amazing class, 5W.

Miss Wilson



6A

6A are practicing their portraiture skills for the Young Archie competition. Our budding artist Abigeal showed us how to draw different features of the face. We can't wait to show you our final pieces.

Miss Boyle



6B

6B have hit the ground running this year. They are highly motivated and ready to tackle a year of learning. This week they have had a lot of fun working through problem solving and investigating directional integers.

Mrs Alca



6C

In 6C we have started off our year settling into new routines and getting to know one another. We are super excited for the year ahead and all the experiences that Year 6 participates in as part of our last year in primary school.

HSIE excursion notes due ASAP - First in best dressed sorry. HSIE assignment. Choose your significant Australian. Library on Thursday.

Mr Cavanagh

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6H

6H have hit the ground running! There are so many wonderful things happening this year and we can not wait.

Mrs Hanley

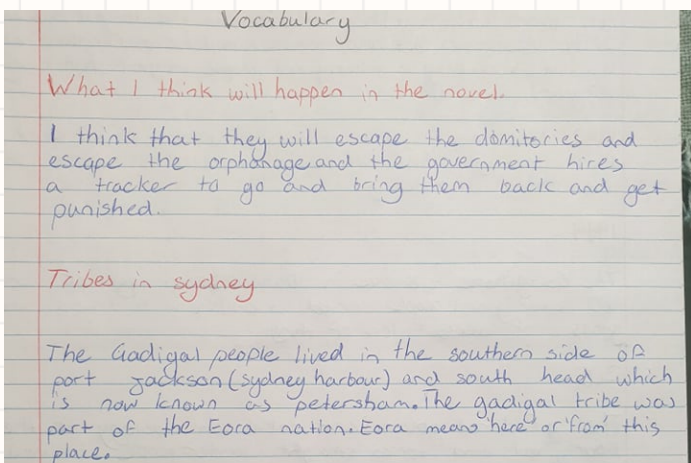


6M

6M has started 2021 off with a bang! We have already learnt so many new things about the Stolen Generation, and how to use this information in an informative text. 6M is looking forward to a great year together!

Our Library day is every Monday each fortnight (starting from the 15th February)

Miss McKinn



6S

6S has been learning about significant events in Australian history. We have been learning about the stolen generation and reading Rabbit-Proof Fence.

Ms Sedarous



YEAR 1 NUMERACY GROUPS

This week in numeracy groups, Year 1 have been busy learning to add using counters. The students have worked super hard adding single digit numbers.

Mrs Liu

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YEAR 2 LITERACY GROUPS

A great start to Year 2 Literacy groups! These enthusiastic students have already settled into a learning routine, focusing on phonemes, blending and reading books incorporating these phonemes. Keep up the great work!

Mr Cioffi

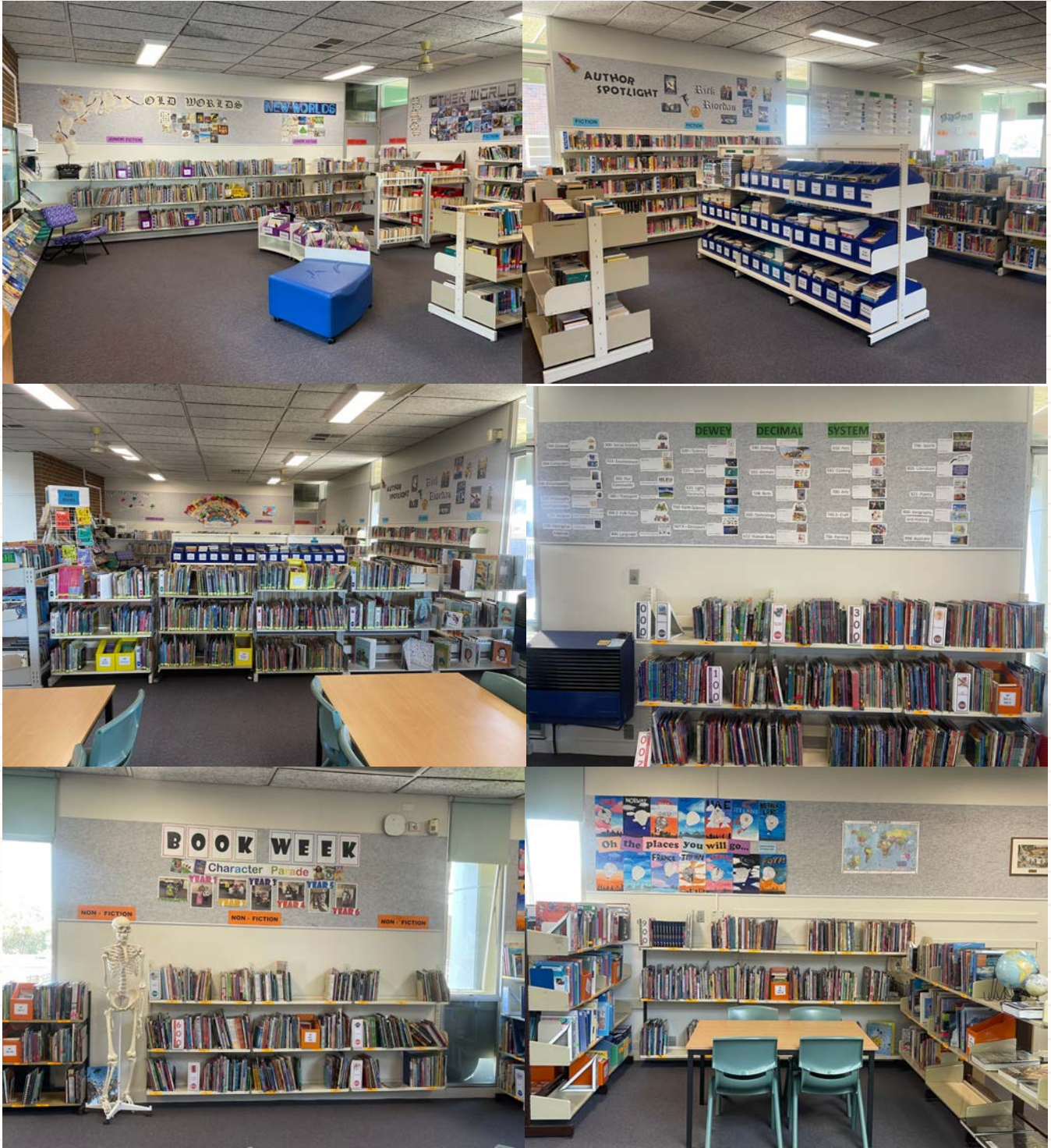


COMMUNITY LANGUAGE - ARABIC

Hello everyone and thank you all for the warm welcome over the last two weeks. It feels great to be back home after 8 years away. I heard some amazing things about the Arabic program at BSPS and I am very excited about 2021!

Mr Zereka

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LIBRARY

Welcome back to Library! Check out our amazing learning spaces!

Students are able to visit the library during lunchtime to play on the computers, draw or play with a variety of fun games. Check out your computer day at the library

Mrs Abed Ali & Mrs Webb

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FROM THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Re: Blaxcell Street School Uniform and Healthy Meals.

I hope you have all had a great start to the year.

I would like to communicate some important information to ensure we work together to keep up the high standard of education for our students that we value in our community.

As a school community, we are very proud of our exceptional high standard of school uniform. Wearing the correct full school uniform including plain black shoes is a key way of developing a sense of togetherness among students but we will need your assistance to make that happen.

Please remind your child to wear full school uniform each day. Please ensure your child has plain black shoes. **NB: Plain Black Shoes must not have colours on them.**

Students who are not wearing plain black school shoes will be reminded about school uniform policy and asked to wear black shoes the next day they come to school. A friendly phone call will be made to the parent/caregiver followed by a note sent home.

Re: Healthy Meals

All students deserve the opportunity to be successful, happy and healthy. Providing and promoting healthy foods plays an important role in the academic success of students.

Breakfast:

Starting with a good breakfast before school is a great way to ensure your child has the best start to the day.

Crunch and Sip:

We encourage you to please continue sending a piece of fruit or vegetables and a bottle of water each day for 'Crunch and Sip'.

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Lunch and Recess:

Lunch - Please continue to pack your child a healthy lunch as well as a snack.

Recess - Please continue to pack a healthy snack.

We kindly request your assistance with the above matters and if there is anything you need please feel free to contact me any time.

Lost Property

Please write the name of your child on school hats, jackets, lunch boxes and water bottles. It helps to return them to your child when they are found. There's an area for lost property near the office. If your child loses something come and check with the office staff. It may save you a lot of money.

Example of correct school uniform:



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Our School Uniforms



