

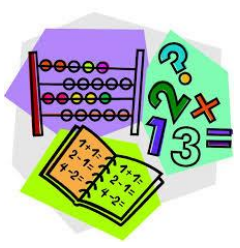


Dear Parents,





Welcome to 2017, we hope you have had a lovely break and both you and your children are refreshed and ready to begin the New Year. This term will be very busy with lots of learning and getting used to the routines and expectations in Year 2.


We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

If you have any other queries or concerns please see your classroom teacher for clarification.

With thanks, Tayla Corrigan, Martin Eden, Sarah Galloway and Jacqui Wilson

<p>In Mathematics we will be focusing on:</p> <p><b>Number:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Place value knowledge up to 1000 and beyond</li> <li>Skip counting patterns</li> </ul> <p><b>Measurement and Geometry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2D and 3D shapes</li> <li>Calendars /months, days</li> </ul> <p><b>Statistics and Probability:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describing outcomes as likely or unlikely and some events as certain or uncertain</li> </ul> 		<p>In English we will be focusing on:</p> <p><b>Reading:</b></p> <p>CAFÉ (comprehension, accuracy, fluency and expanding vocabulary) strategies with a focus on:  <b>Predicting</b> (what might the story be about? What might happen next in the story?), using picture cues, connecting the text with personal experiences and using punctuation when reading  <b>and</b>  making a mental image (<b>visualisation</b>)</p> <p><b>Writing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transactional texts (letters, lists, invitations, cards)</li> <li>Recount (of events that have happened to you or other people)</li> <li>personal writing (interests, family, experiences)</li> </ul> <p><b>Language conventions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capital letters, time connectives, question marks, nouns</li> </ul> <p><b>Spelling:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>based on student needs</li> </ul> <p><b>Speaking and Listening:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole body listening skills</li> </ul> 	
<p>In Japanese we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the Setsubun festival</li> <li>Hinamatsuri festival – girls’ day</li> <li>the animal year they were born in and how to say it in Japanese</li> <li>recognising any similarities between their names and Japanese writing</li> <li>learning how to write Japan 日本</li> <li>revising songs, self introductions and practicing with each other in the classroom.</li> <li>creating a morfo on the ipads using their voice for the introduction</li> </ul>	<p>In Visual Arts we will be focusing on:</p> <p>Tearing and ripping, sketching (considering proportion, shape and texture) Zentangles, fringing, split images, geometric and free form shapes and layering</p>	<p>In Physical Education we will be focusing on:</p> <p>Improving their basic motor skills such as running, jumping, skipping, throwing, catching, kicking and rolling.</p> <p>Participating in basic games such as poison ball, tunnel ball, shuttle relays to work on cooperation and teamwork</p>	<p>In Performing Arts we will be focusing on:</p> <p>Keeping steady beat</p> <p>Performing rhythm patterns</p> <p>Recognising high and low sounds through playing and singing.</p> <p>Students creating melodic patterns using tuned instruments</p>
<p><b>Timetable</b></p> 	<p>School starts at 9.00am and finishes at 3.30pm (Recess 10.40am – 11.10am and Lunch 1.00pm – 1.50pm) Students are given time to eat their food, prior to going outside to play.</p>		
<p><b>Out of Hours</b></p>	<p>Students must <b>not</b> be left alone in the school yard before 8.45am or after 3.45pm. If you have to</p>		

<b>School Care -Camp Australia</b>	leave your child before or after these times on any day you must book them into after care as there is no yard supervision outside these times. The out of hours school program is run through Camp Australia. Bookings need to be made through their website.				
<b>After School Pick Up</b> 	If you are going to be late to pick up your child, please ring the office (ph. 95892619) to inform them. In unforeseen circumstances, your child will be taken to the office at 3.45pm by a teacher or yard duty staff. The office staff will phone you. If your child is going home with a friend or different family member, please remind your child and inform your class teacher.				
<b>Closing of school gates</b>	To assist with student safety and wellbeing, all school gates will be closed at 9.15am until 3.00pm. If you need to enter the school between these times please enter and exit through the office and sign in or out.				
<b>Specialists</b> 		<b>Year 2G</b>	<b>Year 2C</b>	<b>Year 2E</b>	<b>Year 2W</b>
	<b>Computers</b>	Friday	Thursday	Tuesday	Monday
	<b>Library</b>	Friday	Friday	Wednesday	Wednesday
	<b>Change take home books</b>	Monday	Monday	Monday	Tuesday
	<b>Performing Arts</b>	Thursday	Thursday	Monday	Monday
	<b>Physical Education</b>	Monday	Monday	Thursday	Thursday
	<b>Art</b>	Monday	Monday	Thursday	Thursday
	<b>Japanese</b>	Thursday	Thursday	Monday	Monday
<b>Homework: Reading/ writing at home</b>	<p>Reading should be an enjoyable experience for all family members. Make this a special time where you and your child are not distracted.</p> <p>It is expected students will read 4-5 times a week and that the books will be recorded in their reading log. Take home books are provided and children are also encouraged to borrow books from the school library. Please also make use of your local library.</p> <p>The 'Reading Trek' book, where books are logged, is to be returned every Monday/Tuesday for the teacher to check.</p> <p>Writing – please provide your child with writing materials, paper, glue and scissors to use at their leisure. Practise writing shopping lists, birthday cards or notes to friends.</p>				
<b>Nude food lunches</b> 	<p>All students are encouraged to bring 'nude food' lunches. A nude food lunch has no foil, gladwrap or any other packaging. Please unwrap and throw any rubbish out at home to help us significantly reduce the amount of rubbish scattered throughout our school. A labelled drink bottle containing water is highly encouraged.</p> <p>Nude food lunch boxes are available to purchase from our school office and most supermarkets have a range of options also.</p>				
<b>School Uniform</b>	<p>Our Beaumaris PS school uniform should be worn correctly and be in good condition. Please ensure all items of clothing are named and check the lost property cupboard near the Art Room for any missing items.</p> <p>Please ensure hair longer than shoulder length is tied up and hair accessories are school colours only. Jewellery is not part of the Beaumaris PS school uniform including coloured wrist and ankle bands. Students may only wear small stud earrings. School uniform is worn on excursions.</p> <p>All students will require a school hat until 1<sup>st</sup> May.</p>				
<b>Communication</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General information and upcoming events are published in <u>Stop Press</u>, our school newsletter. A link is emailed out to parents every Thursday and can be accessed via the Beaumaris Primary website. <a href="http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au/">http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au/</a> Please ensure you read our Stop Press every week. Links to other notices are also provided online. This link provides important information relation to school management, procedures and dates and highlight our exciting Learning and Teaching programs.</li> <li>Please check your child's seagull pocket of their schoolbag for any notices.</li> <li>The Year 2 communication board is located between the Art Room and the Japanese Room. You will find the current learning intentions, statement of intent and other relevant information for Year 2.</li> <li>Teachers will be outside their classrooms from 3.30pm-3.40pm each day so you can informally catch up with them. If you have a specific concern, please make an appointment with the class teacher.</li> <li><b>REMINDER:</b> All teachers are required at staff meetings and professional development sessions every Monday and Wednesday from 3.45pm so are unable to meet with you on these days. Teachers are also required at staff briefing every morning at 8:40am.</li> <li>Our Compass and Facebook page will also update parents to daily events and reminders.</li> </ul>				
<b>Absences</b>	If your child is absent, please email the office on <a href="mailto:beaumaris.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au">beaumaris.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</a> or the new link on our website and your class teacher will be alerted to their absence.				

	If not sent through by email, we still require written verification of student absence (not in the student diary). In addition to this, any students leaving the school before 3:30pm require an early leaver's pass to be collected at the office and presented to the classroom teacher. Students must be collected by an adult if leaving the school. Phone: 03 9589 2619
<b>Birthdays</b>	Children can bring a treat to share on their birthday – nut and egg free please!
<b>Parent Helpers</b> 	More information to follow.
<b>Parent Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 Parent Information Evening: Tuesday 14 February 6:00pm- 7:00pm</li> </ul>