

Year One Parent Information

Teachers

1 Blue Miss Soli Gentile
1 Gold Mrs Nicole Sibbald

Education Assistants

Mrs Cathy Armstrong
Mrs Melissa Venema

School Times

8.40 - 10.40

11.00 - 12.40

1.20 - 3.00

Please ensure your child is at school before the morning bell.

Uniform

Please check uniform policy to ensure your child has the correct school/sport uniform.

Phys. Ed

Monday

Canteen

Lunch orders to be written on bags and placed in box in wet area before school or order online at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

Money to be kept in purse/wallet in school bags.

Library

You will be notified of our book borrowing day. Please ensure that your child brings their library bag each week.

Absentee Notes

Must accompany a child on his/her return to school immediately following an absence.

This is a legal requirement and your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Even when you notify the school by phone/verbally a **written** note is still required. Emails are acceptable.

Students will need to be "**signed in**" and "**signed out**" from the school office if arriving late or leaving due to appointments.

Homework Grids

In order to combine practising concepts learnt at school with developing other life skills, homework grids will be utilised. Grids will be handed out and completed fortnightly and will contain a mixture of activities. Reading will be compulsory each night, whilst other activities can be undertaken on a day of your choosing. Please remember to sign each activity once it's completed.

Reading homework

This will begin in week 3. Please listen to your child read their book, sign and comment (if needed) in the Home Reading Journal. Please return homework bag to school each day.

Discipline

Class and school rules are for safety, respect and security. Expectations are clearly explained to the students and consequences and rewards are given accordingly.

Communication

We are happy to speak to you and encourage open communication however we do ask that you make an appointment to see us **before 8.30am and after 3pm** as during school hours our main priority is all the children in our care.

We encourage the children to see us if they are having any problems at school.

Seesaw

As a means of communicating what we are doing in Year One we will be using Seesaw. Seesaw will give you an insight into what's happening in our classes as well as inform you of what is coming up in the future. Please check Seesaw every week to ensure that you are up to date with what is happening (we may also request things to be brought into the classroom on certain days). Attached to this information booklet is a letter explaining how to join Seesaw.

Masses

We attend several school masses throughout the year. We are running the Father's Day school mass on **31st August**

Assemblies

One Blue: 17th May One Gold: 13th September

Curriculum Information

Religion	All the religion units cover: Me; Families; The Church
English	Sounds of letters progressing to simple CVC words Sight words Literacy Centres Daily writing Daily reading
Mathematics	Concrete/Hands-on approach Areas covered are: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, Statistics and Probability.
Handwriting	This is a very important part of Year 1. Please encourage your child to use the correct printing style & letter formation when doing any writing at home. From this point on we discourage the use of all uppercase letters when writing their names. - Incorrect JOSEPH - Correct Joseph
Design & Technology	
Geography	One lesson per week with Miss Geraldine Lockyer (Tuesday)
Italian	One lesson per week with Ms Natalie Zisa (Wednesday)
Phys Ed	One lesson per week with Mrs Christine Schelfhout (Monday)
Music	One lesson per week with Mrs Mariah Hlatwayo (Wednesday)
Science	One lesson per week with Mr Bernie Schelfhout (Monday)

An important learning phase in Year 1 is to **develop independence**. You can assist your child in this development by encouraging them in these ways:

- ❖ Taking responsibility for their schoolbag: carrying it to school, placing it in their locker, carrying it to the car.
- ❖ Teaching them to tie their shoelaces.
- ❖ Showing them how to tuck their school shirts into shorts.
- ❖ Opening lunchboxes and explaining which food is for recess and lunch.

If at any time you have a query or concern about your child, please don't hesitate to make an appointment to see us or send us an email:

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During weeks 8 & 9 Term 1 we will meet with all parents to discuss your child's progress.

We look forward to a successful year in 2018.

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