



## Welcome

It has been so lovely to welcome all our children back to school. We are settling into our new room in the upper atrium and the children have been amazing at picking up our new routines and our "new normal".

## Literacy

In P6 are all reading our novel study "Kensuke's Kingdom". We are developing a variety of reading skills such as reading aloud, sequencing, character analysis and vocabulary level work. Stimulus for our writing has been taken from our novel study and health work, using newspaper articles and poetry to express our ideas. We are using fun listening activities to improve our listening skills.

## Numeracy

We have started our term focussing in on multiplication and division facts: quick mental recall, using different strategies and practising written methods. Please continue to practise tables at home on a regular basis with your child. In maths we will be looking at co-ordinates on a grid. We will be using compass points to describe, follow and give directions.

## Learning in other areas of the curriculum.

You will have seen on the Google Classroom that we started this term asking the children what they would like to study. We all agreed on Australia and the children are busy researching their own area of interest with the aim of presenting their learning to their classmates. Any extra research your child would like to do at home would be welcome. Later this term we will be moving on to a Science topic, discovering more about the Solar System and space exploration. In art we are experimenting with the properties of different media.

## Health & Wellbeing

On Tuesdays P6M have P.E. lessons with Mrs McKendrick. Lessons will be outside whenever possible. Where not Mrs McKendrick will work on PE theory and how to maintain a healthy body. We are building on last year's learning about resilience and growth mindset and have started to examine how to keep ourselves safe online. Later will look at the effects that tobacco and alcohol can have on the body.

## Other Information

On Tuesdays children should come to school dressed for outdoor PE (joggers, t shirt, sweatshirt and trainers or shoes suitable for running). Our new Google Classroom is up and running for this Session and the Rising Stars programme means children can read online at home. Please help your child to log on to both. Letters have gone home explaining how. Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat every day.

Our School Rules Reminder:  
Be Respectful, Be Safe, Be Ready to Learn.