WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 1/2

Term 1—Welcome to the 2018 School Year!

Welcome back after the long break and a warm welcome to our new families. Our Grade 1/2 team is looking forward to an exciting year teaching your child and further developing their skills and talents throughout the year. The Grade 1/2's are already demonstrating our **school values** by *aiming high* in everything they do and reminding us how lucky we are to be their teachers. *Here's some of what's on...*

What are you grateful for today?

Readers Workshop

This month we have been learning how to choose **Good Fit Books** using the **5 finger test.** Children have been learning how to use different accuracy skills including **cross-checking, chunking** and **flip the sound.** We have set up our wonderful classroom libraries.



My Home Read

We are looking forward to exploring Metacognition this week. Tuning into our inner conversation as we read.

reading-thinking-reading-thinking...

*Please assist your child with filling in their yellow take home reader book!

Writers Workshop

We are all very impressed with our students' writing. They have been working through the **Writing Wheel** and are busy publishing their **Recounts** from the holidays. It has been wonderful to see the students so excited about their writing.

Next, we are going to explore Personal Narrative Writing.



Growth Mindset - Showing G R I T -

As part of our Integrated Unit, *Growing Older and Wiser* we have been exploring what it is to have a Fixed or Growth Mindset in everything we do! Resilience + Persistence = Showing GRIT



Maths

This term we have already explored **Place Value** and many **Addition** and **Subtraction** strategies. The Grade 1/2's are experts at finding and recognising **2D and 3D shapes** in our environment. They have created some wonderful shape pictures and 3D nets. We have continued to practise skip counting.

At home, your child can practise counting by **2s**, **3s**, **5s** and **10s** to 120 as well as reading and writing numbers to 1000.



Reminders

and Show Respect.

<u>Drink Bottles</u> - Please send a drink bottle with water to school for your child to leave in the classroom during class time.

Helps to keep us hydrated! 🕲

<u>Flexi Buzz -</u> Don't forget to check the Flexi Buzz App on your devices to keep you up to date with things happening at school. <u>Parent Helpers -</u>We encourage parent support in <u>Term 2</u> in our classroom either for



reading in the mornings or classroom activities. Also for participation in **incursions** and **excursions** throughout the

year. <u>Allergies</u> - Just remember Wandin North Primary School is a nut free zone! <u>School Values -</u> Our School values are: Bounce Forward, Aim High, Be Organised



What's Coming up!

Curriculum Day– Friday 9th March Labour Day Holiday – Monday 12th March **Harvest Market – Sunday 18h March! ** Free Dress Day– March 23rd (Spots and Stripes-Coldstream Animal Aide) (Last day of term—THURSDAY 29th March- 2:30pm dismissal)

> Miss Carly Bell, Mrs Adriana Grisold Miss Steph Leonard and Mrs Melanie Smith