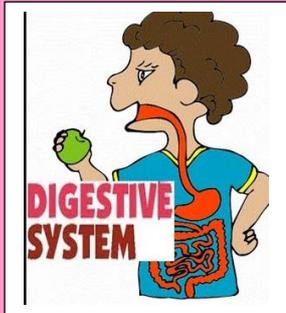


PBL (Project Based Learning): The Human Body

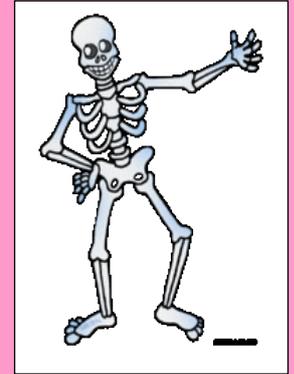
PBL Outline:

This term, students will be learning about the human body (specifically, the Skeletal and the Digestive System) through 'Project Based Learning' (P.B.L). This means your child will be asking their own questions, exploring new ideas and researching, to increase their knowledge of the human body. Students will also be exploring and learning about how good pairs learn together. This is another exciting learning experience for our Grade 1/2 students!



Driving Questions:

1. How does my body work?
2. What makes me healthy?
3. How can I learn with a partner?
4. How can I solve a problem when I'm learning?



Celebration of Learning:

Students will be sharing their learning with their partner towards the end of term. More details will be provided closer to the day.

HOMWORK...

NIGHTLY READING.... All students should be reading their take home books at home each night for at least 20 minutes. A record of this reading needs to be kept in your child's Reading Diary. Please make sure these diaries are signed and returned to school **EACH DAY!**

We are monitoring children's nightly reading, and all children who read at least **4 times per week** and **return their signed diary** will be able to participate in the Grade 1/2 Homework Reward session at the end of this term (games, activities and crafts).

READING TO YOUR CHILD.... Research shows that the more you read to your child, the greater positive effect it has on their reading and thinking skills. **Reading to children 6-7 times each week puts them almost a year ahead of those who are not being read to!**

MATHS.... Maths homework will come home on Tuesday and need to be returned by Friday. You can help improve your child's ability in Maths just by counting with them! Practice counting by 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s (forwards and backwards) in the car, on the way to bed, walking to school, etc. Grade 1s have been practising their 'fast facts' to 20 (all the different ways we can add 2 numbers to equal 20). Grade 2s have begun learning their 2 times tables.



1/2 Unit Newsletter

Term 2, 28th April, 2017

Wow! This term is well and truly underway and the students have settled back into their class routines beautifully.

Please ensure you pop in and see your child's class teacher with any questions or just to see some of their work!

Contact details for each class teacher are below.

SWIMMING

Thank you to all parents / carers who supported the recent Swimming Program at the Mildura Wave Pool. As you can see, the students gained confidence, learnt new skills and had lots of FUN! The instructors also had lots of praise for our children's manners and for their good listening skills. 😊



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Have you checked your child's work on **COMPASS** yet? So far this year, we have reported on a Descriptive Writing task and a Maths Number task for your child. If you are having trouble logging on, please contact the office for Mr Branson's **Help Desk** times.

Grade 2 Sleepover Date:

Thursday, September 14th

Grade 1/2 Activity Day:

Friday, September 15th