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EARLY STAGE ONE/ STAGE ONE TERM 2 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope that you have had an enjoyable and restful autumn holiday break. We are looking forward to another productive and busy term.

Stage One will be embarking on a study of Australian art this term. With a special emphasis on the beautifully illustrated picture book 'Big Rain Coming', we will explore many aspects of both traditional and contemporary Aboriginal art, life and culture. Towards the end of the term we will be undertaking an in-depth study of the picture book 'Luke's Way of Looking', exploring creativity and the importance of following your own passions and dreams. In Science, Stage 1 will be experimenting with everyday materials to create chemical reactions in the 'All Mixed Up' unit of work.

In music lessons this term, both Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 will be preparing for the Musica Viva incursion on Wednesday 8th May. These performances are always highly engaging and provide an opportunity for our students to attend a live performance. The note for this event can be found on the Compass app or the school website.

In Term 2 Kindergarten will be taking a look at how we can lead a healthy lifestyle with a particular focus on eating a healthy and well-balanced diet and keeping active. We will also be exploring our school and the wider Blackheath community in our HSIE unit 'Our School, Our Place'.

We are looking forward to the Stage 3 Games Day later in the term. This fun day provides an opportunity for our students to play a range of games devised by the Stage 3 students and is the major fundraiser for the Stage 3 graduation. It is always a highlight, so start saving those coins!

Many thanks also to those who have made a voluntary contribution. These contributions allow us to purchase larger resources for our classrooms. In the past we have been able to enhance our classrooms with the purchase of items such as whiteboards, puzzles, construction toys and Lego. Each and every dollar goes directly to funding high quality resources for your children.

A very big thank you for your continuing support of our Home Reading program, both at home and at school. It is always exciting to share our children's wonderful reading journey with

parents. Daily reading is hugely important in establishing reading skills and we would encourage you to read to and to listen to your child read. We look forward to welcoming all our fabulous parent helpers back into our classrooms for another term of reading and learning. If you are new to Blackheath Public School or would like to help out in your child's classroom, have a chat with your child's teacher. This very important program would not be possible without your help.

It was wonderful to see so many parents come to share your children's work during the interviews held at the end of Term 1. We are very happy to help with any queries so please feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

The Early Stage One/ Stage One Team