



# Forrest Primary School

## Year One

### Term 1 2016 Overview

#### Year 1 Teachers:

Belinda Gough, Jemma O'Brien  
Emma Heaven and Todd Ashton  
welcome you to term 1 of 2016.

We look forward to having a  
happy and productive term

#### Literacy

##### **Reading:**

- Independent, guided and modelled reading using the reading strategies of creating images, skimming, adjusting reading rate, and inferring
- Comprehension of texts (Do I understand what I have read?)

##### **Writing:**

- Text type – This term we will focus on poetry
- Adjectives, nouns and verbs
- Sentence structure
- Rocket writing (timed writing)

**Grammar:** Capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks, question marks.

**Spelling:** Individualised spelling programs focussing on taught sound blends and vowel sounds.

**Speaking and listening:** Circle time with a focus on the PYP Learner Profile and attitudes.

**Handwriting:** Revising correct letter formation and finger spacing.

#### Mathematics

##### **Patterns and algebra:**

- reading and creating shape, colour and number patterns

##### **Number and place value:**

- number sequencing
- number lines
- skip counting
- addition strategies

##### **Chance and data:**

- chance

#### Homework

Our **Home Reading** program will begin in Term 1. Please encourage your child to read each night and change their reader every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

We would appreciate parent helpers to assist with reading at school. If you can help, please contact your child's teacher.

Thank you!

#### Unit of Inquiry

##### How we express ourselves

**Central Idea:** Culture is expressed through music.

**Concepts:** Causation and connection

##### **Lines of inquiry:**

- Sound evokes emotion and how emotions shape sound (perspective)
- How music is made in response to culture (form)
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##### Where are in place and time

**Central idea:** Migration affects society.

**Concepts:** Connection, change and function

##### **Lines of inquiry:**

- Humans are connected through migration (connection)
- Family structures change over time due to migration (change)
- The reasons behind individuals migrating (function)

**Library-** The library program aims to encourage students to read for information and pleasure and to support classroom investigations.

1GO – Friday      1H- Tuesday      1A- Friday

**Physical Education-** This term in PE we will be focusing on Gross Motor Skills and Cooperative Games. Please insure students have appropriate clothing and footwear on PE days.

1GO – Friday      1H – Friday      1A-Tuesday

**Gross Motor:** Each class will participate in gross motor rotations on Thursdays

**Japanese -** This term we will be revising greetings, numbers up to 20 and learn to recognise and write the colours in Japanese. We will also explore the cultural differences and similarities between Australia and Japan through an IB lens.

1GO – Tuesday      1H – Friday      1A - Tuesday

#### Contact Us:

We're more than happy to talk to you regarding your child. Please feel free to call the front office for an appointment on 62055644 or alternatively via email.

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#### Save the Date

15 February – 26 February - Getting to know you interviews

Thursday 18 February – P&C Welcome BBQ 6pm

Wednesday 2 March – Helping your child read at home

Information session 6pm