



GARDENVALE
PRIMARY

IMPORTANT TERM DATES:

Year One Information Evening

Monday 3rd February 6:30pm

Pastoral Care Interviews

Monday 17th – Friday 21st
February

Feeling Safe Program

Tuesday 18th February

Wellbeing Warrior Incursion

Friday February 28th, March 7th,
14th, 21st

Labour Day Public Holiday

Monday 10th March

School Photos

Monday 31st March

Sibling Photos

Tuesday 1st April

Whole School Bush Dance

Wednesday 2nd April

Term 1 ends – 2:30pm dismissal

Friday 4th April

YEAR 1

Hello everybody!

Welcome to Year 1! We are very much looking forward to working with your child and we hope it will be an enjoyable, exciting and rewarding year of school for them.

The opening weeks of this term will be dedicated to ensuring your child is happy and confident in their new classroom environment. The children will also play a key role in developing classroom rules and expectations in accordance with the school's HERRRby values.

INQUIRY UNIT:

Our Unit of Inquiry for this term is called "Fit for Life". The children will discover how being fit for life involves living an active lifestyle, getting plenty of rest, regulating their emotions and applying effective strategies when working in teams.

Central to this Unit will be our 4-week Wellbeing Warrior program, during which the children will be able to put these key components of being fit for life into practise.

LITERACY FOCUS:

In reading children will further develop their phonological awareness, decoding, reading fluency and comprehension skills. Children will read fiction and non-fiction texts at school and at home at their learning point of need.

In writing students will continue to learn the essential roles of grammar and punctuation in order to construct sentences that send a clear message. The spelling of high frequency words will also be reinforced. The writing genre focus for this term will be recounts about familiar events in their life.

The handwriting focus for this term will be to reinforce and establish correct work habits as well as revisit starting points and spacing. Correct pencil grips will be demonstrated and reinforced.

NUMERACY FOCUS

In Numeracy we will build on the children's counting skills at their point of need. Children will use hands on materials to demonstrate and further develop their knowledge of place value concepts and apply different strategies to solve addition and subtraction equations. We will also reinforce their understanding of days of the week and months of the year.