Ardeer South Primary School
Grade One Parent Information Bulletin

Early Years
The Literacy Program consists of a daily two-hour literacy block from 8.45am to 10.45am. During these two hours the students work in small groups and develop literacy skills, through shared and guided reading and writing activities. In order to keep disruptions to the Early Years Program to a minimum we would appreciate your assistance by having your child at school on time and by communicating with your child’s teacher at appropriate times (see Contacting Teacher below).

Attendance Times
School programs begin at 8.45am. Please ensure that your child is at school on time (8.45am) and is picked up on time (3.15pm).

Contacting Teachers
If you need to see your child’s teacher regarding a school matter, please do so between 8.30am - 8.40am, and 3.15pm - 3.30pm or ring the office to arrange an appointment time on 9363 2768.

Absences
If your child is absent from school, a note of explanation is required. A verbal explanation by the parent or a phone call is also acceptable.

Leaving the School Grounds
Parents are required to sign the “Early Dismissal Book” in the office if they wish to take their child home early.

Library
Each student requires a plastic bag to borrow books from the library. Please make sure the books are cared for, as parents will be asked to pay for damaged or lost books.

Art
An old shirt or smock is needed to protect student’s clothes.

Excursions
Excursions are organised by teachers to provide students with new and varied language experiences. Much work is done before and after the excursions. Please allow your child to participate.

Visiting Artists
Ardeer South Primary School runs a stimulating incursion program, which is intended to provide language stimulus and experiences to the students.

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Parent Teacher Interviews
Regular Parent teacher contacts will be maintained and encouraged throughout the year.

Term 1: Parent Information Bulletin
Term 1: Parent Teacher Interview

Term 3: Parent Teacher Interview with written report

Term 4: Written report and optional interview
Swimming
Swimming will be held at the Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre from 23rd August to 3rd September 2010.

Valuables
To avoid any problems please do not send valuable toys or other items to school.

Healthy Habits - No Chocolate Bars or Lollies Please
We encourage students to bring fruit or healthy snacks for playlunch. Healthy students need nutritious food, exercise and lots of sleep. Please make sure your child goes to bed early.

School Uniform – Labelling
Please ensure that all pieces of clothing are labelled with student’s name and grade. No nail polish or dangling earrings to be worn at school.

Water Bottles
Students should have a named plastic water bottle which will be kept in the classroom and sent home to be washed and refilled.

Medication
Parents are required to complete the Student Medication form (located in the school office) for their child to receive any medication during school hours.

Asthma Medication
It is very important that all children with asthma have their medication (puffer and spacer) in their bags EVERY day, even if they are not having an attack or feeling ill. Asthma attacks can occur without warning and can be life threatening, so your child will need to have medication on hand at all times. Please remember to check the expiry dates on medications from time to time. You will also need to complete an Asthma Medication Management Plan at the beginning of the year and again if your child’s treatment changes.

| Grade One - Things to do at Home |

Reading
- Read your book and return it daily
- Practise letters and the sound they make
- Draw things that being with “m”, “r” etc.
- Cut out pictures from magazines which begin with particular letters/sounds
- Play “I spy…."
- Read your word list

Word Study
- Write the words (eg. Magic words)
- Write the words in sentences (eg. Look, say, cover, write, check)

Writing
- Make a list of words you can write on your own
  - Add to the list when you learn a new word
  - Read your words every day
- Brain storm rhyming words (eg. Big, wig, dig, sit, fit, it)
- Write a sentence / story every day
  - Illustrate your story
Mathematics

- Practise writing your numbers to 100
  - One more than ……
  - One less than ……
  - What comes after 12?
  - What comes before 12?
- Make as many equations as you can about a number (eg. 4+4=8, 2x4=8, 16 ÷2=8, 1+1+1+1+4=8)
- Counting forwards and backwards by ones, twos, fives and tens
- Write odd and even numbers

Teachers:  
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