

# News from the 1/2s

Our excursion to Mont De Lancey!

## Term 2 - Weeks 3 and 4!

### In Reading:

The Year 1 and 2s have been further building their repertoire of decoding strategies to include stretching the sounds out in words, chunking words into parts and flipping the vowel sound in words they don't know. Alongside this focus, they have been focusing on developing their comprehension skills, specifically, asking questions before, during and after reading. When readers ask and answer questions it leads to a greater engagement with the text!

### In Writing:

The Year 1 and 2s have continued to create a variety of persuasive texts, following the writing process of planning, drafting, revising, editing and publishing. Some of these will be making their way to the publishing wall in the office so stay tuned!

### In Math:

The Year 1 and 2s have been continuing to grow their bank of efficient addition strategies to include 'building to 10' (e.g.  $9+4=9+1=10+3=13$ ) and 'partitioning numbers' into their place value parts (e.g. hundreds, tens and ones). They have begun to explore data representation and interpretation by collecting data stemming from a chosen question and presenting this data with objects. In the car on the way to school, during walks, whilst you're cooking dinner are all great times to help your child practise skip counting, friends of 10&20, and doubles to build their confidence with mental math!

### Croydon Then and Now:

The Year 1 and 2s have been learning about the traditional owners of the Croydon area - the Wurundjeri people of Indigenous Australia. They also went on an excursion to Mont De Lancey to learn about what daily life was like over one hundred years ago!



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Swimming** – Week 5 (See your child's teacher about their session time. The specialist timetable will change this week to accommodate the sessions).

**Education Week Open Day** – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

### NOTICES TO RETURN:

- Swimming

Readers are being sent home daily. Thank you for your support of the home readers - they make an enormous difference in learning to read fluently!

If you have any queries about the home readers, please have a chat to your teacher!

### COOKING: What's on the menu?

Week 5 - No Year 1 or 2 Cooking as we have swimming throughout the week

Week 6 – Veggie Sticks and Dips

Week 7 – Lemonade Scones

Week 8 – Cherry Pinwheels

Week 9 – Banana Bread