WELCOME TO LAGUNA STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL

Best Start Assessment- Last week we assessed the children’s current Literacy and Numeracy skills. Apart from gaining information about what they could do, it was a great opportunity to have some individual time to get to know them better. Thanks for supporting our assessment program. You will be given feedback in the coming weeks.

Please note that the Taren Road gate and the gate in the bottom playground will be locked at approximately 9.30am and opened again at approximately 2.50pm. The only entry to the school between these times is via the Caringbah Road gate.

READING:
Focus sound: Mm - Monkeys munching m, m, m
Words to learn to read: me, the
Phonemic Awareness: Identifying rhyming words

HANDWRITING: Following instructions, posture and pencil grip, drawing a starting star

MATHS:
*Forward counting- starting at different numbers
*Numeral Identification 1-10
*Making groups and labelling 1-10

OTHER NEWS:
*A class newsletter will be sent home each week on Monday to provide you with information regarding the program for the week, as well as any other messages. Please retain these for future reference. The school newsletter will be emailed each Thursday. Your child came home with a blue folder today. This is their home reading and correspondence folder for the year. Please check this folder every day for any notes and work that we send home. If you have any notes that need to be handed in to school, we also suggest that these are placed in the blue folder.

*Morning Procedure
The morning bell rings at 9.20am. Please have your child at school before this time. When the children arrive at school, they are to put their bag along the wall or on the seat outside their classroom and put their name tag on. (NOTE: If they arrive before the 9.00am bell, they are to sit, with their school bag, on the seats outside block H where a teacher will be on duty from 8.50 am). The children are to then go to the bottom playground where all the other children are playing. When the bell rings they walk to their class teacher when directed, and then to the classroom. If your child is unsettled, you are welcome to walk to the classroom with the class.

NOTE: If your child is settled and happy to play with his/her friends, it’s a good idea if you leave before the bell.

*Afternoon Procedure
We will be leaving the classroom just before 3.15pm and the children will be dismissed from the bottom playground. Please assist by waiting in the bottom playground and not coming near the classroom as this can be very distressing for the children (when they see you they will want to go immediately) and makes it difficult for us to establish routines.

NOTE: The children can be collected from their classroom on wet days at 3.15pm.
If your child is attending ‘After School Care’ please notify the class teacher in writing and information regarding others collecting your child needs to also be communicated to the class teacher.

We would also appreciate it if you could mention these procedures to other family members who may be collecting your child.

*Please ensure that your child comes to school each day with a hat, jumper and a raincoat so they are prepared for all weather conditions.
*A spare pair of underpants in a plastic bag is also a good idea and please label all clothing.

The children also need:
*A painting shirt with their name written across the front in large letters.
*Library bag
*1 large box of tissues

The library timetable is as follows KF Monday, KM Tuesday and KS Wednesday. Please leave your child’s library bag in his/her school bag so that he/she can borrow next week.

Tickets for iceblocks are to be purchased from the canteen before school. Please place the ticket in your child’s lunch box so he/she knows where to find it at lunchtime.

We are all looking forward to a great year.

Kindergarten Teachers
Mrs Macklin (KM)  Miss Forest (KF)  Mrs Sheppard (KS)