

Year One Journal Writing – Semester Two, 2019

This term, Year One students will commence Journal Writing for homework at the beginning of Week 3 (Monday August 5th, 2019). Students will be provided with a lined book in which to write. Home readers will continue to be provided each night from Monday to Thursday.

Students are expected to write in their journals each night from Monday to Thursday and hand them in on Friday morning. Students may write about any topic, including their friends, family, pets, things they have done during the day or on the weekend, places they have visited, etc.

Please encourage your child to 'have-a-go' at independently writing the words they require by hearing and recording known sounds, using known spelling patterns or looking in a simple dictionary. Please also remind them to start each sentence with a capital letter and end each with a full stop.

Students are expected to complete **no more than one page per night**. We are looking for a high quality of writing, including the use of complex sentences, and correct punctuation. Students are encouraged to use joining words, such as 'when', 'also', 'because', 'so' or 'if' to create complex sentences.

We would appreciate it if you could assist your child by putting the short date (e.g. 1.8.17) at the top of the page on which they are writing.

School book covers have been sent home, however, if you wish, books may be covered in paper of your choice. If you do not require the school book cover, please return it to your child's class teacher.

Students have also been provided with a 2B lead pencil. Please ensure that students use this pencil only in their books – no other writing implements are to be used.

If you have any queries, please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you,

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Principal
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