



31 January 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to Year 1, 2020! We hope you all had a safe and happy Christmas. In line with our College theme "*Building Community*", we extend a friendly welcome to you all and an especially warm welcome to those people who are new to our College this year. We look forward to getting to know you all as the term unfolds and we are all very excited to be teaching your child.

Please refer to class fridge magnet sent home in diaries this week.

Items required in class include (if you have not already) are:

- A pencil case (named)
- Painting smock (named)
- Diary folder (named)

Stationery

Please do not send in any extra stationery with your child, in particular Smiggle items. Your child's book pack includes all necessary stationery items. If your child requires additional stationery during the year, you will be notified.

Please Note: Swimming starts in Week 3. In Week 1 and 2 your child will require their sports uniform on both the HPE day and swimming day until Week 3 when they will require their swimming gear on their swimming day.

Class Timetables

These will be available at the front of your child's diary. Teachers will send home a magnet for your household fridge, to help them develop the independence to successfully pack their own belongings.

Homework

Homework will commence in Week 3, with show and tell and two decodable readers. Please remember to return your child's homework folder and the two readers, inside the blue folder, every Friday. This will enable readers and fluency cards to be swapped. *Please try to attend the Parent Information Session in Week 3 as you will receive a lot information regarding homework and reading for this year.

Parent Help

Class teachers will contact parents who have completed the Coomera Anglican College Parent Induction course, run by Ms Lisa Kraft, when and as help is required.

A friendly reminder also that we strive to be a nut-free zone at the College. Also, please ensure that you pack your fruit (or vegetables) for our daily fruit break.

This year brings some changes to independence and routines in the classroom, such as changing into HPE uniforms and swimming gear, so please ensure that all items are clearly named to assist lost items being returned to the correct owner. Practise timing your child putting on their swimming and HPE clothes, including tying and untying their shoelaces, without any assistance.

This will be one of few parent notes sent via email this year. In an effort to be more accessible and ‘greener’, all College communications will be sent via The Hive (from Week 4). More information about the ‘Hive’ will be made available to the College community at the **Parent Information Evening, held in the IGC in Week 3 (Monday 10 February, at 5.30pm)**. Please access and read these messages carefully as more information pertaining to Year 1 will be available here. In the meantime, all permission notes will be accessed through a link on the Primary Weekly email, and paper permission notes will not be sent home in diaries, as per last year.

This is a new and exciting time, which also comes with many changes, so if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s class teacher. Email or a diary note is the best method of contact, however, if you need to pass on information to your child during the day, which is of an urgent nature, please call Primary Administration. If you require a meeting, please contact your class teacher to arrange a suitable time. We cannot always meet prior to or after the College day, due to professional commitments, but will endeavour to meet with you as soon as possible.

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Yours sincerely

THE YEAR ONE TEACHING TEAM