30th January 2012

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to Year 3 MM, 2012. We hope you had a great Christmas and a fantastic holiday. Just to remind you Anne teaches Monday and Tuesday and Maria teaches Wednesday to Friday. As a whole school, the first two weeks will focus on Building Relationships. A note will be included in the Parent Bulletin.

Each child is allocated a day when they read to the teacher. Also, although we will not be having a set oral language sharing roster, we will be having Talking Time. There will be approximately 2 times during the term when a topic has to be prepared, these will be indicated on the Homework Grid and the day each child presents their topic will be the day they read to the teacher. Other times the oral language will be organised in class.

Your child's day is ________________________

Sport uniform is to be worn on Thursday and Friday.

Library borrowing is on Monday morning. Please remember children can borrow books at other times.

Please ensure your child arrives on time for the start of school as we will be having Italian at 9am on Tuesday and Thursday and all morning routines will need to be completed before children go to Italian. Also Year 3 will be having library borrowing on Monday mornings. If children are late then their time for these activities is reduced.

The children organise themselves in the morning and instructions are near the book trays. Drink bottles can be placed on the ledge near the book trays.

If anyone is able to listen to the children read in the morning please fill in the roster which is on the pin board outside the classroom near the classroom door. Remember you must be a registered volunteer. Please note that on Tuesday and Thursday listening to reading will need to start at 8.45am and finish by 9am.

This year the children will have a diary. The diary will be used as a means of communication and to record the children’s reading instead of having a sheet in the Take Home Reading book cover. If your child is away, a written note on a separate piece of paper is required to explain their absence.

We would also be grateful if each child donates a box of tissues as we tend to go through quite a few.

Please remember the children do not go up the stairs in the morning until the teacher is there. At the end of the day the children will be dismissed from the classroom, parents are to wait downstairs.

We look forward to having a fantastic year with your children. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

Maria Montatore and Anne Maloney

Love in all things