Welcome to Term 1, Week 5!

LEARNING FOCUS

This week’s learning focuses are:

- Reading Focus: Comprehension
- Writing Focus: Persuasive Writing
- Maths Focus: Number and Algebra – The Four Operations
- Unit of Inquiry: Identity

COMPASS

We are excited to inform you that Parktone Primary School will soon be using Compass School Manager as a powerful tool for tracking student progress and keeping parents connected via our Parent Portal.

Using our Parent Portal you will be able to:

- View up-to-date school attendance information
- Approve or enter upcoming or past absences for your son/daughter
- Update your registered email and mobile number (used for SMS alerts) details
- Access information regarding upcoming events and news
- E-mail your child’s teachers
- Book your Parent/Student/Teacher conferences

In the near future you will also be able to:

- Access your child’s Student Semester Reports
- Download, print and approve upcoming excursions
- Pay school fees, camps and excursions

Once Compass is up and running in the school we will host a parent information evening to run through the basics of how to get the most out of the parent portal and to further explain how we are using compass to enhance student learning.
Other reminders

Fun Run Training on Wednesday mornings.

Thank you to all the students, parents and friends that joined us for our first training morning on Wednesday. It was very pleasing to see so many people start their day with some exercise. We are looking forward to your company again next Wednesday morning the 25th, on the school oval at 8.10 am.

If anyone wants to enter Run for the Kids the

Username: Parktone Primary School
Password: Parktone

We would love to see as many participants as possible.

HOMEWORK

A notice went home last week about The Leader In Me Homework sheet. It is the children’s responsibility to Begin With The End In Mind to complete these projects. There is also Mathletics homework task set each week, it has been noticed by both teacher that many students did not complete the set task last week!

Let’s hope for a better week this week :-)

7 HABITS AT HOME

Choose an area of improvement at home. For example, painting a wall, a system for making lunch in the morning, saving up to buy something special, etc. and this is the goal (the end in mind). Write down ideas with your child regarding what steps need to be followed to achieve the goal.

NUDE FOOD SCHOOL

Over the past few weeks we have noticed an increase in rubbish in the school playgrounds. We are asking parents to be conscious of what they are putting into their child’s lunch box and where possible to unwrap the foods before putting them into the lunchbox.

Did you know that the brain uses over a quarter of the oxygen used by the human body.

Your heart beats around 100000 times a day, 36500000 times a year and over a billion times if you live beyond 30. Two very active body organs.

Science Fact From Mrs Ziogos

What is Nude Food?

Nude Food is simply food that is not wrapped in foil, plastic or commercial packaging. The best type of nude food consists mainly of fresh food, so that it is healthy and nutritious PLUS environmentally friendly. Promoting Nude Food empowers students to make conscious choices about what they eat, and encourages them to think about their impact on the environment (and their health).

To pack a Nude Food Lunch or Snack, you will need:

• Cutlery from home is better than throwaway plastic ones
• Plastic or metal drink bottles are recommended for refilling with water
• Reusable containers for putting all of your food, snacks and drinks into
• Lunch boxes that have lots of separate sections can be useful to avoid lost lids or containers