Dear 1/2S Parents and Carers,

Welcome to 1/2S 2022

I hope everyone has managed to have a safe and enjoyable break and are back refreshed for the year ahead. As we start the school year, I would like to formally introduce myself as Miss Jen Ko. I am thrilled to be teaching your child this year and look forward to a memorable year of learning, fun and growth!

Your child has been selected to be in the mixed Year One and Year Two class. This mixed class is necessary because Stage One classes are based on approximately 24 students per class. Students were selected because of a variety of individual factors making this learning environment the most appropriate for them to thrive in. The students will work in ability groups for English and Mathematics and on whole class activities with graded expectations for the majority of the other Learning Areas. They will also mix with the other Year 1 and Year 2 students in 1E and 2O during structured sessions.

Meet the Teacher: You are invited to attend the Meet the Teacher Session via Zoom on Tuesday 8th February at 5pm. During this session, I will provide additional information about the class program and organisation.

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/63095668651?pwd=ZHJIUWVIY2xwbk1HMDBaWIZkY0REUT09

Meeting ID: 630 9566 8651 Passcode: 1/2S

This term **sports uniforms** will be worn on **Fridays**.

Classroom supplies: Thank you to the families who have ensured students attended school with all their requirements. A copy of the class requirements is on the school website under the heading notes. Please assist your child to be ready for class by providing all items on the list by the end of this week.

Drop off and pick up: Please ensure your child is not dropped off before the morning bell as there is no teacher supervision until 8:30am. At pick up time, currently 2:55pm, please wait outside the school gate at which you have arranged to meet your child.

Crunch and Sip: We will have daily crunch and sip at 11:05-11:15am. Please send your child with fresh fruit and/or vegetables to snack on. Ensure your child has a water bottle which can be refilled throughout the day.

Birthdays: Due to COVID, we ask that you do not send in food such as cakes/treats. Instead you may like to donate a picture book to the class library. A birthday sticker will be placed inside the book labelled with your child's name and the book will be read with the class to make your child feel special.

At Melrose Park Public School, we believe that parent-teacher relationships are essential for maximum school success. Throughout the year I will communicate through many different forms and look forward to discussing your child's learning goals and progress at parent teacher conferences. If there is something that I need to know urgently, please contact the school via phone or email: 9874 4669 melrosepk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of you in advance for both your support and partnership for the upcoming school year. I look forward to meeting you soon.

Regards, Miss Jen Ko