



# Grade 2 News

Term 1 - Pearcedale Primary School

## Reading:

- I can make predictions before, during and after reading a text.
- I can use the images, pictures and clues in the book to support my prediction.
- I can make text to text, text to self and text to world connections while reading a text.
- I can identify the main idea of a text.
- I can use evidence in the text to support my thinking.

## Writing:

- I can create short **imaginative texts** using growing knowledge of text structures and language features.
- I can build on familiar texts by experimenting with character, setting or plot.
- I can reread and edit my writing for spelling.
- I can reread and edit my writing for sentence-boundary punctuation.
- I can reread and edit my writing for text structure.
- I can write words and sentences legibly using upper- and lower-case letters with growing fluency.

## Maths:

### Time

- I can tell time to the quarter hour.
- I can name and order months and seasons.
- I can use a calendar to identify the date.
- I can use a calendar to identify the days, weeks and months included in seasons.
- I can use a calendar to identify special events.

### Place Value

- I can order numbers up to 1000.
- I can separate numbers up to 1000 using place value (100s, 10s and 1s).
- I can rearrange collections up to 1000 using 100s, 10s and 1s.

### Number

- I can count to 1000.
- I can count down from 1000.
- I can order numbers up to 1000.
- I can skip count forwards and backwards by 2s, 3s and 5s from 0 and from any given number.

## Important Dates

### Meet and Greet Interviews

Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February

### Labour Day

(Public Holiday)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March

### Curriculum Day

Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>



# Meet The Year 2 Team!

## Miss Murray:

Hello Everyone, I'm Erin Murray and I am teaching 2EM this year. I'm brand new to Pearcedale PS and am in my 5th year of teaching. I love travelling, getting outdoors and exploring new places (especially with my dog Lexi), cooking new recipes and barracking for the Tigers. I am very excited to be a part of the Pearcedale community and look forward to being a part of all of the wonderful things that happen here at Pearcedale PS.

## Ms Baker:

Kia Ora Pearcedale Primary School Grade 2 community! I have been teaching for 18 years and this is my second year at PPS. I try to make learning challenging, a time to practice known skills and a place where it is okay to make mistakes and learn from them. I love dogs and I have two adorable Labrador dogs called Maggie and Merlot. I love to learn myself and really enjoy the outdoors. I look forward to getting to know you all, please make yourself known to me. Warmest regards, Paula Baker.

## Mr Dowling:

Hi, My name is Trent Dowling I have been teaching at Pearcedale Primary School for three years and this is my fourth year in grade 2. A little bit about my self is I love to surf whenever I can and I enjoy playing basketball on a Monday night with fellow staff at the school. I barrack for the Essendon football and going for the swing of golf. I have a huge passion for student welfare within and outside the classroom and can't wait to see what 2020 brings in grade 2!



## Mr McCormick:

Hi. I'm Mr McCormick. I teach 2JM. I have a wonderful grade who try hard and love singing. My favourite foods are pizza, Thai curries and sushi. I barrack for the best football team in the world the Richmond Tigers. I enjoy spending weekends doing day trips with my wife, my 3 year old daughter and brand new baby son.

## Miss Freeman:

Hi, my name's Miss Freeman and I'm super excited to be teaching Grade 2. This is my third year at Pearcedale Primary and I have been teaching for a total of 7 years. When I'm not teaching I love going to the beach and going out fishing on our boat. I have a 4 year old son named Sam and he is just learning how to ride a motorbike! I'm looking forward to an exciting year and getting to know all of the amazing students we have in Grade 2 this year!

## Mr Watling:

After 9 years at my previous school, Carrum Primary School, I am excited at the opportunity and challenges that lie ahead at Pearcedale Primary School. Pearcedale is my 4<sup>th</sup> school and will be my 11<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. Prior to teaching, I worked in outdoor education, taking children on school camps. This job allowed me to travel to the USA and New Zealand and participate in camping programs in both countries. Cricket takes up a large amount of my free time and I currently coach the Victorian Girls 12 and Under Cricket Team and play at Carrum Cricket Club. I feel most at home in the bush or on the beach, I enjoy 4 wheel driving, camping, hiking and geocaching, all of which allow me to explore our amazing country. My favourite place to explore in the Victorian High Country, especially the area around Mt. Buller and Mt. Stirling. I look forward to meeting many of you over the coming months. Steve

## How to support learning at home:

As you read for 20 minutes each night look for 'interesting words' we can add to our 'WOW' word walls.

Practice your SMART Spelling words each night and choose one activity to complete over the week.

Don't forget you can use Mathletics at home to complete Maths activities. Each student has been assigned activities that align with the learning happening in class.