A warm welcome to you all for another school year. The following information is provided for you regarding routines and details about Year One classes for 2011.

**Teachers**

**1B** - Ms Sharryn Benson (Mon,Tues,Wed)/Mrs Suzanne Hayes(Thurs,Fri).

**1D** - Mrs Suzanne Hayes(Mon)/ Mrs Anna Di Noro (Tues, Wed, Thurs,Fri).

**Munch and Crunch**

Children are encouraged to participate in a daily healthy eating programme. They are given 10 minutes during the morning session to eat a piece of fruit or vegetable. It is important that all fruit and vegetables are pre-cut.

**Library Days**

**1B** - Thursday  
**1D** - Tuesday

Please send your child's library books in on their class library day so new books can be borrowed. Children are asked to bring their books to and from school in a library bag that can be purchased through the School Uniform shop for $10.

**Sports day**

1B and 1D will have their Sports day every Tuesday. It is school policy that all children participate in our sport and PE programs. If your child is unable to participate due to ill health or injury, a note needs to be sent in advising the school of the period of time he/she will be unable to participate in sport.

**Absence Notes and Money Procedures:**

Should your child be absent for any reason this year, a note will be required for that occasion. Any money for excursions etc must be placed in an envelope and labeled with your child's name, class and amount enclosed. The envelope is taken directly to the office before school.

**Parent Meetings**

Parents wishing to meet with the class teachers need to organise a suitable interview time, to ensure adequate time can be given to address your concerns. Appointments can be made by sending a note to the classroom teachers with times that are suitable for you or by leaving a message with school office.

Parent Teacher interviews will take place at the end of Term 1 with written reports distributed at the end of Term 2 and Term 4.
**Homework/Home Readers**
In Year 1, children should read for 10 minutes each night. There is no formal written homework for Year 1. Home readers can be changed daily if the book has been read. Home reading should be easy reading as the children are reading for refining skill development and for enjoyment.

**Classroom Behaviour expectations**
The aim of our classroom behaviour system is to guide the child towards self-control and self-discipline. Positive reinforcements are used to encourage and reward good choices and behaviour. Safety is of utmost importance and both school and class rules are set in place to keep students safe as well as provide a conducive, positive environment for learning.

**Positive Reinforcements:**
# Teddy Bear charts
# Daily raffle draw

**Steps used when class rules are broken:**
1. Verbal warning that behaviour is inappropriate and name written on board.
2. Cross beside name if behaviour continues.
3. A second cross against name if behaviour continues and time out in classroom.
4. If behaviour continues, the child receives a green slip and is sent for time out to another classroom. The Assistant Principal will be notified and will monitor the child’s behavior.

**Uniform**
Please encourage your child to wear their full Mount Brown school uniform and to bring a school hat every day. Children who do not have Mount Brown school hats on at recess and lunchtime are only allowed to play in the shaded COLA areas. Please ensure that hats, jumpers, lunchboxes, library bags and drink bottles are clearly labeled.

**Tissues**
On many occasions children need tissues. It would be really appreciated if each child could bring in 1 box of tissues for general classroom use.

**General Housekeeping**
**Morning Arrival:** There is no morning supervision of children until the school gates open at 8:30 am. On arrival at school children are required to go under the Primary COLA where they are to remain until 8:45 am. Infants children will then be escorted to Infants OZ Land by the supervising teacher.

**Late arrivals and early releases:** Please ensure that you visit the front office first should your child arrive late or need to leave early. You will then be given written confirmation of this release to pass on to the class teacher.

If there are any problems with your child’s learning or participation in class or at school please don't hesitate to contact your child’s teachers and we can arrange a meeting.

Thank you,
Anna Di Noro, Sharryn Benson and Suzanne Hayes
Year 1 Teachers.