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Welcome to 1 Dominican for 2020. My name is Mrs Carola Dodman and I am the classroom teacher of 1 Dominican. I cannot wait to see what 2020 brings for Year 1. This year our classes at Fairvale are named after countries who are participating in the Tokyo Olympics, the Dominican Republic is amongst the many countries who are competing in the Olympics. We hope to learn lots of interesting things about the Dominican Republic throughout the year. I am very excited for the year ahead of fun and learning.

<p><u>Attendance</u></p> 	<p>It is very important that all students attend school every day, but we understand if your child is sick or there is an emergency. However, it is essential for children in their first year of schooling to attend school as much as possible. We do many important activities that will benefit students through the rest of their schooling. If your child is away, please ensure you either call the office to inform us or send a note with your child on the next day that they are at school. This note needs to be returned within 7 days of the absence.</p>
<p><u>Concerns</u></p> 	<p>If you ever have any concerns regarding your child whether that be academic or not, please feel free to come and see me. I will endeavour to solve your concern or provide you with the information you need. I may need to book a time to meet you, either to find out the correct information or to sit down and discuss properly your concern.</p>
<p><u>Reading Eggs and Mathletics</u></p> 	<p>We are lucky enough to have access to both Reading Eggs, for English and Mathletics, for Mathematics. I will provide each student with a log on for each program. We will do some of these activities at school however, if you would work with your child at home that would be extremely helpful.</p>
<p><u>Names on belongings</u></p> 	<p>Please ensure all of your child's belongings have their names on them. We often have hats and jumpers without names on them and they go missing. With winter coming up please make sure that you label everything so it can be returned without any issues.</p>
<p><u>Home Reading</u></p> 	<p>Students will receive books to read with you / independently at home. The books given are to be returned to school every day. When students bring their home readers they will be expected to place them in the home reader tray provided. I will be changing them and returning them home. It is very important that these books are taken care of as they are property of Fairvale Public School and a lot of children use them throughout the year.</p>
<p><u>Sports clothes on Friday</u></p> 	<p>It is our sport day on Fridays so please ensure that your child is wearing their sports uniform. This will include white joggers for them to run in.</p>
<p><u>Notes Home</u></p> 	<p>I will send all notes home with your child at the end of the day. Please check this regularly, we are a very busy school and we will often send notes home with important information. This will also include our school newsletter which is sent home every fortnight. If there are any notes handed out in your child's absence they will be given to them the day of their return to school.</p>
<p><u>Library / Music / Health</u></p> 	<p>Our library borrowing day is on Tuesday. Please encourage your child to bring in a library bag to borrow a book of their choice. We have a large assortment of books that your child will love reading! Mrs Orwin is our library teacher. Miss Berry takes students for Physical Development health and Physical Education. Mrs Olivera takes them for Music.</p>
<p><u>Seesaw</u></p> 	<p>We will be sharing our learning in 1D through the use of Seesaw. Each child will have their own account which you can simply download on your phone. You will be able to see pictures of learning, work samples and special events. Your log in was given to your child in their homework folder.</p>
<p><u>Class Dojo</u></p> 	<p>To ensure 1 Dominican are following the FAIR rules and classroom rules. I have introduced Class Dojo. Class Dojo is a point system where students get points for making good choices and points taken away if bad choices are made.</p>
<p><u>Homework</u></p> 	<p>Homework will be given out on a Monday and be returned Fortnightly on a Friday.</p>