READY FOR YEAR 2?
A PARENT CHECKLIST

For children finishing Year 1 and moving into Year 2

Aligned to the Australian Curriculum Version 9. Use it to notice strengths and pick one or two things to practise.

ENGLISH

- ☐ Reads short books with growing confidence
- ☐ Uses letter sounds to read and spell new words
- ☐ Writes a few sentences with a capital letter and full stop
- ☐ Talks about what happened in a story and how a character felt
- ☐ Rereads their own writing to check it makes sense

MATHEMATICS

- ☐ Counts, reads and writes numbers to 100
- ☐ Adds and subtracts small numbers in their head or with objects
- ☐ Skip counts by 2s, 5s and 10s
- ☐ Tells o'clock and half past on a clock
- ☐ Names common coins and notes

LEARNING HABITS AND WELLBEING

- ☐ Reads at home most days
- ☐ Packs their bag with a little reminder
- ☐ Keeps trying when something is tricky
- ☐ Can say how they feel in words
- ☐ Listens while others are talking

THREE THINGS TO TRY AT HOME

1. Take turns reading a page each.
2. Play shops with real coins and add up the total.
3. Keep a one sentence daily diary with a drawing.

This checklist is a guide, not a test. Every child grows at their own pace and schools plan their own programs. Talk to your child's teacher about what your child needs next.
