

Prep Term 4 Newsletter 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4!

We hope you all enjoyed the school holidays. The children have once again shared many holiday stories. We have an eventful term ahead and it sounds like the children are very excited to go swimming this term. All programs and curriculum planned for the term are outlined below.

PYP

This term we have designed a unit with a central idea 'We can contribute positively to communities.'

Below are some key concepts we will explore throughout the term...

- How to move from a connection to a relationship
- How we can develop relationships
- Understand what a community is
- Know what it means to be part of a community

English

Reading

This term we will continue with whole class shared and modelled reading with a focus on narratives and texts relating to communities. We will continue with reading groups with each group having a focus to meet their needs e.g. comprehension strategies, re-reading, word endings, stretchy snake.

Writing

This term the students will focus on punctuation, adding detail to their writing and self-editing. We will continue to investigate WOW words and how these add power and interest to our writing. Children will write recounts, narratives and poems. We will be sending out a home writing book at some stage this term with a soft toy. More information will be sent out closer to the time.

Speaking and Listening

Children will be encouraged to use vocabulary related to our PYP unit. They will share their home writing to the class throughout the term as well as engaging in opportunities to share their work and experiences to the class. They will continue to develop active listening and questioning skills.

Mathematics

Through our PYP we will continue to investigate mathematical strands of Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry and Statistics and Probability. The children will further their mathematical skills through hands on authentic experiences using concrete materials. Our mathematics program this term incorporates place value, addition and subtraction, sharing, data collection, measuring with non-standard and standard units, money, comparing and ordering the duration of events, features of a clock and classifying 2D and 3D shapes.

Thank you for your support,

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Important Dates for Term 4

Thursday 25th October: House Lap-A-Thon 2018

Monday 29th October: Fire Education

Friday 9th November: Swimming begins

Wednesday 14th November: Fire Education

Friday 7th December: Whole school transition

Tuesday 11th December: Whole school transition