

Kew Primary School

Middle School Newsletter

Term 2, 2018

## Hello Middle School!

### Inquiry

The Interdisciplinary Theme that we are investigating this term is Sharing the Planet. Students will be thinking about how the choices we make affect our environment with a particular focus on what is happening to rubbish locally and globally and how we can make a difference.

### English

Students will be introduced to persuasive and informative writing genres this term. We will be looking for authentic audiences for students to write to and align some of our writing projects with the inquiry unit.

In Reading the focus will continue to be on developing strategies that will strengthen comprehension and high-level understanding of the text. We aim to ensure that students are actively involved in the reading process by providing many opportunities for students to think and talk about the books they are reading during literacy sessions.

This term we will integrate Speaking and Listening tasks with our inquiry and students will have opportunities to speak about the investigations and research they have completed during the inquiry unit.

### Mathematics

Students in the Middle School will be developing their knowledge and understanding of fractions, measurement, geometry, chance and representing and interpreting data.

In geometry, students will be working with nets and 3 dimensional solids. We will relate measurement to fractions and students will work to gain an understanding of the vocabulary of chance and chance events.

Number fluency including mental strategies for the four operations and multiplication tables will be a feature of maths sessions.

Targeted maths will continue every Friday from 11:20~12:20 and may not be with their class teacher at this time.



### HOME LEARNING

#### Due dates for Term 2

Friday 11th May

Friday 25th May

Friday 8th June

Friday 22nd June

### PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Queen's Birthday

Monday 11th June

### HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

Tuesday 8th May

### DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday 24th May

8/9/10 year olds run 2km

### NAPLAN Testing (Year 3 only)

#### Tuesday 15th May

Literacy ~ Language Conventions ~ Writing

#### Wednesday 16th May

Literacy ~ Reading

#### Thursday 17th May

Numeracy

For more information:

[www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au)

### JUST A REMINDER

Bells: The first school bell rings at 8.50am. This is the signal for students to come inside quietly, unpack their bags and be ready for the 9am start.

Morning recess: 11am~11.30am

Lunch: 12.30pm~1.30pm

Absentees: If your child is absent, please notify their teacher via Compass.

### BIKE EDUCATION TERM 4

Practise riding your bike. There are limited bikes at school for the Term 4 Bike Education sessions. More information later.

**From the teachers**

We look forward to this productive and enjoyable term and as always, please do not hesitate to contact us in person or via the following email addresses:

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