

Year 3/4 Newsletter Term 2, Week 4

Welcome to Week 4

After a busy week, we are looking forward to getting back to our normal routines. Well done to all Year 3 students on their efforts in last week's NAPLAN testing. A reminder, this is only a very small part of assessing your child's capabilities.

Chapel

This Friday our class will be leading the school chapel service at 9.00am in the school hall. We hope you are able to join us.

Nude Food Day

This Wednesday, it is Nude Food Day run by the SRC. Last fortnight we were awarded the trophy, it would be great to retain it for another fortnight. Students are asked to bring their food in reusable containers rather than disposable packaging. Our school captains will judge each class based on the amount of rubbish placed in our pink bin.

Simultaneous Storytelling

On Wednesday at 10.30am we will be taking part in a simultaneous storytelling session, this will be happening all over Australia at the same time. The story we are looking at is "Alpacas with Maracas" by Matt Cosgrove.

Class Awards

Congratulations to this week's recipient of our Class Award, Kayley Schulz. Kayley is a caring student who is always willing to lend a hand to her peers or myself. She is a very principled student who is always polite and fair to all. Great work Kayley!



Weekly Reminders:

Monday

- Visual Arts – Sports Uniform

Tuesday

- Choir

Wednesday

- Nude Food Day

Thursday

- German

Friday

- Chapel – 9am
- Library
- PE – Sports Uniform
- Assembly – 2.40pm

Sports Uniform to be worn on Monday and Friday

WEEKLY FOCUS:

- Spelling – Year 3 – “ai” for k. Year 4 – “le”.
- Grammar – Sentences and Verbs
- Writing – Information Reports
- Maths – Measurement - Perimeter and Area
- UOI – Explorers – introducing the unit
- UOI – Plants – continuing to monitor our vegetable garden.
- Chapel – We will be leading this week's Chapel Service

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Unit of Inquiry

Last week we completed our unit on Habitats. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm by all students during this unit, especially with their Summative Assessment Task. Students were asked to produce a pamphlet on an endangered animal of their choice and make a diorama of their habitat. The end results were very impressive.

This week we begin our new unit on Explorers under the Transdisciplinary Theme Where we are in place and time, with the Central Idea; 'Humans have desire to explore'. The concepts that will be covered are Connection, Form and Causation with the Learner Profile Attributes Inquirer and Knowledgeable. This is a great unit to discover more about Australia's history.

Sight Word Assessment

Since the beginning of the term, all students have been assessed on their sight words – both reading and spelling them. Students will be regularly tested on the words they got wrong to ensure they know all 300 words. The spelling words will also form part of their spelling program with a few being added to their list until they have shown they know them. If you are wanting a list of these words please let me know.

Student Goals

This week I will be beginning to formally check student's progress on their Literacy and Numeracy Goals. If you could support your child at home with these goals also, it would be much appreciated. If you need any materials or tools to help with this, please let me know.

Upcoming Events

- Eudunda Hostel visit – Wednesday 29th May
- Open Day – Tuesday June 4th at 9.00am till 12.00pm.

P and F Meeting

Last week's scheduled P and F meeting has been postponed to this Monday at 2.00pm in the hall. All are welcome.

Work Experience

We welcome ex student Jourdon Jenke to our school next week. She will be doing work experience in the Upper Primary classes as well as my PE classes.

Classroom Helpers

If you have any spare time, we would love some parents to come in and listen to the students read in our morning period. Any amount of time would be appreciated. If you are able to spare some time (there is no need to commit every week) please let me know.

Have a great week!

Yours in Christ

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