

R14 Term 4, 2020

Dear Families,

Welcome back!



This term students have a homework contract and will need to complete 6 activities a week to complete. There are 2 additional activities that students can choose to complete if they would like an extra challenge.

It is also expected that students read for about 1 ½ hours a week. They can read from library books, home readers or use Reading Eggs.

Students can also continue to practise their maths using Prodigy.

Please bring water bottles with water only. Please avoid juices, milk, iced tea or soft drinks.



Sun Safety; All students must wear the uniform 'bucket hat' to shade the face, neck and ears at all times, when outside, in terms 1, 3 and 4 and at any other time when the UV reading is 3 or above.

We will be studying the following topics this term;

Literacy

- Historical Recount - Examine the purpose and structure of historical fictional recounts. Build vocabulary around recounts and Australian history in the mid 1800s. We will examine different types of recounts such as diaries, journals and letters and the role that letters play in learning about our history. Students will write letters as if they are living back in time.
- Argument – Examine the purpose and structures of arguments. Compare different types of persuasive texts such as advertisements, debates and persuasive letters. We will examine how convincing arguments have led to important changes in Australia such as voting rights for women, free education for the poor, education for girls, welfare system etc.
- Word Study - The word study program we are using has been developed by Words Their Way; a word study program, which allows teachers to provide differentiated, and effective instruction in phonics, spelling, and vocabulary.
- Oral Language-Students will prepare and present a talk, each fortnight, on various topics. The timetable and list of topics will be in each student's homework book. It will start in week 3. Students are expected to practise the presentation for homework and be organised to present their talk on their assigned day.

Maths

Money and Budgeting

- Practise adding and subtracting decimal numbers.
- Working out percentages off of prices.
- Solve real life situations involving money eg organising the cost of a camp, working out the cheapest deal, planning the costs involved in party.
- We will organise the costs involved to buy enough dinner for the year 6/7 aquatics camp.
- We will have a classroom economy where students will have to keep track of their weekly income and costs. They will have to make purchasing and savings choices.

Mapping

- Learn about the compass points and how to give accurate, descriptive directions in English.

Humanities and Social Sciences

- We will be learning about Australia in the mid 1800s. We will be examining the lives of 2 groups of migrants during this time; Irish orphan children and those looking for gold during the gold rush.

Child Protection

The Right To Be Safe

- We will look at our feelings that we experience when we feel unsafe and what we can do in those situations to keep us safe. We will also learn about keeping ourselves safe on the internet.

<u>Specialist Lessons</u>	<u>Important Dates this term.</u>
P.E - Tuesday with Mr. Thom and Friday with Mr. Simon Science - Monday and Wednesday Library - Thursday	Monday 4 th of November -Pupil Free Day Friday 20 th of November - Pupil Free Day Monday 23 rd of November - School Closure Day Friday 11 th of December - last day of term

