



To Parents/ Guardians,

Welcome to Term 2!!!

We hope you all had a wonderful relaxing holiday and there weren't too many 'I'm bored' moments!! I hope everyone has their batteries recharged and is ready for a fun filled busy term!

This term for Reading we are learning how to use our prior knowledge and make connections from other texts we have read to help us have a deeper understanding of what we are reading. As we are reading we will identify the structure and language features of a variety of texts, and begin to revise ideas, information and form opinions about what we have read. We will continue to be accountable for knowing our reading goals and continue to provide evidence of achieving our goals.

For Writing we will be exploring how to make decisions about what genre we will chose to best write about our topics and think about who we want to write it to. We will think about how we want to organise our writing using the correct text structure and features. To make our writing look better we will focus on the editing stage looking at misspelt words and using different strategies to make corrections.

Our Mathematicians this term will be working on using efficient mental strategies to help them solve addition and subtraction problems. They will be able to recognize and explain the connection between the two. They will be working with money and calculating the change to the nearest 5 cents. We will be measuring, and comparing objects with length, temperature, capacity and volume using concrete materials in the classroom.

We will be exploring and learning about the 'First Australians' for our unit of work topic. Students will learn about world explorers and investigate how Indigenous Australians lived prior to European Colonisation and the changes to the lives of those involved as a result of the colonisation.

### **Important Dates for Term 2:**

<b>Friday April 21st</b>	<b>Earth Day</b>
<b>Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>ANZAC DAY Public Holiday</b>
<b>Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>School Photo Day- Get those smiles ready!!</b>
<b>Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NAPLAN- Language Conventions and Writing (Grade 3s ONLY)</b>
<b>Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NAPLAN- Reading (Grade 3s ONLY)</b>
<b>Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NAPLAN- Mathematics (Grade 3s ONLY)</b>
<b>Friday May 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mother's Day Breakfast</b>
<b>Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Twilight School Day School starts at 1pm-7:15pm</b>
<b>Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Student Free Day- Report Writing Day</b>
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Queen's Birthday Public Holiday</b>
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Interviews</b>
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Last day of term 2 (Dismissal at 2:30pm)</b>

**Term 3 starts on Monday July 17<sup>th</sup>**

<i>Year Level</i>	<i>VISUAL ARTS</i>	<i>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</i>	<i>SPANISH</i>	<i>LIBRARY</i>	<i>DRUMMING</i>	<i>SCIENCE</i>
<b>3A</b>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
<b>3B</b>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>
<b>3/4A</b>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
<b>4A</b>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>
<b>4B</b>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>

**Other information:**

**Homework**

Students are encouraged and expected to read on daily basis and practise their personal spelling words. There will be times that they may bring home unfinished classroom work and be expected to complete at home. We also recommend a pencil case be organised at home for homework in order to promote excellent study habits. Please feel free to come and see your child's teacher if there are any concerns.

**Absences**

If your child is absent from school, a note explaining the absence is required.

**Valuables**

To avoid any problems please do not send valuable toys or other items to school.

**Personal Belongings**

Please label all personal items, especially school jumpers as they are an expensive item to replace if lost.

**Parent Helpers:**

Just a reminder if you are a parent helper and would like to help out in one of the classrooms please feel free to look at the timetables which are placed outside the classroom. If you would like to be a parent helper and you have any particular area of interest please speak with your child's teacher for more information.

**House Keeping:**

- Please bring along 2 boxes of tissues and thank-you to parents who have already done so.
- Just a reminder for the Grade 3 parents to join the 3/4 option on tiqbiz

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact your child's teacher. Let's have a great Term 2 filled with lots of learning and laughter!!

3-4 Team

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