

GRADE 4 NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Term Two! We hope that you and your family had a wonderful break and that everyone is looking forward to an exciting term ahead.

Literacy

Students will continue to explore fiction and non-fiction texts during Reader's Workshop, as well as experience multimodal texts such as comics and short stories in the form of videos. Lessons will continue to focus on further developing reading strategies such as: building fluency, accuracy, and expanding vocabulary. We will also work on comprehension strategies such as determining importance, finding the main idea and supporting details, as well as answering literal, inferred and evaluative questions about a text.

In Writing this term students will continue to practise writing for sustained periods of time and be taught how to plan, draft and publish pieces of writing. We will focus on poetry, explanation and letter writing.

Grammar will focus on the following: VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation), Paragraphs. In Spelling we will continue to follow SMART Spelling scope and sequence and students will learn about a number of

The Resilience Project

We are continuing to implement the Resilience Project in classrooms this term. We cover the benefits of **Gratitude**, **Empathy** and **Mindfulness**, and easy ways to practise these in everyday life.

Subway Lunch Orders

Subway lunches are now available each Friday. This includes a sandwich or wrap, a cookie and a drink and will cost \$7. You can collect order forms from the office, or print them from home via Compass. If you are interested in placing an order, order forms and correct change are due to your child's classroom teacher **by Wednesday** each week.

Term 2, 2021



Upcoming Events

- District Cross Country (Tuesday 4th March)
- Mother's Day Stall (Friday 7th March)
- National Simultaneous Storytime (Wednesday 19th March)
- Curriculum Day (Friday 28th May)
- Division Cross Country (Tuesday 1st June)
- Last Day Term 2 (Friday 25th June)

Numeracy

M.A.T.H. Workshops will continue in Term 2. These lessons allow for differentiated learning so students are challenged at a level appropriate to their ability. This term, we will be focussing on the following areas of Number; Division, Money & Financial Mathematics, Fractions & Decimals, Patterns & Algebra and the CUBES problem solving strategy.

In addition to M.A.T.H Workshops, Grade 4 students will also participate in 'Outside Maths' lessons. The focus of these sessions is to teach students about areas of maths that require a more 'hands on' approach. Areas of focus will include; Chance, Angles, Length, Volume & Capacity and Time.

Don't forget your child can use Mathletics to reinforce their learning about any of the topics covered.

Digital Technologies

This term, students will have the opportunity to practise coding through the use of OzoBots and the website code.org

Computer skills will also be reinforced during reading and writing lessons where students will use their typing skills to publish written texts and learn to navigate websites to assist in reading activities.

Homework

Homework is continuing in Term Two. Students are required to complete the following tasks and have them signed off by a parent/guardian.

- Reading (three nights)
- Three SMART Spelling activities
- Assigned Mathematics tasks (online)

Homework is due every Friday.

Unit of Inquiry

Transdisciplinary Theme: Who We Are

Central Idea: Thinking influences our behaviour and actions.



Grade 4 students participating in activities which encourage perseverance and a growth mindset.



Specialist Classes, Library and Grade 4 Sport

	P.E.	Mandarin	Visual Arts	Science	Library
4G	Friday	Friday	Friday	Monday	Monday
4M	Friday	Friday	Friday	Monday	Monday
4W	Friday	Friday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday

Grade 4 Sport which is run by classroom teachers will take place every Thursday.