

# GRADE 4 NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome Back!

A big welcome back to all of our students! We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer break.

## Literacy

Reader's Workshop will begin this term with students having the opportunity to explore fiction and non-fiction texts. Students will be supported in understanding learning intentions through modelling of mentor texts before applying their knowledge in their own way, either from their personal bookbox or from the Epic! online library.

Learning intentions will focus on the 4 main elements of reading; comprehension, accuracy, fluency and expanding vocabulary. Class teachers will conduct reading conferences with students individually or in small groups to help students to reflect on their reading ability and set goals.

During Writing sessions 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 writing Recounts and Explanation texts.

Grammar will focus on the following: VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation). We will also look at noun groups, paragraphs, tenses, proofreading and editing.

Spelling sessions will follow SMART Spelling scope and sequence and students will learn about a number of spelling rules.

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## Upcoming Events

- Chinese New Year celebration - Friday 17th February.
- Meet the teacher - Tuesday 28th Feb/ Wednesday 1st March.
- House Athletics Day - Friday 10th March.
- Labour Day Public Holiday - Monday 13th March.
- School Photo Day - Tuesday 21st March.
- Family fun afternoon - Thursday 30th March.
- Last Day Term 1 - Thursday 6th April.

## Numeracy

This term during Mathematics sessions, we will be focusing on the following Number and Algebra curriculum areas: Addition, Multiplication, Subtraction, Division and Money

We will also cover both Measurement & Geometry and Statistics & Probability. Curriculum areas of focus include: The CUBES problem solving strategy, Time, Area, Perimeter, Chance and Shape.

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



**Subway Lunch Orders**



Subway lunches are back again in 2023! Orders can be placed through: [app.canteenhub.com.au](http://app.canteenhub.com.au). Subway lunch orders include one sandwich or wrap, one cookie and one choice of drink. We are also very fortunate as \$1 from every sub purchased is refunded back to the school. Orders are due by **11:30am every Thursday**.

## The Resilience Project

Seaford North Primary School will once again be implementing The Resilience Project in classrooms during 2023.

We will cover the benefits of **Gratitude**, **Empathy** and **Mindfulness**, as well as easy ways to practise these in everyday life.

Please keep an eye on Compass for future updates/information.

## Homework

Homework has started this year! Students are required to complete the following tasks and have them signed off by a parent/guardian each week.

- 3 nights of reading.
- 3 SMART Spelling activities.
- 3 assigned Mathletics tasks (online).

Homework is due Monday mornings.

## Digital Technologies

Students have already completed several lessons on the topic of internet safety. The focus of these lessons have been how to identify scams and phishing emails, how to properly secure personal information, how to interact respectfully with one another while online and what information is appropriate to share with one another.

Typing skills will also be reinforced in future lessons, as well as during reading and writing sessions where students will have the opportunity to publish written texts.

## Unit of Inquiry

**Transdisciplinary Theme:** *How We Organise Ourselves*

**Central Idea:** *Power comes with choice and responsibility*



## Democracy

### Specialist Classes, Library and Grade 4 Sport

	Visual Arts	Mandarin	P.E	Science	Library
4H	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Monday
4L	Thursday	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
4M	Thursday	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday

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