

GRADE 1/2 NEWSLETTER

DATE	EVENT
Oct 16	Pupil Free Day
Oct 27	Sports Day
Nov 6	Pupil Free Day

DATE	EVENT
Nov 7	Melbourne Cup Day
Dec 1	Sleepover
Dec 7	Concert



Information

Welcome to Term 4. It will be a busy term with lots of learning and yes, Concert time!

Literacy and Numeracy Week

Thank you to all the families that attended all the activities that occurred during Literacy and Numeracy Week. It was great to see parents and children working together during the Open Morning, Maths Family Night, Come And Read with Me and the Book Character Parade. Your participation helped to make the week a great success.

Many thanks to the families who came to school to meet the friendly weatherman Mike Larkin. It was a fun afternoon enjoyed by all.

We would also like to extend our appreciation to all who attended the **ANPS Family Maths Game Evening**. We had a great turnout in the 1/2 Unit and families had the opportunity to engage in Numeracy games and activities that can be played at home with their children.



Sleepover

The 12 Unit are looking forward to the sleepover on December 1st. The sleepover is part of the preparation for the grade 3 - 6 camp. It is an excellent opportunity for children to build independence and resilience. So get the sleeping bags and pyjamas ready for the big night.



English

Students will be exploring and reading various persuasive texts. They will be looking at the structure and features and the purpose of persuasive texts. Students will be required to provide information as evidence to support their stance on a particular topic. They will be immersed in language such as agree, disagree, for, and against, fact, opinion and demonstrate their persuasive skills in writing.

Students will continue to show their understanding of different genres (Persuasive texts and Personal Narratives) by identifying features of each genre and demonstrating their understanding of the genres in their writing.

Students will participate in spelling investigations and continue to improve their spelling strategies in their writing using "Edipillar". (A spelling strategy prompt)

Mathematics

Units of work covered this term will be Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Volume and Capacity, Mass, and Counting. Students will continue to demonstrate their understanding of the topics, using a variety of manipulatives (materials) and problem solving strategies. They record their thinking, explaining the strategies they use to approach the task.

Some activities you could do at home to support your child's learning in Mathematics include:

- Reading the price tags when shopping.
- Working out the total cost of bought items and change given.
- Helping with cooking and reading measurements within recipes.
- Recording events on a calendar on a daily basis.

INQUIRY

.Our topic this term is "Water and Recycling for Life". The **Major Topic Understanding** is:

Conserving natural resources is vital to the survival of humans and the planet.

Students will be engaged in activities investigating positive and negative affects on the environment and conserving natural resources.

Our **Focus Questions** are:

What are the earth's resources?

What does our school do to conserve natural resources?

How can we continue to help conserve natural resources for the survival of humans and the planet?

Why is it important for us to conserve natural resources?

As part of an assessment task, students will be required to demonstrate their understanding of the topic in the form of a presentation. They will be creating a diorama. Students will be required to supply items for this activity.



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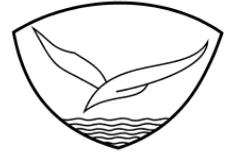
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Curriculum Overview
Specialists



"Consider Others"

VISUAL ARTS

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Music and
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Sustainability:

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Physical Education

SPORTS DAY is on OCTOBER 23

