

Grade 3/4L Newsletter

Term 4

2016

Important Dates

26th October

WOW Day

27th October

Smart Start Inursion

28th October

Souvlaki Lunch

Clarinda Library Visit

31st October

Curriculum Day– no students

9th– 18th November

SWIMMING

30th November

WOW Day

2nd December

Grade 3 Sleepover

20th December

Last day of School

Welcome

We are now heading towards the end of the year with a very busy final term. We look forward to sporting activities such as after-school Sporting School Basketball, AFL clinic for 5 weeks during PE, Swimming and the Grade 3 Sleepover on Friday 2nd December. Information to follow about this in the near future. A reminder that there is a student free day on Monday 31st October the day before Melbourne Cup Day holiday.

It has been a privilege to have such wonderful children in my class this year. They have each worked hard to learn, grow and achieve personal goals. It has been amazing to see the differences in them between the start of the year until now. Thanks to all the parents that have helped out with various events, excursions, class parties or just stopped by for a chat. Your support has made for a fantastic year!

Thanks,
Janet Lai

Intensive Swimming Program

Wednesday 9th - Friday 18th November

Swimming begins on Wednesday 9th November for 8 days.

Please remember bathers, towel, swim cap, bag and sandals. All items must be named. Swim caps can be purchased from School Office.



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Hats & Water Bottles

Due to the hot weather, children should have a water bottle in class to access as needed. Hats must be worn outside during recess and lunchtime, and all sporting activities.

NO HAT NO PLAY!

PURPLE FOLDERS

Please remember to check the **Purple Communication Folder** every day and remove notices as they arrive. This ensures that you are always up to date with current school events and aware of any permission notes that must be returned. Purple folders must be brought to school every day along with homework. Diaries may be used for communicating absent notes.

LUNCH WRAPPERS A reminder to families to try to think about reducing the number of wrappers and glad wrap used in lunch boxes. We aim to have “wrapper-free” days every Wednesday. There are still a large number of wrappers in lunchboxes. Please name all containers for their safe return.



READING: We are trying to encourage a love of reading and demonstrate its importance in everyday life, both now and in the future. We would like for all children to read each night and to have their reader cover signed to indicate that they have read. In class for Reading, students are learning to select Just Right books for their independent reading. These books are based on interest and readability - not too easy, not too challenging but just right! We are cultivating a relationship with our local Clarinda Library and students are encouraged to join and delve into the world of books, magazines, DVDs and the use of free WiFi. During the summer holidays it could be a great place to visit!

Term 4 Science Unit: — Plants in Action

This term in science the class will explore the life cycle of plants from seed to full bloom. Students will be learning about:

- * germination and pollination
- * factors needed for plant growth



Term 4 Rotation

Grade 3/4 students are participating in a rotation this term of:

- 1. Design, Creativity and Technology of a Wind Turbine challenge to lift a cup up off the floor**
- 2. ICT— Coding**