

# Grade 3/4C Newsletter

**Term 4**  
**2016**

## Important Dates

**26th October**

**WOW Day**

**27th October**

**Smart Start IncurSION**

**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**

## End of year fast approaching!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 4, which will be another very busy term. The last term of the year always seems to pass very quickly. The Grade 3 sleepover is coming up this term which I'm sure will be a great experience that will allow children to get used to staying away from home, especially in preparation for camp in Grade 4, 5 & 6.

We are also looking forward to sporting activities such as after-school Sporting School Basketball, AFL clinic for 5 weeks during PE, Swimming. A reminder that there is a student free day on Monday 31st October the day before Melbourne Cup Day holiday.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,

Katrin

## 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— SCRATCH Coding**