3/4 News

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back for another term. It's hard to believe that it is Term 4!!! The students will be busy focusing on the author, Margaret Wild and learning to create a financial plan. It will be a fun and interesting term.

Please feel free to drop in and say hello, or make a time to meet, at any time this term.

Miss Ziebell, Mrs Trumble, Miss Delany & Ms Pashos

Important Dates

Tuesday 22nd October

• Poetry Café – 3/4T & 3/4P

Friday 1st November

- Grade 4 Kanga Cricket Gala Day
- Grade 6 Icy-pole fundraiser

Monday 4th November

Curriculum Day

Tuesday 5th November

Melbourne Cup Day

Wednesday 6th– Friday 8th November

Swimming

Tuesday 19th November

 Grade 3/4 Gala Day v Huntingdale

Monday 9th December

Cross-level transition

Thursday 12th December

• Christmas Concert 6pm-7pm

Monday 16th December

Cross-level transition

Tuesday 17th December

Grade 3/4 class parties

Friday 20th December

Last Day of Term – 1:30pm dismissal

Rotations Term 4

Science

In Term 4, students will learn about 'Plants in Action'. They will explore the different parts of a plant including the stem, roots, leaves, seeds and flowers. Students will learn about bean seed germination and have the opportunity to plant a seed and observe the growth and changes over a few weeks. They will learn about the life cycle of a plant and develop an understanding of how it blooms into a flower.

Geography

This term, students will continue on their "trip around the world!" They will learn about the features, climate, culture and geography of the seven continents. Students will focus on Australia and our neighbouring countries, the topography of South America and the countries and flags of North America. They will use atlases to map countries in Asia and Europe and learn about Antarctica, the largest desert in the world.

Food Technology and Health

Throughout Term 4 the students will continue to expand' their cooking skills, measuring and mixing ingredients to make Anzac Caramel Slice. All students will be requested to bring a **container** and \$3 to help pay for the ingredients.



As part of Health the students will be exploring and developing responsible and sustainable classroom practices such as recycling, composting and energy saving and learning how to transfer this knowledge to home.

Dance The Dance

In Term 4, students will extend their awareness of how the body can be used to communicate ideas. They will explore and experiment with the elements of dance (direction, time, dynamics and relationships) and extend their movement and technical skills through the dance style of body percussion.

It is getting hot so bring your HAT and DRINK BOTTLE!





Homework

A reminder to all parents that the suggestion in Grade 3/4 is for all students to complete homework each night.

<u>Maths</u> – students will continue to receive a weekly Maths homework sheet, focussing on quick recall of simple number facts. The focus of these questions is recall and speed. This term we will continue learning the <u>times table facts</u>. All children will benefit strongly from being able to recall multiplication facts up to 10 x 10 by the time they complete Grade 4.

<u>Word Study</u> – students will complete one activity per night to reinforce the sound or rule they are learning *in our Word Study groups*.

Reading – students will be asked to read every night, and record it in the reading log inside their Reader Cover. Students are welcome to read books from the class *Take Home Reader boxes*, but they are also welcome to read and record other books – it's a great idea to visit your local library so that your child can choose some exciting new books to read!

Tips for helping with reading – allow your child to read silently to themselves (this takes away the pressure of reading aloud!) then ask them to <u>retell</u> the key information or parts from the story they have just read. You can also ask more specific questions to help build comprehension (understanding) including questions such as "How is the character feeling? How do you know?"

Specialists

Monday	STEM
Tuesday	Greek
Tuesday	Art
Wednesday	Music
	PE
Thursday	Rotations
Friday	3/4 Sport
	Library

Please remember to bring a box of tissues!

