

Grade 3/4 Newsletter



Clarinda

Term 3, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 3, and welcome to all of our new students!

Please read all the important dates for this term as we have a very busy term.

We are very proud of the tremendous commitment and resilience all students in 3/4 are currently demonstrating with their class work and other school activities.

If you have any questions or comments, please send a message to your teacher via Class Dojo and they will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you.

From the 3/4 team,

Miss Neaves, Mrs Trumble, Miss Delany, Miss Ziebell and Mrs McNamee

Important Dates

Wednesday 27th July - Maths Games #4

Monday 8th August - Curriculum Day - **Student Free Day**

Wednesday 17th August - Staff Professional Practice Day - **Student Free Day**

Monday 22nd August - BOOK WEEK

Book Fair in the library all week

Tuesday 23rd August - Book Week Dress Up Parade

Book Week Incursion in the Hall

Wednesday 24th August - Author Visit - Adrian Beck

Wednesday 7th September - Maths Games #5

Friday 9th September - Author Visit - Jane Godwin

Friday 16th September - Last day of Term 3 early dismissal at 2:30pm

Homework

In Term 3, students are encouraged to complete the following:

Maths – students will receive a weekly Maths homework sheet, focussing on quick recall of times tables facts. All children will benefit strongly from being able to recall multiplication facts up to 12 x12 by the time they complete Grade 4. Please see the notice sent home for more information about maths homework this term.

Reading – students are expected 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. Students are encouraged to borrow books weekly from the school library which is regularly stocked with new and exciting titles.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge is continuing right now, and we would like the students enrolled to read as many books as they can. Remember a student who reads 20 minutes per day will have read 3,600 minutes in a school year.

Please send a dojo message to Ms Pilakis or Mrs Marikar if you have any questions about the reading challenge.

Please remember to bring a **box of tissues** to share with your class this term.



Number Fluency at Clarinda Primary School

Number fluency is critical to student's success in Mathematics. Number fluency is the ability to understand the concept of numbers and then use this conceptual understanding to recall and apply number knowledge efficiently and accurately.



At Clarinda Primary School this term, we have introduced a whole school, systematic approach to building every student's number fluency. Each week students in all year levels will participate in the Clarinda Calculators program to further support their automatic recall of addition and subtraction facts as well as multiplication and division. The program is differentiated, meaning that students will participate at their own level, and progress through the levels at their own pace. Students will be encouraged to continually strive to beat the clock and reach the next level.

Make sure to ask your child how they are enjoying Calculators program!



Play is The Way is our practical behaviour education program for teaching social and emotional well being. We run weekly Circle Time classroom discussion lessons where students are invited to share their opinions and feelings in order to create a safe and enriching learning environment. The topics we will be discussing this term are:

- *Naidoc Week celebrations/Indigenous Studies
- *Friendships – how we maintain our friendships, what makes a good friend, how we deal with issues that may arise
- *Positive Coping and Help Seeking Strategies – activities from the Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships curriculum
- *Camp Preparation

In addition to our Circle Time lessons we play a popular weekly outdoor game where students are challenged to enjoy competition with good grace and consideration for their opponents.