



Stage 2 Term 4 Newsletter and Learning Overview

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to our final term for this year. This term is traditionally a very busy but exciting one, with special events and end of year festivities. We will celebrate Grandparents and Grandfriends Day, an excursion in conjunction with our Geography unit, swim scheme for Year 3 and our school dance concert. The following information provides details for important events and activities this term.

Sport

Summer Sport will return this term. Students will participate in PSSA Touch Football or participate in a rotation for touch football, volleyball and basketball. Please remember to wear appropriate footwear and sun protection and bring a water bottle for these activities. Please note that for summer sport PSSA students leave school at 9am. School sport students must arrive by 9:30. We return to school by 11:30am

Subject Rotations Year 4

The students will have rotations for Geography, IT and Maths. Ms Noble will be teaching Year 4 Geography and Ms Andersen will be teaching STEAM/STEAM. Students also will participate in maths rotations between the two classes and will collaborate as a whole year group in YDCI and PD/lessons.

Swimming Year 3

Year 3 students will be participating in swim scheme program in weeks 7 and 8. This will include a daily swim session. More information will be provided soon.

Dance

Students will participate in weekly dance lessons which will culminate in our school dance performance at the end of the school year. Our dance lessons are held on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing (such as shorts, leggings etc) to participate confidently.

We are looking forward to another terrific term of learning,

The Stage 2 Team

Genevieve Andersen 4A teacher

Kathy Fitzgerald 3F

Kristie Noble 4N teacher

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Stage 2 Term 4 Overview

Literacy

	Speaking & Listening	Reading & Viewing	Writing & Representing
Focus	Communicates in a range of informal and formal contexts.	Students use an integrated range of skills, strategies and knowledge to fluently read and comprehend a wide range of texts in different media.	Students compose, edit and present well-structured written texts of a variety of genres including poetry.
Skills & Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation skills • Language suited to audience • Critical evaluation as a listener 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying language features • Discussing cohesion • Compare and contrast • Read and respond to a variety of genres • Demonstrate a variety of reading strategies • Draws on Super Six Comprehension strategies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of subheadings • Paragraphing • Editing • Use a variety of punctuation • Use increasingly sophisticated vocabulary • Use of poetic structures

Maths

(Based on the Stepping Stones Maths Program)

Module	Year 3: Topics	Module	Year 4: Topics
10	Money Fractions Capacity	10	Converting Measurement Fractions Decimals
11	Four digit numbers 3D objects and shapes	11	3D objects Division Multiplication and Division
12	Addition strategies Maps and position Graphs	12	Money Time Chance Mapping

Stage 2 Term 4 Digital Technology

Students will focus on using the laptop to develop their skills with word processing and typing skills. Students will extend their knowledge of coding using micro bits and LEGO WeDo. They will create a documentary using imovie in conjunction with our Geography unit.

Stage 2 Term 4 Geography

In Geography, the students will be studying the Earths Environment and examine the importance of natural vegetation and natural resources. They will learn about the ways people, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples value their environments.

Students identify sustainable practice, recognising that there are differing views on how sustainability can be achieved

Stage 2 Term 4 PDHPE

You Can Do It

The students will be studying the “You Can Do It” unit of ‘Persistence’. As a part of the unit, students will discuss how to handle difficult emotions and learn to put in place strategies to face challenges and overcome obstacles.

Learner Characteristics

The students will be studying the learner characteristic of collaboration as part of our overall wellbeing focus of the school.

Smiling Mind

Smiling Mind Mindfulness program will continue with a focus on communication, growth mindset, resilience, and curiosity.

Physical Education

The students will continue to build their fundamental movement skills through school sport PSSA and dance lessons.

Stage 2 Term 4 Creative Arts

Art

Visual Arts this term will link with the geography unit. Students will focus on colour, line and shape in their artworks. Students will use paint, crayon and paper folding to create artworks. They will use materials in different ways to create added layers to their work.

Music

In music, students will investigate accent and metre through playing, moving and singing to music.

Drama

In drama, students will gain confidence in creating and sustaining roles in improvised scenarios. They will play drama games to improve skills in improvisation, collaboration and building characterisations.