Class Newsletter

Term 3, 2021



Dear Parents / Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 3, hopefully everyone had a relaxing and refreshing holiday. We had a very eventful Semester 1 filled with challenges and achievements and this term will also be full of continued enquiry and learning.

Specialist Lessons

Dance	Monday 11:30
Music	Thursday 10:00
LOTE	Thursday 10:30
Library borrowing	Friday 10:30
PE	Friday 2:30

Curriculum Term Three

ENGLISH - Poetry

Students will read and listen to a range of humorous poems by different authors. They will identify structural features and poetic language devices in humorous poetry. They will use this knowledge to innovate on poems and evaluate the poems by expressing a personal viewpoint using evidence from the poem. They will then plan, create and present a humorous rhyming poem.

MATHS

There will be continued work with number and place culminating in the calculation of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems, whilst developing fluency with multiplication fact families.

Students will focus on fractions and decimals, in particular identifying, modelling and representing equivalent fractions; counting by fractions; and solving simple calculations involving fractions with like denominators.

There will also be a focus on measurement where students will use scaled instruments to measure temperature, capacity, area and length.

HASS - Using Places Sustainably

This term the students will examine the interconnections between people and environment and the importance of environments to animals and people. They will investigate how people use, and are influenced by, environments and how sustainability is perceived in different ways by different groups and involves careful use of resources and management of waste. There is a focus on identifying the purpose of structures in the local community, such as local government, and the services these structures provide for people and places.

REMINDERS

Brain Break

Students may bring a healthy snack every day for brain break at 9am and 10am. Fruit and vegetables are accepted.

NO HAT NO PLAY

Students are required to bring their school hat every day.

Drink Bottles

Drink bottles are essential every day of the school year. Students are allowed to leave them in the classroom for easy access.

Library

It is an expectation that all students will borrow from the library each week on a Thursday.

Bells

Children are to be lined up when the first bell goes at 8:45am. Parents are to wait in the eating area for collection at the end of the day.

Belongings

Please ensure all jumpers, hats, bags, lunch boxes etc are clearly named to avoid confusion about ownership and so they may be returned if misplaced or left in the classroom.



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SCIENCE - Ready, Set, Grow!

In this unit students will investigate life cycles and sequence key stages in the life cycles of plants and animals. They will examine relationships between living things and their dependence on each other and on the environment.

TECHNOLOGY - What's your Waste Footprint?

Students will explore and manipulate different types of data and transform data into information. They will create a digital solution that presents data as meaningful information to address a school issue that will show how lunch waste can be reduced.

THE ARTS (Visual Arts) - Tiny Worlds

Students will experiment with visual conventions and visual language to create an imaginary environments inspired by real places by using mixed-media techniques, colour relationships and the application of materials.

Attendance

Attendance is essential to ensure your child's educational journey continues to be as successful as possible. Remember consistent attendance is important.

Behaviour

Students are aware and reminded every day of the Geebung State School behaviour policy. The expectation is that students follow the school rules being respectful, being safe, being a learner and being responsible both inside and outside the classroom and in every class they attend. Expectations for classroom behaviour and work standards are high and it would be appreciated if this could be reinforced at home.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent home each Friday and must be returned completed by the next Thursday. Learning of the week's spelling words and number facts is a part of this routine. While it is the student's role to ensure that their homework is completed on time and brought back to school, please assist them with their time management skills and support them in achieving this goal. Allocating some time where your child can read out loud to you (and you read to them) is recommended on at least a weekly basis. It is a lovely way to spend some one-on-one time with them and start some fabulous conversations.

Communication

Please read our school newsletter fortnightly to ensure you are aware of up-and-coming events. The door to 4A is always open if you need to see me for any reason. I encourage you to contact me first if you have any concerns so we can deal with the issue together. Contact me directly or by email at bgrah41@eq.edu.au.

Please be aware that I am taking some leave from Monday 2nd August to Friday 20th to have some surgery.

I look forward to your support and working in partnership with your child throughout the rest of the year.

Yours sincerely

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Bill Graham

Glass Teacher

Tracey Douglas **Principal**



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