



Term 4, 2023 Term Overview

WELCOME

Welcome to Term 4! We are excited to explore new concepts including our HASS unit called '*Celebrate Good Times, Come on!*'. We will be celebrating and commemorating many events during this term including: Grandfriends' Day, Remembrance Day and the End of Year Concert/Art Show which is very exciting!

Please remember to send a drink bottle, filled with water, and a Sunsmart hat to school every day, especially as the days are getting warmer. We also remind families to please label all belongings, especially hats, jumpers, drink bottles and lunch boxes.

Please feel free to contact us via email or Seesaw throughout the term.

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WRITING

In writing this term we will be focusing on persuasive writing and poetry.

Persuasive Texts: students will express their opinion on a range of topics. They need to state their point of view, reasons for their opinion and then add detail to these reasons using persuasive and emotive (high modality) words.

Poetry: students will be looking at different types of poetry including acrostic, haiku, diamante, tanka and slam poetry. Students will draft, edit and publish a range of their poems.

READING

Students will be exposed to a range of texts related to our writing topics of persuasive texts and poetry.

Through our shared 'Read Alouds,' we will be focussing on enlarging students' vocabulary by looking closely at word meanings, synonyms and antonyms.

Reading fluency - to support our Celebrations unit, we will be using excerpts of celebrations texts to practise reading fluency. Students will also have opportunities to read poetry and utilise its patterns and rhythm for phrasing groups of words when reading aloud.

PARENT COMMUNICATION

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MATHEMATICS

Daily Review

We will continue to begin our Maths lessons with Daily Review. As a group, we spend 10-15 mins each day reviewing concepts already learnt to improve our retrieval from long term memory.

Number and Algebra

Students will start the term by revisiting multiplication and division. They will recall multiplication facts and related division facts, and solve multiplication problems using efficient mental and written strategies.

Students will also review fractions and explore the connection between fractions and decimals.

Measurement and Geometry

Students will learn about metric units for mass, capacity and temperature (e.g. kg, mL, celcius). They will use scaled instruments to measure the mass and capacity of shapes and objects.

Statistics and Probability

Students will explore probability by conducting chance experiments and listing possible outcomes.

UNIT OF WORK

'Celebrate Good Times, Come On!'

This term, the big question for our unit of work 'Celebrate Good Times, Come On!' is:

'How, when and why do people celebrate and commemorate significant events around the world?'

Through engaging activities, our students will discover the significance of cultural celebrations and commemorations.

It will be a journey of discovery that spans cultures and traditions, fostering empathy and understanding among our students.

Students will pose questions and focus on a specific celebration to investigate.



SUPPORTING LEARNING AT HOME

Reading

- Read aloud with your child at home
- Ask them questions related to their book
- Have them listen to you read aloud
- Home readers and library books can be changed weekly
- Highlight/find examples of persuasive words
- Discuss the language used to persuade in advertisements and commercials

Maths

- Practise recalling times tables up to 10 x 10 (Year 4)
- Recalling times tables 2s, 3s, 5s, 10s (Year 3)
- Discuss temperature changes in weather forecasts
- Use tape measures, scales and thermometers to measure shapes, objects and temperatures around your house and then compare the measurements (Year 4)

HASS

- Discuss different celebrations or commemorations you acknowledge/celebrate.

EVENTS THIS TERM

13 October - Colour Run

23 October - Grandfriends' Day

3 November - School Disco

7 November - Chocolate Drive

21 November - Market Day

1 December - End of Year Concert/Art Show/Twilight Fair

1 December - Reports emailed

4-8 December - Parent/Teacher Interviews

7 December - Move Up Day

15 December - Term 4 ends