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Newsletter - Term 3 Week 9

Principal's Report

Welcome to our Week 9 newsletter for Term 3. Today we have been providing Zoom sessions to allow parents an opportunity to ask questions about the next few weeks and most importantly the return to school. The NSW Government has published a return to school plan and based on the health advice from the NSW Health, a staged return to school will begin on October 25. Please refer to the article on the staged return to school.

Next week we will be launching our student wellbeing week which is different to the previous weeks in that we are pulling back on the literacy and numeracy activities. We are still doing check-in sessions during the morning still and we will be hosting special Launch, Explore and Summarise sessions for numeracy during this week. Then for the rest of the day, we will be hosting a number of live sessions that are focused on fun activities that can be completed by students either alone or with the supervision of older siblings or an adult. There are no mandatory sessions but we would recommend that they attend at least one session a day.

As we approach the holiday it is important that we end the term with a whole school assembly. This will be led again by our student leaders and will include videos from our community. We look forward to connecting with you all there. As this is the last newsletter of Term 3, I will bid you well and hope that through the holiday break you do get a chance to relax with no school programs to work on. We do look forward to more of the spring weather of late and with the introduction of daylight saving a little more light to enjoy.

At the Zoom information sessions today, more information was presented on the return to school. This information was shared during an earlier session.

- Monday 25 October Kindergarten and Year 1 will return
- From 1 November (Term 4 Week 5)

 Years 2, 6 will return
- From 8 November (Term 4 Week 6) Years 3, 4, 5 will return
- Full vaccinations for all school staff across all sectors will be mandatory from 8 November.
- Parents are now requested that their children wear a mask at school. This request is now in place for students coming to school as children of essential workers. Clearly, a child wearing their own mask will be more comfortable than the one supplied. We will not be forcing children to wear masks, but we recommend that you ask them to do so.
- A threshold of 50 in 100,000 cases in Sutherland Shire will be used to determine whether this plan holds. If it is below this, we will return as above, but NSW Health will advise us not to return until the threshold is met. Likewise, we understand that if there were a spike of cases in our LGA, this may result in a return to Level 4 and learning from home.

We are unsure whether this will change though a provision has been placed for changes to be made based on the conditions. We'll definitely keep you up to date.

One of the sessions was recorded to allow you to benefit from the discussion and detail presented here.

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Return to School

Book Week



In Week 7 this term, we celebrated Book Week by sharing our favourite books and authors, participating in virtual author and illustrator talks and completing different activities throughout the week linked with the 2021 theme: Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds. We were able to share the Favourite Books video at our Week 7 K-6 Assembly. Still, unfortunately, there were so many submissions for the Book Week tasks that we didn't have enough time to share all of the videos, so we wanted to include them in this week's newsletter.

Favourite Books

Students shared some of their favourite books and why they enjoyed them, and you can access this video here:

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Old Worlds - Interview Task

Students interviewed a family member or community member to ask about their experience of school and reading and how they think the school has changed over time. You can access the highlight video of these interviews here:

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New Worlds - Artwork Task

Students created an artwork or design in various formats with the theme 'New Worlds' and talked about how their artwork related to the theme. You can access the highlight video of these artworks here: https://www.youtube.com/embed/d_qirE92y6w?showinfo=1&rel=0

Other Worlds - Creative Writing Task

Students authored a short story with the theme of 'Other Worlds' and read out a particularly exciting or interesting part of their story. You can access a video of these excerpts here:

https://www.youtube.com/embed/DA2BxIOHHsl?showinf o=1&rel=0

K - 2 News

Kindergarten

Another two weeks of learning in Kindergarten, and we've been having some fun with sh for shark and wh for whale. Check out some of the incredible work by our superstar kindergarten students. Thank you to our amazing Kindergarten teachers (both parent-teachers and school teachers) for their enthusiasm and commitment to keeping the students engaged and learning!

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Stage 1

Stage 1 has continued its focus on writing informative texts on Australian animals. Next week, the students will have the opportunity to choose their own animal and write an information report. We have also been learning about multiplication and division. Check out some of the fun activities our students have been working on. Thank you, Stage 1 teachers and families!







Year 1 - Spotty Petals

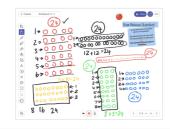
A fun game that involves equal groupings is called 'Spotty Petals'. Roll a dice to see how many petals and roll it again to see how many spots each petal. Work out the total number of spots!

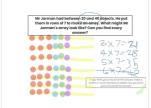


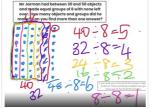


Year 2 - Arrays!

An array is formed when we arrange objects in rows and columns. Year 2 have been learning how to use arrays to represent different multiplication and division facts.







3 - 6 News

3-6 Cyber Safety Talk

This Thursday 9th September 2021 students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 will participate in a virtual Cyber Safety webinar which will be presented by a trainer from the Australian Government E-Safety Commissioner team. The webinar will be run in the Stage 2 and Stage 3 Microsoft Teams channels from 9:30am - 10:15am.

To ensure that students are able to access the webinar on the day, we ask that;

- Stage 3 students join their usual Thursday 9:00am check-in session
- Stage 2 students join their Thursday check in session a little earlier, at 9:15am

The webinar aims to support students to learn about online consent or permission, and how to define online boundaries. During the presentation the students will work through activities shared in a Google Slides Presentation which are available to access via the Google Classroom Task 13. Should you wish to print the activities out prior to the webinar, please use the link below.

Worksheets for Cyber Safety Webinar

Stage 2 News

Over the past term the students have been learning about Sustainability. This has been reflected in many of the tasks that have been set in the key learning areas of English, science and geography. It has been pleasing to see the amazing array of work submitted by students. We hope you enjoy our wonderful display of online learning images in this week's newsletter, including photos of their wonderful environmental dioramas. In week 10, we will be providing a range of English activities that enable the students to demonstrate their knowledge and understandings of sustainability.

Stage 2 Sustainable Environment Dioramas

The students demonstrated some ways that we could make our local environments more sustainable through these wonderful dioramas.







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Stage 3 News

Stage 3 has continued their focus on learning about Antarctica. Through a diverse range of activities in English, science and geography, students have explored the uniqueness of the habitat. The teachers have been excited by the quality of work being uploaded onto the Google Classroom and the students' maturity demonstrated when reflecting on their own learning and when applying teachers feedback. We hope you enjoy our wonderful display of online learning images in this newsletter. In week 10, students will be given an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and understandings gained throughout the term through a final project which will culminate together as a Google Site.

Stage 3 Geography Biomes

The students created models of various biomes found around the world.





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Stage 3 Ice Fishing Experiment

The students explored the properties of ice through a variety of experiments. The aim of this experiment was to pick up ice with either string or wire.



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Student Wellbeing Week

Our Student Wellbeing Team has been working hard over the past few weeks, putting together some initiatives to support the wellbeing of all students across our school. You may have seen some posts in your children's Microsoft Teams with some activities and video links. Each week has had a different theme and focus, with this week's focus being Kindness. We have also put together a resource for parents and families that you can find on our Parent Learning From Home Information website here:

Week 9 Wellbeing - Kindness Information Website

From this page you can also navigate back to our Week 8 theme of Gratitude and our Week 7 theme of Mindfulness.

Next week will also be our Student Wellbeing Week. The students have been putting together some suggestions for activities, with 15 sessions held across the week with our teachers volunteering to run some activities including: STEM challenges, music, art, dance, pirate-themed activities, Lego and a whole lot of food, baking and decorating. All students will be welcome to attend as many of these sessions as they would like across the week. A full description of the activities, along with the recommended audience/required supervision and the equipment or ingredients needed will be provided on our Parent Learning From Home Information website, as well as being sent out on SchoolZine on Friday. You can take a look at the timetable below for an idea about the activities on offer.

Monday 13/09/21	Tuesday 14/09/21	Wednesday 15/09/21	Thursday 16/09/21	Friday 17/09/21
Morning Check in Literacy	Morning Check in Literacy	Morning Check in Literacy	Morning Check in Literacy	K-6 Virtual Assembly LINK
Numeracy 10:30 - 11:30 Mrs Waring & Stage 2 Team Stage 2 Mathematics Launch Explore Summarise Tack	Numeracy	Numeracy 10:30 - 11:30 Ms Pryor & Kindy Team Kindergatern Methemstics Launch Explore Summarise Task 10:30 - 11:30 Mrs Waring & Stage 3 Team Stage 3 Mathematics Launch Explore Summarise Task	Numeracy 9:30 - 10:30 Ms Pryor & Stage I Team Year 2 Methematics Launch Explore Summarise Task 10:30 - 11:30 Ms Pryor & Stage I Team Year I Mathematics Launch Explore Summarise Task	Class Check Ins 10:30 - 11:30 Final class check in for the term in Microsoft Teams.
Session 1 11:30 - 12:30 MISS GALLETTA 8 MRS WITTEY Tallest Tower Challenge - Marshmallow Spaghetti Towers	Session 4 TL30 - TL30 MR TAYLOR Harmony in tunes	Session 7 11:30 - 12:30 MRS PALMERVALE Colours- Rainbow experiment and stones	Session 10 11:30 - 12:30 MRS MCINTOSH Grass Heads	Session 13 11:30 - 12:30 MRS NEWTON Just Dance Party
Session 2 12:30 - 1:30 MRS BUHAGIAR Pirate activities	Session 5 12:30 - 1:30 MRS WARING/ MRS NUNEZ Stem/Art - Lava Lamps	Session 8 12:30 - 1:30 MISS HEATH Lego Masters	Session 11 12:30 - 1:30 MS PRYOR Photography Theory and Photography Hunt	Session 14 12:30 - 1:30 MISS BENNETT Build a Bug Hotel
Session 3 1:30 - 2:30 MR LAVITI Sherbet Sensation	Session 6 1:30 - 2:30 MR LAVITT Making advertising and packet art for sherbet or any other thinos you like	Session 9 1:30 - 2:30 MRS WARING / MRS NUNEZ Animal Toasties	Session 12 1:30 - 2:30 MRS COLLINS Food Art	Session 15 1:30 • 2:30 MR JARMAN Baking Cookies • Student Well being Team Decorating Biscuits

As you can see, to make space for these sessions, we have focused our learning timetable to the morning session with a Morning Check In followed by a single literacy and numeracy activity for each grade or stage on Monday-Thursday. One of these numeracy activities will be in the form of a Live 'Launch Explore Summarise' Task delivered by Ms Pryor and Mrs Waring and the teachers. These lessons will be on different mornings as per the timetable. On Friday we will have a K-6 Assembly delivered remotely, followed by Class Check Ins for all classes.

The modified program will allow students to participate in these afternoon sessions throughout the week. If you are after additional learning activities during the week, we will be providing a link to some Department of Education-designed resources as completely optional tasks. You are also welcome to finish off, catch up on or refine some tasks from previous weeks if you are looking for some extra work. However, we would encourage students to take some time to enjoy the sessions throughout the week and focus on their wellbeing.

To support this, the Student Wellbeing Team has created a Wellbeing Grid for the week that all students can tick off as they complete. Students who complete 12 or more activities and submit a photo/screenshot of their grid can go into the draw for some wellbeing prizes.

All the staff are incredibly proud of the efforts of all students this term and we - along with the Student Wellbeing Team - are really excited for the upcoming week! We hope it's a really great experience for everyone involved. Thanks for your support of this initiative and throughout the term, we are incredibly grateful for all that you've done.

Community Events

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