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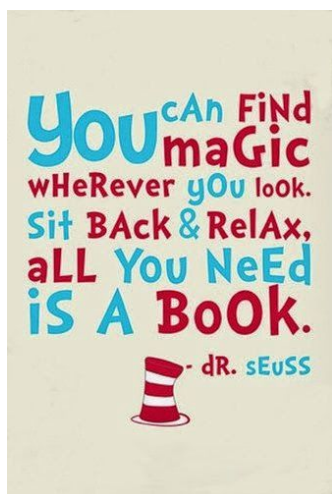
MAKE
YOURSELF
PROUD

TODAY
is the day to
learn something
NEW

Year 2 News - Term 4

Welcome... to term 4! We hope you have had a wonderful break with your families and are ready for an exciting new term ahead!

This term in Literacy... We will be focusing on the structure and features of **Persuasive Writing** and are looking forward to reading and writing lots of great texts, where children share their opinions and the reasoning behind them. We will begin by learning all about debating and developing arguments to support our point of view. We will also be exploring how to write a **Procedure**, and how to sequence steps to reach a final product. Each week, the children will also continue to participate in **'Literacy Team' activities** to develop their grammar, spelling, reading and comprehension skills!



Reading Books

The children will continue to take a new reading book home each week. Please remember that 'take home readers' are intended to be at an 'easy', independent reading level. This allows them to focus on their fluency, and use great expression, when reading aloud.

Ensuring your child is understanding what they are reading is also very important. We can do this by asking both literal and inferential questions throughout the book. It is also assumed that your child **is being read to regularly** - there are many fabulous books in the local library!

Thank you to all the wonderful parents who have volunteered to assist with our **Parent Help Rosters**, we look forward to continuing these in Term 4.

Spelling Journals

Spelling Journals will continue to go home during each 'Purposeful Practice' week. Please ensure your child is practising their words each night, using the **'Look, Say, Sound, Cover, Write, Check'** strategy.

Here is a link to explain how to use this strategy effectively...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zi8cpYKPKrY>

Remember, children don't always have to write the words using pencil and paper. You can 'mix it up' by using magnet letters, whiteboards, or even writing in sand!

This term in Numeracy... our focus will be on:

- Multiplication-Recognising and representing multiplication as repeated addition, groups and arrays.
- Division- Recognising and representing division as grouping into equal sets.
- Location- Interpreting simple maps of familiar locations and identifying the relative position of key features.
- Transformation- Learning to identify, describe and investigate slides, flips and turns.
- Chance-Describing outcomes as 'likely' or 'unlikely' and identifying some events as 'certain' or 'impossible'.
- Data Representation and Interpretation- Gather, collect, classify, display and interpret data, using lists, tables and picture graphs.

HASS - History

This term for History, we will be looking at the past in the present, specifically the importance of a historical site and why it has historical significance and cultural value. We will explore what the past reveals and how it is significant to a community's identity. As part of this unit we will be **visiting the Kalamunda History Village.**



Habits of Mind

This term we will focus on the following **Habits of Mind...**

Managing Impulsivity:

- Take our time
- Thinking before acting
- Remaining calm
- Thoughtful and understanding

Finding Humour:

- Laugh a little
- Trying to appreciate others humour
- Being able to laugh at yourself is a good thing!



Religious Education

Our first unit will be 'Empowered to Love'. This unit will explore the way Jesus loved, and how one of the greatest human yearnings is the yearning to love and to be loved.

We will also be looking at the strength we receive from the Holy Spirit gained through the Sacraments. We will begin by wondering at the human experience of love, doing what is good by others, and wonder at the God who created love. Following this, we will explore Jesus' love for others, and how the Holy Spirit can offer us strength.

Our second unit will be 'Truth of the Gospels'. This unit begins with wondering at the human experience of learning. We will explore the learning gifts of curiosity, memory and thought. This unit then teaches us that Jesus also learned. Many of the things that Jesus learned are shared with his followers in a group of books from the Bible called the Gospels. Christians celebrate the Bible, including the Gospels, as the Word of God, which teaches God's truths. During Advent, in preparation for Christmas, Christians read and special stories from the Gospels.

The Fruits of the Holy Spirit for this term are **Faithfulness** followed by **Patience**.

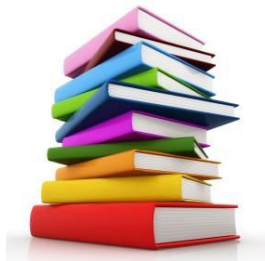
Thank you!

We hope you find all of this information useful. Please see the following page for important dates that are coming up this term. We can't wait to start term 3!

Miss Candice Agustsson and Mrs Kristy Bull

Important Dates Term 4

PURPOSEFUL PRACTICE



A homework grid will be sent home for...

Week 2-3

Week 4-5

Week 7-8

As per our school policy, there is no homework in Week 1, 6 and 10.

We ask you to support your child in developing the important organisational skills needed to complete the various aspects of our PP Grids. Please ensure each grid is completed, signed and returned to school on the due date. Please continue to check and sign your child's Spelling Journal and Reading Log each week.

2 WAY INTERVIEWS

2 Way Interviews (Parent and Teacher) will take place during weeks **7 and 8**.

This is an excellent opportunity to sit together and celebrate the progress and achievements your child has made across all learning areas, and to explore future learning goals.

Further information will be provided in regards to booking a time to meet with your teacher closer to the date.

KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE EXCURSION

The Excursion will be on Friday **12 November** (Week 6).

The Year Two students will go to the Kalamunda History Village in week 6. More information will be provided closer to the date.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Christmas Concert will be held on the **30th November** at **5.30pm** (Week 8).

This is a great opportunity to see what your child has been learning in Edudance this term. We can't wait to show you!



TERM 3 IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER...

OCTOBER

- Monday 8th - Pupil Free Day
- Friday the 19th - P&F Colour Run
- Thursday 25th - Interschool Athletics Carnival

NOVEMBER

- Wednesday 7th - 8am Community Mass
- Friday 12th - Kalamunda History Village
- Weeks 7 and 8 - 2-Way Parent Teacher Interviews
- Friday 24th - Subway Lunch
- Friday 30th - Christmas Concert at 5.30pm

DECEMBER

- Wednesday 5th - Water Fun Day
- Thursday 6th - Semester Two Reports available of SEQTA.
- Friday 7th - Students' last day



