

# Grade 4 Term 3 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 3!

It will be another action-packed, filled to the brim, exciting term in Grade 4. We have new topics to explore, Reading Rocks to continue, sport activities, excursions, Footy Day, 3 Way conferences, and of course, the amazing school production!

Hold on to your hats...it's going to be a fun and busy term!



## EVENTS

| Date                             |   |
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| Monday 30th July                 | 3/4 Choir Excursion (TBC)                         |
| Tuesday 31st July                | ICAS English competition (participating students) |
| Tuesday 14th August              | ICAS Mathematics (participating students)         |
| Friday 17th August               | District Athletics (participating students)       |
| Friday 24th August               | Footy Day   |
| Tuesday 24th of September        | Curriculum Day—3 Way Conferences                  |
| Tues 11th and Mon 12th September | Production  |
| Friday 21st of September         | Last day of Term 3                                |



## PRODUCTION



We have already begun practising for our exciting production. This year we are looking forward to the adventures of Jack and Liza Periwinkle as they join forces with a motley crew to battle pirates, rescue their mum, retrieve a stolen map, find the treasure....all while singing some hilarious songs! Surprises and chaos await our heroes in the swash-buckling adventures of Pirates of the Curry Bean.

More information will be coming out soon!



## NEW HOMEWORK

A **new** homework matrix will be going home this term. Please encourage your child to complete their tasks and sign it off. It is vital that children **read** at least four nights during the week. An adult should sign the diary to show how long the student has read. Homework is due every Thursday.

Remember to encourage your child to **practise their spelling and times-tables** too!

## Please remember...

**If your child is absent** from school for any reason it is a requirement that you log the reason for the absence on Compass. Please refer to your Compass log in details, should you need assistance please see the office.



## PLAY IS THE WAY

The students favourite games at the moment are Bulls Eye, Islands and Robots! They are teaching us about team work, being brave to participate and creating strategies to improve. Next term we will be exploring the next two life-raft concepts: **Pursue Your Personal Best No Matter Who You Work With** and **It Takes Great Strength To Be Sensible**.

Why don't you ask your child to teach you one of the games we play?



## MATHS



In Maths during Term 3, Grade 4 are focusing on Multiplication and Division. We will be looking at solving problems using a variety of strategies and methods. In multiplication the standard for Grade 4 is to solve 2 and 3 digit numbers times by 1 digit numbers, and then to divide numbers by one digit without leaving remainders. We also explore the relationship between division and multiplication and various sequencing patterns.

The students will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes, Area, Volume, Transformation and Symmetry . Remember to be practising the times-tables. This should include both the multiplication and division facts, such as  $3 \times 4 = 12$ ,  $4 \times 3 = 12$  and  $12 \div 4 = 3$  Or  $12 \div 4 = 3$ .

We are continuing to learn the 4, 5, 6 times-tables and will begin focussing on the 8s and 9s later in the term.

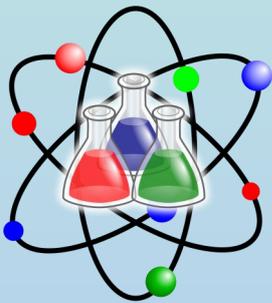
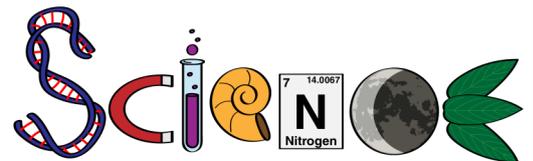
Don't forget to keep working on your Manga High tasks, too!



## INQUIRY

This term our Inquiry unit is called "Forces and Functions". It is a science and technology based unit delving into the worlds of physics and programming.

Students will be exploring forces and designing and building their own balloon powered car, as well as paper planes. We will also discuss and investigate what engineers and scientists do!



## LITERACY

We are excited about our literacy units for Term 3. We will be studying different authors and comparing their work. The authors are Aaron Blabey and Graham Base. Later in the term we will also compare fairy tales. In writing we are exploring persuasive texts, as well as letters in different formats. Our VCOP focus will be on capital letters, quotation marks, question marks and apostrophes. We will also be investigating homophones, emotive language and using interesting connectives.

Towards the end of term we are hoping to create and record ads using various technology and programs.

