



## Years 1 and 2 Term 4 Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a very busy Term 4. We hope you enjoyed the sunshine during the holidays and have come back to school refreshed and ready to learn.

Our Inquiry and Religion topic for this Term is Celebration.



Students will be given the opportunity to explore how and why people celebrate, identify how and why families celebrate and identify how and why communities celebrate.

Students will also explore how nations celebrate their unique history, culture and identity and explore some significant Australian commemorations and celebrations. We will explore some significant religious and cultural celebrations and compare and contrast how Christmas is celebrated around the world.

In Literacy, we will be focussing our attention to Persuasive Writing. We will introduce the topic with OREO Writing. OREO stands for - opinion, reason, example and opinion. Students will learn how to express an opinion and back that opinion up with reasons and examples. Later in the term we will expose students to letter writing.



Cafe Reading continues to reinforce strategies to make each student an independent and confident reader.

In Numeracy, we will continue with our counting groups reinforcing number patterns to 1000 and beyond. Students will work consistently with Number, working at the level of their own ability, ensuring they have good number knowledge to solve problems and work mathematically.



Other topics this term include Multiplication and Division, Money and Chance. While all of this terrific learning takes place, we will also be conducting end of year testing in both Literacy and Numeracy. This testing allows us to see the wonderful growth each student has achieved and celebrate in their success.

As with each other Term, we will continue on with our Student Wellbeing Berry Street Program, which gives each student strategies to help regulate themselves, be confident learners, risk takers and awesome all rounders.



We also have the Swimming Program this term and an excursion to The Enchanted Adventure Garden at Arthurs Seat. Dates for both events will follow in the calendar.

## Term 4 Calendar



**Monday 16th October** - Grandparents Day

**Monday 11th November** - School Closure Day

**Tuesday 12th November** - Melbourne Cup

**Friday 24th November** - Excursion - Enchanted Adventure Garden

**Monday 27th - Friday 1st December** - Swimming Program

**Friday 8th December** - Step Up Lunch and Afternoon Activities

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** - Carols night picnic 6:30pm  
Carols 7pm

**Thursday 14th December** - End of Year Mass

**Wednesday 20th December** – Last day of school  
3:15pm

We are all looking forward to a very busy, jammed pack term.

Please feel free to contact our team at any time about any enquiries or issues you might be having. Our doors are always open.

Regards

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