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Stage 2 - Term 4 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 4! How time flies! We hope you were able to spend some time resting, playing and catching up as a family over the holiday. As it is Term 4, students are reminded to wear their school hats when playing outside. Sunscreen is available for use in the classroom, however, please pack a personal sunscreen in your child's bag if s/he has sensitive skin. It is appreciated if you could check and replenish your child(ren)'s pencil case with stationery, particularly pencils and erasers.

School Events

Week 2: Book Fair and Open Day

Week 3: Newcombe Ball Gala Day

Weeks 5 & 6: Swim School

Week 10: Presentation Day, Class Party and Talent Quest

Learning Focus

There is no major project for homework this term. Students will receive their weekly spelling lists and maths activities for homework. Reading is an important part of a student's daily homework.

In English, we will be studying a picture book, *The Island* by John Heffernan and Peter Sheehan for our Quality Literature unit. We will learn to write persuasive and narrative texts in our writing lessons this term. As always, our spelling, grammar and handwriting units complement our literature and writing units.

In maths, we will focus on Patterns & Algebra, Length, Chance, Area, Quadrilaterals, Volume and Capacity, and Time. Our science unit is on the study of soil and soil types, and the impact of human activity. We will be learning about Earth's environments (local and distant) in geography. For personal development health and physical education, we will be exploring sun and road safety. We are excited to have Healthy Harold lead our learning on Friends and Feelings. Fitness activities occur three days a week with sport on Friday afternoon. Students continue their adventures in music and drama with Mrs Lanyon, and library lessons with Ms Shute.

We would like to remind all students that mobile phones must be checked in with the office before school starts, and collected at the end of the school day.

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