

Newsletter

Term 3 – Week 8

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Diary Dates

Every Day: Don't forget our NO NUT Policy

September

8th: Footy Day Lunch

12th: School Council

14th Book Club payments due

15th: Subway

21st: Australiana School

Concert

22nd :

- Last Day of Term
- No Canteen
- Early dismissal at 2.30

October

9th: Term 4 Commences

November

29th: School Camp

30th: School Camp

December

1st: School Camp

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Even though we are in the first week of spring we have experienced very cold weather this week, with snow falling on both Monday and Tuesday. The students have managed well and while they have been able to enjoy some outside play, there has also been times when we have decided to have them inside because of the severe conditions. As spring progresses it is important to ensure that all clothing items are named. Children will often remove their jumpers/jackets as the day progresses and it makes it much easier to find the right owner when items are named.

A reminder regarding our Literacy and Numeracy Week Celebration in conjunction with our Footy Colours Day this Friday 8th September. This year students have a choice of dressing in footy colours or dressing up as a book character. At 9.00am we will have a parade, providing the students with the chance to show off either their footy colours or their book character. Parents are most welcome to attend. Please remember that Footy Day lunch orders are due back tomorrow, Thursday 7th September.

As I mentioned last week students are very busy preparing for the Australiana School Concert. An order form for tickets went home last Friday. Tickets will be allocated on a first in basis.

On Friday afternoons for the next two weeks we are planning on doing some tidying up of garden beds and the vegie patches. If any parent is able to assist from 3.00 pm until home time your help would be greatly appreciated.

Last week we started to get the school website up to date. Each week the School Newsletter and the Learning Chronicle will be available on the site. We will progressively get more information on to the webpage.

Kind regards
Glenda Miller

Senior and Middle News

Learning Summary

Literacy

In literacy this week the middles and seniors have continued their work with procedural writing. Students have been focusing on the importance of giving detailed steps in order to complete a successful procedure. To illustrate this, students have created their own map giving careful instructions on how to get to a certain destination, made lemonade and a procedure on how they made it, written a procedure on tying their shoelaces and planting a bean and what their procedure would be if they were king or queen for a day.

Numeracy

In numeracy this week the middles and the seniors have continued their work with division. The middles have begun to look at solving word problems associated with division and the seniors have been revising how to solve more complicated division equations utilising the correct mathematical format and using decimals in their answers.

Science

In science this week the 'Change Detectives' have been looking at density. Students explored density and molecular polarity through making lava lamps. Students thoroughly enjoyed this experiment especially getting to keep their own lava lamp.

Student of the Week

Middle

The student of week for the middles this week goes to **Robert**! Robert has received the student of the week award for his excellent classroom behaviour and his contributions and effort with our upcoming concert. Well done Robert!

Senior

The student of the week for the seniors goes to **Elektra**! Elektra has received the student of the week award for her work with division and helping out within the classroom.

Junior Unit News

Well, the Prep (Foundation) students were very excited when the snow started to fall on Monday. Truth be told, we were all quite excited to see it. There is nothing like having the snowflakes land on your tongue!

In English this week we are starting to study poetry. We have been listening for rhyming words. We have discovered that even when words end in the same sound they don't always end with the same spelling. We are going to be writing our own poems as well.

This week in Maths we have been looking a little further into sharing and division. We are using arrays to solve division problems as well as making our own number stories to demonstrate our understanding of sharing.

Over the term, our Integrated Studies unit 'Growing Older and Wiser' has seen us develop a better understanding of ourselves. We have investigated healthy foods and how they help our growth. We have also considered how we express emotions, what is involved in safe risk-taking and what makes us the same and different from others. Overall, it has been a unit that has generated a lot of valuable discussion. We are fortunate to have the Grade 2's join us for these sessions.



Student of the Week

Addison Johnston – For your increasing confidence when reading independently
Great job, Addi!