

# Stage 1 Term 4 Newsletter 2023

Welcome to Term Four. This is an exciting and very busy term.

Classroom activities this term will involve the following:

## English

**Oral Language and Communication** is linked to our English and Science Units.

We ask that all students plan their speech. They are being encouraged to write or draw their ideas on small palm cards or in a book.

**Week 1: What I did in the holidays.** (English)

**Week 2: My goals for Term 4.** What do you want to achieve for the last term of the Year? e.g. Read a book a week? Swim 25 metres.

**Week 3: Explain how one of my toys works.** (Science)

**Week 4: Pocket Surprise**

**Week 5: Prepare and present a 2-minute speech on a topic you are passionate about** e.g. a sport, animal or a big topic like 'protecting our oceans'. Have your speech prepared on palm cards for your news day. Don't forget to practise your speech at home first! (Public Speaking)

**Week 6: Explain how the motion of 'Push and Pull' helps one of your household appliances work.** This could be a toaster, can opener, garlic press.

**Week 7: Free Choice**

**Week 8: My most enjoyable experience of Yr 1 or Yr 2.**

**Week 9: Things I do to be a good friend.**

**Week 10: Free Choice**

**Week 11: Free Choice**

## Home readers

We ask that all home readers be returned by Friday, 1 December.

## Mathematics

In all aspects of Mathematics, emphasis is on conceptual understanding, language and practical activities that enable children to explore numbers and their relationships.

In line with this, addition and subtraction will be revised. We will introduce three dimensional objects, volume and capacity and concepts of measuring mass.

## **HSIE: Families Past and Present continued**

The topic provides a study of present and past family life within the context of the students' own worlds. Students will continue to learn about similarities and differences in family life by comparing the present with the past. They will begin to explore the links, and the changes that occur, over time and are introduced to the use of historical sources.

To consolidate this unit, Stage 1 will visit the NSW Old School House Museum on Friday, 27 October 2023. **A note will be sent home through the Sentral app with details.**

## **Science and Technology: Push and Pull**

**Inquiry question:** What are the different forms of energy around us and how can we detect them? And how are forces used for a purpose?

Our science unit allows students to further develop their understanding of forces and energy and how these can be used for specific purposes in products.

*If any parent/ family member would like to contribute to this unit, please see your class teacher.*

## **Physical Education**

Year 1 are to wear their sports uniform on **Thursdays**.

Year 2 are to wear their sports uniforms on **Wednesdays**.

**Please remember to check the school newsletter and Sentral app for upcoming events, permission forms and activities.**

Thank you to all parents for your continued support. We look forward to a great term!

Regards,

Stage 1 Teachers