

Grade 4

Term 3 Newsletter



Glen Iris
PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 3 DATES

JULY

Monday 17

Beginning of Term 3

AUGUST

Friday 11

Jeans 4 Genes Day

Tuesday 29

French Day (dress up)

Wednesday 30

Father's Day Breakie

Friday 18

House Athletics

SEPTEMBER

Friday 1st

Father's Day Stall

Mon 4 – Fri 8

Life Ed Van

Monday 11

**Yr.4 Excursion to
Polly Woodside**

Friday 22

End of term

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to yet another busy and exciting term in Grade Four! We extend an official warm welcome to Mrs Sue Crothers, who has been appointed to Grade 4CG. 3 -Way Conferences have been a main focus early this term. Now completed, students can gear up for lessons in history around 'The First Fleet.'

LITERACY

To tie into our inquiry topic, whole class reading this term will focus on the structure of Historical Letters in the context of simulated letters and diary entries of the convicts in the First Fleet. Later in the term we will be focusing on Persuasive texts, where one viewpoint is taken and supported with evidence. Students will continue to be exposed to quality literature and different authors through weekly Library visits and the introduction of Reading Circles. During writing sessions, students will be encouraged to explore a variety of writing genres to continue to develop their knowledge and skills. Weekly formal handwriting sessions will enable students to practice and demonstrate their handwriting skills: clearly formed, joined letters and increased fluency. This term students are working towards earning their pen licences. Our weekly spelling program we will continue to build upon student's knowledge. A focus is always on using both simple and complex sentences and correct grammar in our writing.

NUMERACY

In Numeracy, our focus will continue to be on Number concepts. Students will continue to explore the place value system, recognising that it can be extended to tenths and hundredths. Work will commence in the area of fractions and decimal notation and how they are connected. Working with and understanding money, will also be a focus. Applied topics this term will include collecting, displaying and interpreting data; shapes, location, angles and temperature. Problem solving will continue to be a focus throughout all Numeracy topics.

INQUIRY TOPIC

This term we are learning about 'The First Fleet'. We will be researching the journey(s) of Early European World explorers and the areas of Australia they mapped. We will be hearing stories of the First Fleet, including reasons for the journey, who travelled to Australia, and their experiences following arrival. Students will head to Polly Woodside for a fabulous historical tour.

A FEW REMINDERS

DIARIES

Diaries are to be taken home every night and brought back to school each day. Diaries will be signed each week on a Friday, by teachers.

HOMEWORK

Homework is distributed Tuesdays and is due back the following Thursday. Homework will involve topics that your children have worked on the previous week to consolidate learning and challenge their thinking.

HOME READING

Students should be reading for 15-20 minutes every day. Home reading is to be recorded in student's diaries each night. Please help your child ensure this is completed.

GRADE 4 WEEKLY TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	French 4C PE 4TJ Arts 4S	French 4TJ & 4S Visual Art 4TJ & 4C Performing Arts 4C & 4S	Performing Arts 4TJ Library (all)	Assembly (alternate weeks) P.E 4C & 4S

Please come and see us if you need any clarification on any of the above information.
We thank you for your ongoing support!

Grade Four Teachers

Tanya Tomic, Niki Judd, James Smith, Sue Crothers and Jill Gorman.