

Kindergarten News- Term 3

Welcome back to Term 3. We have another busy and exciting term planned for Kindergarten that has started with the Athletics Carnival on Friday 27th July. It was a lovely sunny day at the oval and our students did a great job participating in a range of events including running races, sack races and egg and spoon races.

Plural Rules:

- most times you just add -s
- ends in y - drop the y and add -ies
- ends in ch, s, sh, x, or z - add -es
- ends in f or fe - drop the f and add -ves



This term we will continue to learn new sight words. We will finish introducing word families, such as -ot and -op, as well as consonant digraphs, such as sh, ch, th, wh, ng, ck and ph. We will also look at the suffixes that can change word tense (-ed, -ing) and make plurals (-s, -es).



Our home reading program will continue this term in the same way. A book at your child's level that has been read in class during the previous week will be sent home. This makes the home reader a 'familiar read' for students and makes the experience of home reading more enjoyable. Students can then be encouraged to practice reading fluently and with expression, to spot sight words and punctuation and talk about the meaning of a story. Please remember that the red home reading folder contains information to assist you with this program, including the strategies that students can use to decode as they read.



UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- **Monday 30th July**
Gymnastics starts for Kindergarten
- **Tuesday 7th August**
K-2 Italian Day in the canteen
- **Wednesday 8th August**
KT and KK Concert night
- **Thursday 9th August**
KL and KH Concert night
- **Friday 24th August**
Father's Day Mufti
- **Friday 31st August**
Father's Day Stall

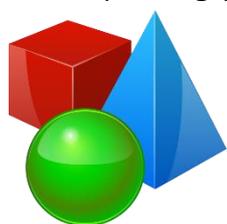
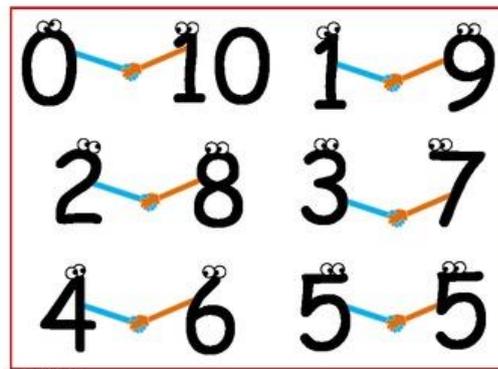


TERM 3 REMINDERS

Mondays	KH Library
	Sport- Gymnastics
Wednesdays	Scripture
	Fitness
	KL Library
Thursdays	Banking
	KT/ KK Library
Fridays	Fun Run (optional)

This semester students will be presenting speaking tasks to the class as they discuss and reflect on their learning during Discovery Time. There will be no fortnightly topic lists sent home. Our focus will still be on using eye contact and speaking clearly but also explaining their learning with reasons. These speaking tasks are an important part of the 'talking and listening' strand of Literacy which students are assessed on.

In number, we will continue revising counting forwards and backwards and introduce joining two groups to add, taking away to subtract, and comparing groups to find the difference. We will continue learning about patterns and how to recognise when an error occurs in the repeating part of a pattern. We will also introduce



friends of ten (1 and 9, 2 and 8 etc) and breaking numbers into two or more parts, which is called partitioning.

In measurement, we will be learning to describe and compare 3D objects by looking at their flat and curved surfaces. We will be comparing volumes of objects and the capacity of containers. We will also be learning to describe the position of an object and to give and follow directions e.g. forwards, turn right, turn left.

This term we will be starting our "Staying Alive" Discovery Time units that include science and creative arts. Students will be learning to care for living things such as themselves, plants and animals through dramatic play, sensory activities, construction, design and visual arts.



We will be starting our history unit of work on "My Family".



In Personal Development, Health and Physical Education our unit will be "Me and My Friends". Our sport program will be run on Mondays this term by Sports in Schools Australia. Students will be learning how to move safely whilst participating in gymnastics. We will be running Fitness on Wednesdays with students rotating through activities including using the fixed equipment, playing playground games, such as Duck-Duck-Goose, catching, throwing and bouncing balls, and running for fun.

This term students will be required to wear sports shoes (preferably black) on Mondays and Wednesdays. For those students who wear dresses it would be ideal if they wore bike shorts underneath as gymnastics will involve rolling movements on the mats.

