



Cheltenham East Primary School TERM 3 NEWSLETTER



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Welcome back to Term 3

It is lovely to be back and see the children so keen to begin Term 3! The children have returned refreshed with lots of exciting holiday stories to share. Term 3 will prove to be a busy and very enjoyable term as we celebrate Book Week and prepare for our school concert. We looking forward to continuing to support your wonderful children to grown and learn throughout Term 3.

SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

Specialist	1C	1DK	1S
Music (Sue Digby)	Mon	Tues	Mon
Italian (Stella Mondy)	Mon	Mon	Tues
PE (Bec Robinson)	Tues	Mon	Mon
Art (Suzanne Reid)	Thursday		
Library Rotations	Tuesday		
Science Lab	Wednesday		
Peaceful Classrooms	Thursday		

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 16th August: Taskworks excursion.
- 21st August: Book Week begins.
- 22nd August: Book Character Parade.
- 23rd August: Grandparent's and Special Friend's Day.
- 24th August: Book Fair closes.
- 24th August: Art incursion.
- 1st September: Father's Day stall.
- 15th September: School Concert.
- 19th September: Footy Day.
- 22nd September: Last day of Term 3.



Our rolls are legal documents therefore we must be accountable for any absences. Please assist with this by informing the school with an email or phone call and we will record the absence on our electronic roll.

Reading

We had some very positive feedback from parents regarding the Comprehension tip sheets we sent home last term. It was lovely to hear so many parents commenting that they were finding these resources really useful.

Please continue to read with your child every night and sign their yellow book.

Remember to refer to the take home sheet to support you in your questioning techniques with your child.

Please send your child to school with a piece of fruit, cheese or yoghurt for fruit break EVERY DAY. Fruit break time is an opportunity for the students to stop and enjoy a healthy snack.

Please remember to keep updated with CEPS information using Website: <http://www.cheltenhameast.vic.edu.au> and the tiqbiz app.

LITERACY



Our Literacy Rotations continue this term with Guided Reading groups, Word Study, ICT and Spelling, each week. Your child's reading skills will continue to be extended and further developed through these focus sessions. Our key lesson focus in these sessions will continue to include, fluency, using expression, chunking, blending sounds, sounding out and many more.

Students will continue to enjoy their weekly Writing sessions and will be exposed to the specific text structures of Reports, Procedures and Expositions as well as Recounts. This term we will really be encouraging the students to further develop their editing skills.

Synthetic Phonics and the Get Reading Right: Synthetic Phonics approach to spelling, continues this term. Students will continue to be supported in ability based groups focussing on specific sounds and blends using a fun, multi-sensory approach.

We continue to have weekly explicit teacher led lessons in spelling and follow up consolidation activities during our Literacy block.

S.T.E.M

S.T.E.M is a more recent addition to our curriculum which the students have really enjoyed. S.T.E.M stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. S.T.E.M is important because it pervades every part of our lives. S.T.E.M lessons provide students with a real world problem and resources to plan, create and test solutions as they try to solve the problem. Students are challenged to trust their own ideas and abilities and to recognize and celebrate that their invention may differ to that of their peers. S.T.E.M supports students to be 'out of the box thinkers' and incorporates many concepts which will help students develop an awareness and an appreciation for the world

PEACFUL CLASSROOMS

Students will continue this term to be engaged in regular Mindfulness sessions in the classroom. The children thoroughly enjoy these sessions, which allow them to tune into their emotions, to calm their body and their mind.



MATHS



This term the students will continue to learn more about number and the strategies used when solving addition and subtraction problems. We will be exploring two and three dimensional shapes and students will become familiar with terminology and the language used to describe different shapes and their features. We will have lots of fun investigating location and we will encourage students to understand, use and create maps and use specific language to describe location, position and direction. When learning about time, students will be supported to tell the time to the half hour. They will explore duration of time in months, weeks, days and hours. Number talks will continue to be part of our Maths sessions and it is wonderful to see the children developing their thinking and reasoning skills. Weekly problem solving lessons will also continue and it is encouraging to see the children use a range of problem solving skills with greater confidence. Year 1 students will continue to be grouped for all Math's sessions, according to their point of need in learning.

INQUIRY LEARNING

This term, our inquiry focus is 'My Life, My Technology.'

Students will be exploring how the use of technology in family life has changed or remained the same over time. We will be looking at the effect technology has had on our lifestyle and family life, including household object such as the telephone, washing machine, dishwasher and more.

Students will be engaged in an exploration of Technology at our excursion to Task Works on Wednesday 16th August.

SCIENCE

This term children will be exploring a new unit called 'Look, Listen!' which is part of a Physical Science unit. Our focus will be on exploring light and sound. Students will investigate light and sound in nature and how light and sound is created by manmade objects and our environment. Students will have the opportunity to create light and sound through hands on experiences.

