



Cheltenham East Primary School TERM 3 NEWSLETTER



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Wow! Term 3 is here!

Already past the halfway mark! Our students are certainly stepping up to the plate in preparing themselves for transitioning to high school.

Our students are also eagerly learning lines, songs and dance moves in preparation for 'Splash' later in the term. Rehearsals are already taking place during lunchtimes.

We look forward to sharing news of high school placements in mid-August.

Our door, as always, is open!

Julie, Lauren, and Patrick

HOMEWORK

Homework will continue to be given out weekly. To prepare the students for secondary school we will be varying the days that homework is given and due back, however we will ensure that students are still given adequate time to complete the set tasks. You will notice a continued emphasis on the development of reading skills through book club responses. Mathematics is being used both in the classroom for teaching as well as a consolidation tool for homework. If you have any access issues, students are able to use computers during school breaks. If your child is unsure of a task or mathematics concept, please let us know prior to the due date. You can get in touch with us in person or via email.

CLASSROOM HELPERS

As we have the school concert this term we will require assistance with the organisation of costumes. If you are able to assist with this or in any other way your help will be much appreciated.

Specialist Timetable

	6J	6L	6P
ART (Mrs Reid)	Wed	Wed	Wed
LOTE (Signora Mondy)	Tue	Wed	Tue
P.E. (Mrs Robinson)	Thu	Tue	Tue
Music (Mrs Digby)	Tue	Tue	Wed

UPCOMING EVENTS

2 August: Yr 3—6 House Athletics

2 August: School Disco

7 August: Secondary School placement letters sent home

13 August: Whole School Maths and Science Day

16 August: Curriculum Day

Week Beginning 19 August: Book Week

20 August: Character Parade

21 August: Grandparents' Day

30 August: Fathers Day Stall

11 September: School Concert

20 September: Last day of term (2.30pm dismissal)



Our rolls are legal documents therefore we must be accountable for any absences. Please assist with this by logging absences through Sentral. Alternatively, you may still inform the school with a phone call to the office or a Dojo to your class teacher in the event of your child being away.

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

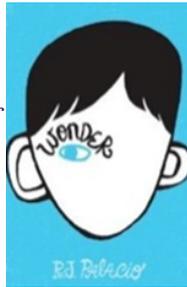
ENGLISH

Reading

This term we will be reading the novel “Wonder” by RJ Palacio as our grade read aloud text. Our focus will be on character development, theme, and point of view.

I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse.

August (Auggie) Pullman was born with a facial deformity that prevented him from going to a mainstream school—until now. He's about to start 5th grade at Beecher Prep, and if you've ever been the new kid then you know how hard that can be. The thing is, Auggie's just an ordinary kid, with an extraordinary face. But can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, despite appearances?



R. J. Palacio has written a spare, warm, uplifting story that will have readers laughing one minute and wiping away tears the next. With wonderfully realistic family interactions (flawed, but loving), lively school scenes, and short chapters, Wonder is accessible to readers of all levels.

Speaking & Listening

This term we have a focus on developing our oral presentation skills in preparedness for the concert. Students will also be taking part in a persuasive speech competition where the rewards are highly sought after!

Writing

Writing speeches will be at the fore of our learning as well as taking opportunities to consolidate other writing genres when time permits. Naturally, we will continue to teach orthography, vocabulary and grammar in addition to the craft of writing. Expect to have some hearty debates at home. Apologies in advance for their growing persuasive language skills!

When preparing your child's lunchbox, please avoid nuts and nut products as we have children with allergies across the school. Thank you

MATHS

Number and Algebra

(Sub strand: Fractions, decimals and percentages)

(Sub strand: Patterns and Algebra)

As well as learning new skills, students will be given the opportunity to develop their understandings through peer learning opportunities and by selecting their own areas of learning. There will be a strong emphasis on developing our skills in applying math concepts to 'real world' problems.

The mathematics content within our homework schedule will be consolidation work selected by the student and directed by prior achievement of learning.

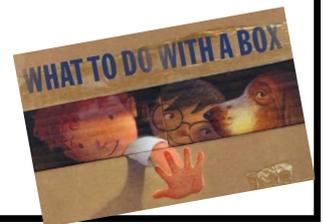
It is also important that students continue to develop their automatic recall of number facts, especially times tables.



HUMANITIES & SCIENCE

The classroom is literally a buzz of excitement! This term sees the launch of the CEPS electricity challenge, combining specific electrical circuit teaching as well as precise design and technology techniques. Our students will soon be excitedly plotting what creations they can invent.

Thank you for helping the students collect any donations of cardboard or other resources!



CEPS Kids Are Friendly Kids

This program focuses on the skills necessary for maintaining positive relationships. This term the value our school is focusing on is CO-OPERATION. Opportunities will be provided for students to explore the skill of the week using age appropriate activities. At home, please reinforce the skill highlighted in the newsletter each week. Monday morning assembly awards will be given to children leading by example. Parents of award recipients will be notified by the classroom teacher via Dojo prior to Monday's assembly.

This term's Wellbeing sessions will continue to be focused around the Resilience Project. Students will complete activities concentrating on **gratitude**, **empathy**, **mindfulness** and **emotional literacy**.