



Cheltenham East Primary School TERM 2 NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to Term 2

Welcome back! It is great to see so many students well rested and ready to begin another fun filled term. We have enjoyed hearing the students share many stories about their holiday adventures and experiences. This term will bring many new challenges and learning experiences and we look forward to watching the students grow as independent learners.

UPCOMING EVENTS

24/4: Australian Landmarks Expo 2:30-3:00pm
25/4: ANZAC Day Public Holiday
10/5: Mother's Day stall
14/5: Baker's Delight Pizza Lunch day
27/5: Student Free Day
10/6: King's Birthday Public Holiday
21/6: Melbourne Sealife Aquarium Excursion
21/6: School Disco
24/6: Reports released
25/6: Curriculum Day & Parent Teacher Interviews
27/6: Special Food Day
28/6: End of term 2:30pm dismissal



Home Reading

Reading regularly (for approximately 20 minutes every day) improves both reading and writing outcomes. Reading together at home should be relaxed, enjoyable and positive.

Vary the sessions to best support your child's needs by having them read to you while you listen, read to your child or take turns reading.

Your classroom teacher will inform you of your child's reading goals and keep you up to date with our focus in our phonics and comprehension lessons.



Other Home Activities

- Mathletics– Tasks assigned regularly
- Phonics Hero
- High Frequency Words (Magic Words)-practise fluency

SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

	2A	2B
P.E (Bec Robinson)	Tues	Fri
Italian (Stella Mondy)	Thurs	Thurs
Music (Sue Digby)	Mon	Tues
Art (Suzanne Reid)	Tues	Mon
Science (Nahal A)	Thurs	Tues
Library	Tues	Mon
Whole School Assembly	Friday 3:00pm	

BREAKS:

Recess– 10:40-11:10

Fruit Break– 12:00

Lunch-12:50-1:50

*We do have children with medical alerts so please refrain from packing **nut** products.*

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence. You can do this via Sentral, School Absence Line - 9584 7240; Dojo or email your class teacher (listed at the top). Please ensure that you give the child's name, reason & date of absence.

The roll is taken at the beginning of each day and if your child is absent and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained. If this occurs, our school will text/call you as soon as practicable on the day the student is not at school and you haven't notified the school as to why.

If your child is late to school please get a 'late pass' from the office to hand to your teacher.

School starts at 9 am and arriving late can be very unsettling for students and teachers.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Due to our healthy food policy, cakes and sweets are not allowed to be handed out to the class to celebrate special occasions, including birthdays.

You are welcome to provide other healthy options or non-food products to celebrate but instead of packing something to share with the class we will make their day special in other ways at school.

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

ENGLISH

The English strands of the Victorian curriculum are:
Reading and Viewing, Writing, and Speaking and Listening.

Reading

Students continue to participate in daily phonics sessions. This term, our phonics program will reinforce and build upon students' previous knowledge and will introduce them to letter (grapheme) representations that are less common, e.g. wr, ph. During guided reading sessions, the teacher will work with your child in achieving the individual goals that have been set for them. Our comprehension lessons will focus on asking questions, finding facts, identifying the main idea and stopping, thinking and rereading for meaning.



Writing

This term we are focusing on writing fairy tales (narratives) and texts to persuade. Students will explore the text structure and language features of each text type. They will practise using the strategy "Show don't Tell", using their five senses to add detail and description to their stories to help create a mental picture in the readers' minds. Students will continue to focus on using punctuation correctly, including proper nouns and words in lists, and apply their phonological knowledge to spell unfamiliar words. Proper letter formation and positioning will be a focus.



Speaking and listening

Students will develop their speaking and listening skills during circle time activities, and group and individual presentations. They will practise expressing their ideas in appropriate ways and using suitable vocabulary to make their understandings clear.

WELLBEING

Our School Values are **Courtesy**, **Respect**, **Cooperation** and **Responsibility**. Each week all classes will engage in a The Respectful Relationships sessions as well as discuss our CEPS Skill of the Week. These lessons will encourage the development of skills that promote our school values and the positive and personal growth of all students.



MATHS

This Term students will build on their knowledge of addition and subtraction, chance and telling the time to the quarter hour. We will also be looking at the months and seasons of the year and identifying the features of calendars.



Students will participate in weekly problem solving investigations. Students will learn how to interpret worded problems and use a range of strategies to solve them. Students will explain how they solved the problem using mathematical language.

HUMANITIES

Our unit this term links closely with our science unit. Students will explore the earth's resource of water and how important it is to our lives at school, at home and to local businesses. They will compare the uses of water in the past and present and how it was important to the survival of Indigenous Australians. Students will investigate different water sources and where they are located. They will research the ways that they can conserve water and keep it clean and healthy to care for species living in these environments. Students will visit the Aquarium to reinforce this message.



Communication

Keep an eye on Sentral through the school website for information about upcoming events, incursions or excursions.

Sentral is used to communicate the following:

- Important information/reminders
- Promotion of events/excursion/incursions

Class Dojo is used to communicate the following:

- 1:1 communication between teachers and families
- Staff posting picture to celebrate classroom learning or school events.

(**Sentral: If you have lost your account details, please contact:**

Sentral.Admin@cheltenhameast.vic.edu.au

You need to include your full name and your child's full name and grade.)