



Cheltenham East Primary School TERM 2 NEWSLETTER



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We welcomed all students back to school last week. They have all settled back in to class routines and we know that they are all looking forward to the amazing learning experiences we have organised for Term 2. Students will make a bird house, when Little Woodworkers visit in May. All Year Ones will present an assembly item this term at Monday's assembly. We have our class mascots joining us this term and we know all students will enjoy taking their new little class member home.



SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

Specialist	1K	1KA	1DR
Music (Sue Digby)	Tues	Tues	Mon
Library Rotations	Thursday		
Art (Suzanne Reid)	Mon	Tues	Tues
PE (Bec Robinson)	Tues	Wed	Tues
Science Lab	Friday		
Wellbeing	Monday & Thursday		

UPCOMING EVENTS

8/5: Special Food Day
10/5: Mother's Day stall
17/5: National Walk Safely to School Day
20/5: 1K and 1KA Assembly Item
27/5: 1DR Assembly item
22/5: Education Week- Open Morning
22/5: 1K and 1KA Life Education Van
23/5: 1DR Life Education Van
24/5: Incursion-Little Woodworkers
5/6: Special Food Day
10/6: Queens Birthday Holiday
21/6: Casual Clothes Day
28/6: End of term. 2:30 pm dismissal



Home Reading

Thank you to all parents who are listening to their child read every night and who are remembering to fill in the yellow reading diary. We do check the yellow book each week to ensure all children are reading their take home reader each night. Please use this nightly routine, as a time to sit quietly with your child so they can practice their reading and develop a deeper understanding of texts.

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.

Thank you for getting your child to school before the music begins each morning.

READING

This term the students will follow a reading program, called "Reading Powers" by Adrienne Gears. This program encourages students to think about what they are reading whilst applying a range of strategies and skills. Understanding the main idea, drawing out detail, sequencing, comparing and contrasting and examining fact and fiction are all skills we will focus on during this term.

Please send your child to school with a piece of fruit, cheese or vegetable sticks for fruit break EVERY DAY. Please refrain from using nuts and nut products in lunchboxes at CEPS.

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

WRITING

This term we will continue to develop each students' ability to write Personal Recounts.

They will be encouraged to use their imagination and write Narratives, that include a problem and a resolution. The students will also learn to write short Information Reports.

SPELLING

Spelling Groups will continue this term. These groups are formed, using evidence from student's reading and writing and after assessments. During class, students examine phonemes and their grapheme representations. They brainstorm word lists and examine the history of base words. It is also important that students build their knowledge of sight words. Each week, students will be given 6 sight words to learn at home. These words are taken from test results and from their written work. Please encourage your child to learn these sight words.

SPEAKING and LISTENING

We are always encouraging students to participate in class discussions. This term, Year One has introduced, "Class Mascots". All students will get an opportunity to take their class mascot home and write diary entries. Students will have the opportunity to speak to their class about the special time they had with their class mascot.

Science

Up, down and all around is our Earth and Space Science focus this term. Students will be encouraged to note differences in changing landscapes. They will learn more about our environment and the night sky. They will learn to ask more informed questions, predict outcomes, evaluate and process data and share their discoveries with their peers.

ICT

This term we shall focus on continuing to develop the student's ability to independently log in to programs and complete assigned tasks online. The students will use iPads and laptops during their ICT sessions.

MATHS

The students will continue to work in groups, according to their learning needs. Continual assessment will ensure that lessons cater for individual learning needs. Problem Solving sessions each Wednesday, will encourage students to apply their understandings and use different strategies to reach a conclusion. Most problem solving challenges are open-ended, so students will have the opportunity to explore and share their findings with others. Our focus in Maths this term will cover, Addition, Subtraction, Money and Chance and Data.



HUMANITIES

This term, our Humanities focus is "My Life My Place in Time"

Students will be exploring their place in their own school community. Students will be delving deeper into their understanding of how they fit into the world.

We will be facilitating and encouraging the students to ask questions, but also to know how to solve the answers independently.



Well being

Students will begin this term focusing on the [Resilience Project](#). The children at CEPS are extremely fortunate to be taking part in this very worthwhile program, which supports their well being and promotes their feelings of happiness.

The children will have the opportunity to practise the key concepts of [Gratitude](#), [Empathy](#) and [Mindfulness](#). They will explore many ideas, including what to do when someone doesn't want to play with you, how to deal with worries and where in our body do we notice feelings such as happiness, sadness and excitement.

