



1W Class Newsletter
Term 3, 2020





Welcome back to school for Term 3! We hope everyone has had a relaxing and fun-filled holiday and are ready for learning. It is wonderful to see so many smiling faces returning to school ready to take on new and exciting challenges.

Before we outline this terms overview, we'd like to say a very big thank you to Rachael Ricketts who is expecting her second child any day now. She made a wonderful contribution to 1W's learning and was a lovely addition to our class. Rachael will be missed and we wish her all the very best. Peita Patch will be stepping in to take Rachael's place on Wednesdays and Thursdays for the remainder of the year. Peita is a familiar face at Wyrallah Road and we are sure the students will welcome her to 1W. We are looking forward to working together for an exciting Semester 2.

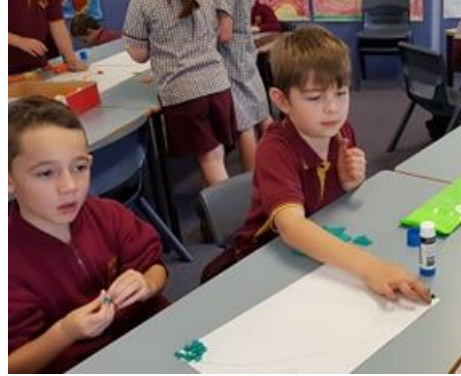
<p>Curriculum Overview Term 3</p>	<p>English: Our writing focus this term centres on narrative texts. We are learning to write a narrative which tells a story with a series of events to entertain the reader. Students will learn the structure of a narrative and language features using the Seven Steps for Writing Success resource.</p> <p>Maths: In Mathematics this term, students will continue to develop their understanding of mathematical concepts. They will increase their mathematical fluency, and pose and solve questions. Students will be using known number facts, objects, diagrams and technology to explore mathematical problems. They will further explore the concepts of telling time, measuring and estimating volume and creating data displays, to name a few!</p> <p>Integrated unit: This term in our unit 'Hocus Pocus', we will investigate the properties of everyday materials and how these can be physically changed. We will conduct experiments to explore these concepts and write about what we find. We will also detect sources of light and sound encountered in our daily lives.</p> <p>Personal Development and Health (PDH): This term, as part of our PDH unit on Child Protection, we will be covering: keeping healthy and happy, how to recognise safe and unsafe situations, how can I protect myself and who can help me when I feel unsafe.</p>
<p>Weekly Organisation</p>	<p>Library borrowing day: Monday (even weeks)</p> <p>Computers: Monday with Mr Lane (odd weeks)</p> <p>Music: Monday with Mrs Roberts (even weeks)</p> <p>PE: Daily- Please ensure your child has a school hat every day.</p> <p>Scripture/Ethics: Wednesday afternoons.</p> <p>Sport: Students will express themselves through movement and participate in a range of opportunities that promote physical activity. We will undertake a dancing program for the first half of term and then enjoy rotations of tennis, long jump and skipping skills for the remainder of the term.</p> <p>Homework: We believe that the most important skills for students to be consolidating at home are their reading and speaking skills. Therefore, homework in Stage 1 will focus on completing Home Reading regularly using the PM e-collection online and practising speaking skills by preparing a short speech to present to class, based on the fortnightly topics in the Super Speakers overview. Students can also use Mathletics and Sound Waves online to consolidate their skills in Mathematics</p>



	<p>and Spelling. Home reading folders must be submitted weekly to check on how students are progressing with their home reading.</p> <p>Home Reading: All students are encouraged to complete home reading daily using the PM e-collection online. Home reading allows students to develop a love of reading and builds the foundations for successful learners at school. The PM e-collection books can still be registered in your child’s Home Reading log. Thank you for your continued support of this important program. Please remember to submit your child’s home reading log on a weekly basis, to allow monitoring of your child’s engagement with home reading.</p> <p>Super Speakers: Preparation for this forms part of our weekly homework. An outline of this term’s topics and your child’s <i>Super Speakers</i> day is attached.</p>
<p>Excursions</p> 	<p>At this point, we are currently unable to plan excursions due to COVID-19 restrictions. If restrictions ease further in Term 3 and opportunities become available, further information will be sent out.</p>
<p>Important Dates</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports go home- Tuesday, 28 July, Week 2 • Education Week – Monday, 3 August to Friday, 7 August, Week 3 • Bike Day - Thursday, 10 September, Week 8 • Walk Safely to School Day – Friday, 11 September, Week 8 • K-2 Junior Athletics Carnival – Friday, 18 September, Week 9 • Gold Day – Thursday, 24 September, Week 10
<p>Equipment Requirements</p>	<p>All equipment needs to be clearly labelled, particularly school jumpers and hats.</p>
<p>School Fees</p>	<p>This is a reminder that school fees can still be paid through our online payment portal. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.</p> <p>Log onto our school site at:- www.wyrallahrd-p.schools.nsw.edu.au</p> <p>Click on “Make a Payment” and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard. You can find more information about online payments on our website. Although voluntary, school fees are a vital part of our budget each year and pay for essential items in classrooms.</p> <p>At WRPS our voluntary fees are \$55 per student, \$100 for two children or \$130 for a family of 3 or more children.</p> <p>If paying online does not suit, you can also pay in person at the front office (EFTPOS or cash) or write a cheque made out to Wyrallah Road Public School.</p> <p>Thank you to the parents that have already paid these fees, your contribution is appreciated.</p>



Glimpses of Semester 2



Warm regards,

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