### Wyrallah Road PUBLIC SCHOOL

### 2S Class Newsletter Term 3, 2020

Welcome back to school for Term 3! I 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.



#### Curriculum Overview Term 3

**English:** This term our writing focus will be informative texts. Students will have the opportunity to research and present texts which are valued for their informative content as part of everyday life. These texts will include descriptions, explanations, information reports and procedures on a range of topics.

*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!

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.

**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.

Library borrowing day: Wednesday even weeks.

**Computers:** with Mr Lane on Tuesday even weeks Thursday odd weeks. **Music:** with Mrs Roberts on Thursday odd weeks and Monday even weeks.

**PE:** Daily- Please ensure your child has a school hat every day.

Scripture/Ethics: Wednesday afternoons.

**Sport:** This term, we are developing skills in dance and gymnastics. Students will express themselves through movement, creating and performing different dances and exploring the different ways the body can move, developing skilful control of the body.

#### **Weekly Organisation**

Homework: We have changed our approach to homework this semester. We believe that the most important skills for students to be consolidating at home is 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 and Spelling. Home reading folders must be submitted weekly, so we are able to check on student progress in their home reading.

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	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.  Super Speakers: Preparation for this forms part of our weekly homework. An outline of this term's topics and your child's Super Speakers day is attached.
Excursions	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.
PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR!	<ul> <li>Reports go home- Tuesday, 28 July, Week 2</li> <li>Education Week – Monday, 3 August to Friday, 7 August, Week 3</li> <li>Bike Day - Thursday, 10 September, Week 8</li> <li>Walk Safely to School Day – Friday, 11 September, Week 8</li> <li>K-2 Junior Athletics Carnival – Friday, 18 September, Week 9</li> <li>Gold Day – Thursday, 24 September, Week 10</li> </ul>
Equipment Requirements	All equipment needs to be clearly labelled particularly school jumpers and hats.
School Fees	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.  Log onto our school site at:- <a href="www.wyrallahrd-p.schools.nsw.edu.au">www.wyrallahrd-p.schools.nsw.edu.au</a> 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.  At WRPS our voluntary fees are \$55 per student, \$100 for two children or \$130 for a family of 3 or more children.  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. Thank you to the parents that have already paid these fees, your contribution is appreciated.

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Glimpses of Term 2









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