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Kindergarten Term 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 4. The year certainly has flown. We hope that all students had a great break and are feeling refreshed. Assessments will be held in Weeks 3 and 4. If you know your child will be away during those weeks, could you please let your teacher know, so we can reschedule your child's test.

TERM 4 SPORT

This term, Kindergarten sport will be on a Thursday morning. All children are to wear **sports uniform on Thursday only** and regular school uniform on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

THE SOUNDS OF THE WEEK

The children will be learning how some letter combinations look different but sound the same or look the same but sound different, like ar, oo, ee, ea, er, ir, ur, ow, ou, ay, ai aw and or. In class, we will find these sounds in words, write them down and use them to decode words. You can assist your child by finding these sounds in everyday words like, classroom and Warriewood.

NEWS

We will be starting News from Week One. Your child's News day and topics for the week are attached. Please have your child practise saying their news at home before bringing it in to present to the class.

MATHS

Maths is taught daily at school. This term we will be consolidating the concepts we have learned throughout the year. When your child brings home a mathematical worksheet, it would be helpful to ask your child to explain how they have completed the tasks. Playing card and board games is also a fun and important way to revise mathematical concepts.

MATHLETICS AND READING EGGS

All Kindergarten students have access to Mathletics and Reading Eggs at school and home. Both computer programs have fun games and learning activities that can assist your child with numeracy and literacy. Please see your teacher if you do not have the usernames and passwords.

HOMEWORK

Homework in Term Four will consist of

- Home reading
- Sight words or spelling practice
- News preparation

LITERACY AND MATHS GROUPS

Thank you to the parents who have been able to help with literacy and maths groups. This is a great opportunity to get involved with your child's reading and to see some of the games and activities that we use at school. If you are able to help, please speak to your child's teacher, we would love to have you in the classroom.

HATS and DRINK BOTTLES

Thank you for providing your children with the school hats and refillable drink bottles, with names clearly written. With the oncoming hot weather it is essential that children bring these every day. Hats are worn whenever the children are outside. Please note that without a hat, your child will need to spend recess and lunchtimes under the shade structures. This restricts their much needed play time.

REMINDERS

- The Playground is supervised in the morning from 8:40am. If your child is regularly coming before this time they should be enrolled in Before School Care. Please see the office for information.
- The area outside the kindy classes is OUT OF BOUNDS in the morning. We are very close to Pittwater Road and it is unsafe for children to be near this area, even with their parents. It is NOT supervised by teachers. Please take your children to the main playground. You are welcome to stay with them there.
- Dogs are not permitted in the school at any time. Please leave them tied up outside the school fence.
- Birthday cakes are welcome; however, please bring cakes that do not require cutting as we cannot bring knives into the classroom. **Our school is also a NUT free zone, including Nutella.**

COMMUNICATION

A reminder to download the **Seesaw** and **Schoolzine Apps** to receive important updates, information and our Schoolzine Newsletter. Please see the office for an instruction sheet if you do not yet have these apps.

K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our K-2 Athletics Carnival is on Thursday 31st October from 9:20 – 12:00pm. The morning will consist of fun games aimed at improving and encouraging athletics skills, like the egg and spoon race, followed by class running races. Each child will get a ice block at the end of the carnival. Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on the children.

K-2 PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY – THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER (approx. 11:30am)

We love to celebrate the achievements of all Kindergarten students at the end of the year. There will be a formal K-2 Presentation where some children will receive awards for academic successes; the parents of these children will be notified by mail. Also, at this assembly each Kindergarten child will receive a Kindergarten Graduation certificate and all parents are very welcome to attend.

Years 3-6 have their Presentation Assembly on this day at 9:30am.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- K-2 Athletics Carnival 31st October
- Pet Safety Talk in the hall 9th November
- NLPS Environment Day – fun learning activities 27th November
- Kindy Concert in the hall – classes perform songs they have learned in music lessons 5th December
- School Reports home 9th December
- K-2 Presentation Day, 12th December
- Last day and End of year celebration - Picnic at Jamieson Park and fun games at school 18th December

Thank you for all of your help and support this year and we look forward to celebrating more successes both socially and academically with your children in Term 4.

Mrs Kirkland, Miss Martin, and Miss Anderson