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Term 1 - 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Stage 3, 2022. We're looking forward to an exciting year, starting off with a very busy term 1!

Week 1:

- Teachers return (28/01)

Week 2:

- Form new classes (01/02)

Week 3:

- Textbook Orders (09/02)

Week 4:

- Meet the Teacher (15/02)

Week 7:

- Clean Up Australia Day
- Swimming Carnival (07/03)
- Zone swimming (09/03)
- Selective High School Placement Test (10/03)

Week 9:

- Parent Teacher Interviews Week
- Ride to School Day (25/03)

Week 10:

- Broken Bay Camp (30/03 - 01/04)

Time table

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5LB	Library		Music Mandarin		PSSA / School Sport Assembly-even weeks
5S		Mandarin	Music Library		
6B		Music	Mandarin Library		
All Classes		Scripture			

English

Speaking and Listening: Students will be preparing speeches to develop their skills in preparation of the school public speaking competition later this year. Throughout term 1, they will have opportunities to engage in less formal/impromptu speaking and listening tasks.

Reading: Students read for 15-25 minutes each day in class and should supplement this with another 20 minutes at home. We will also be explicitly teaching comprehension strategies, with a particular focus on Super 6 strategies, to assist our reading and understanding.

Writing: During writing lessons, students will be engaging in persuasive texts. During these lessons, students will deconstruct a number of mentor texts, in order to broaden their understanding of the purpose, features and structure of the persuasive text type. Students will then have the opportunity to create their own persuasive text based on a given topic.

Novel Study: In Term One, students in Stage Three are conducting a literature analysis on the book 'Wonder' by R. J. Palacio. The text challenges readers, both young and old, to wonder about the true nature of empathy, compassion, acceptance, friendship, and, ultimately, kindness.

Mathematics

This term, we will be developing our skills in Number and Algebra, Geometry and Measurement, as well as Statistics and Probability. Each lesson is differentiated and consistent across all three Stage 3 classes. Lessons allow students' needs to be met at all stages of their learning by setting high expectations with challenging and structured content in order to develop their problem solving and working mathematically skills.

Parents are encouraged to challenge their children's number skills at home and complete their Mathematics work set for homework. To assist in your child's learning, parent resources can be found online on our school's website.

Mr. Lister & Mrs Kirkland will be welcomed into the classrooms throughout the term, to assist in delivering exciting lessons that challenge and engage students in problem solving.

Science

This term Stage 3 will be focusing on developing their understanding and use of technology to develop new ways that technology can assist in their learning and be used to solve real world problems. These skills will transfer into all other key learning areas, as well as teach the skills needed to tackle inquiry-based units of work throughout the year. This term, students will investigate how physical conditions of the environment affect the survival of living things. Investigating organisms that live in extreme environments, students will learn that changes in physical conditions will affect the behaviour and survival of living things, including animals that migrate or hibernate and mould growth.

Creative Arts

Throughout the term in visual arts, students will be introduced to 'nature art' to develop an appreciation of our beautiful surroundings at NLPS. Drama, music and dance will be explored with Mrs Power, building up to a whole school performance later in the year.

Personal Development/Health/Physical Education

Programmed fitness and sport throughout the year will support PSSA programs, as well as our swimming carnival, athletics carnival and cross-country carnival. Classes will take opportunities to be active within their own timetables and the explicit teaching of fundamental movement skills will take place each week. During PE, Stage Three will be developing their physical skills of catching, vertical jump, kicking and overarm throw, by engaging in a variety of games and sports in a rotational setting. These lessons will also have a focus on developing student's values and attitudes as sports people. Our PD/H unit for this term will involve exploring mindfulness meditation, where we aim to equip students with tools to build self-esteem, manage stress, and skillfully approach challenges.

History/Geography

During Term 1, students will learn about how people and environments influence one another. The unit has a focus on how our local area is managed and who makes the decisions. Students explore a variety of management plans and conduct a case study on bushfires, creating their own bushfire management plans.

Homework

Homework will be distributed Week 4. Each fortnight, students have an option to complete a selection of tasks, as well as being provided with set recommended Mathletics. New spelling words will be available to view the Monday of each week. On top of the optional and recommended tasks, students are expected to read daily, complete speaking tasks and research tasks. Homework can be completed online or in a homework book. Regardless of their preferred submission type, at the completion of their homework your child must bring their homework booklet into their teacher, which has been checked and signed by a parent.

Equipment

Please make sure that your child always comes to school in full school uniform and all of their equipment is clearly labelled. This includes black shoes and a hat. All students are expected to wear the school bucket hat. Please ensure that all personal items are labelled with your child's name.

It is important that all students come to school fully equipped to participate in the classroom activities. Stationery requirements have been carefully listed to ensure your child is engaged and productive in all lessons. Throughout the year, stationery items will need to be replaced as items are used daily and can be worn out or lost.

21st Century Learning

This year, Stage 3 will be using Chromebooks, laptops, iPads, Google Classroom and Google Docs to complete various activities in class and at home. We will be expanding and developing student's understanding, whilst exploring the skills required to efficiently and safely navigate technology.

Google Classroom Codes (students only):

5LB: obk3usp

5S: dzpwizq

6B: 77onw3p

Stage 3 2022: obn6kdz

Seesaw

Please remember to join your child's Seesaw class. Important information, dates and reminders will be sent on Seesaw, as well as photos of significant events such as carnivals and camp. If you do not wish your child's photo to be published, please indicate this on the term permission form.

Please contact us regarding any concerns on (02) 9913 7077.

Kind regards,

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