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Term 2 Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 2. We have a great term planned and we are looking forward to achieving academic growth combined with lots of fun activities together.

Some Important Dates for Term 2

Week 1:	Return to school	Wednesday, 27 th April
	ANZAC Day Assembly	Wednesday, 27 th April
	Cross Country	Friday,29 th April
Week 3:	Winter Interschool Sport begins	Friday, 13 th May
Week 4:	Public Speaking Competition Class Speak Offs	
Week 5:	Zone Cross Country	Thursday, 26 th May
Week 6:	Public Speaking Grade Speak Offs	
Week 7:	NEST Band Workshop	Thursday, 9 th June
Week 8:	Athletics Carnival	Tuesday, 14 th June
Week 9:	NEST Band Concert 7pm NSHS	Thursday, 23 rd June
Week 10:	Reports sent home	Monday, 27th June
	Stage 2 History excursion to The Rocks	Wednesday, 29 th June
	Jump Rope for Heart	Thursday, 30 th June

English

Speaking and Listening: Students will be creating speeches as part of homework for the annual Narrabeen Lakes Public Speaking Competition. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in the NSW Government <u>Multicultural Speaking Competition</u>. The Class Speak Off will be held in Week 4 and the Grade Finals in Week 6.

Reading: Students will engage in daily reading as well as Literacy Pro to improve reading fluency and comprehension skills.

Writing: In Term 2, students will focus on narratives and procedures. Spelling, grammatical features and punctuation conventions will also be taught daily using the Sound Waves spelling program.

Mathematics

In mathematics, we have a focus on Number, Algebra, Measurement, Geometry, Chance and Data. In Stage 2, students will be required to know their timetables and basic number facts (eg Friends of 10, 20, 30 etc) automatically, and the only way to learn these is to practise, practise, practise!!!

Science

In science, the focus area will be 'Contact and Non-Contact Forces'- how we can use forces and energy in a product or a system.

History

Stage 2 will be studying 'First Contacts'. The focus for this term will be the reasons for exploration, the arrival of the First Fleet and the impacts of this on the indigenous population. An excursion is planned for Week 10.

Technology and ICT

Across all learning areas, students will be engaging with a range of technologies to enhance their learning and offer flexibility by working at students' targeted levels. This includes Mathletics and Literacy Pro.

PDHPE

This term we will continue the Second Step program. In Week 8 we will begin whole school Peer Support program. These two programs will focus on having empathy for others and developing resilience in oneself. To compliment this, we will be implementing a mindfulness program called Smiling Minds.

Sport is on a Friday afternoon and students are to wear our full sports uniform, including hats, to school. Students (if selected) participate in interschool sport at various venues. Interschool sport is due to commence in Week 3, Friday 13th April.

CAPA

Music will be taught each week by Mrs. Power. In visual arts students will be creating works based on portraiture, whilst experimenting with a variety of media. In drama, we will begin work on our item for the Arts Alive Drama Festival, entitled 'The Invisible Boy'.

Homework

A fortnightly Homework Grid will be sent home on odd weeks, to be handed in on the Friday of the even week. Your child will be required to read for at least **20 minutes every night** and record this in their home reading log.

School Stationery

Please ensure your child's stationery supplies are topped up for this term. This includes 2 x HB lead pencils and 2 x 2B lead pencils for art. Please check that your child has working headphones and a mouse as these are required for NAPLAN.

Absences

Please send a note or an email upon students' return to school explaining the reason for their absence.

Keeping in touch

Stage 2 classes will continue to use the App 'Seesaw'. This is a secure method of sharing work with you. Please contact me regarding any concern either by email (ian.s.phillips@det.nsw.edu.au) or phoning the school on 9913 7077.

Kind regards,

Ian Phillips / Susan Mayo/ Luke Skinner Classroom Teachers

Rob Zappia **Principal**

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