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Newsletter, Term 3 2023

Stage Two

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to Term Three! We trust you and your families had a relaxing break and are feeling refreshed and ready for another term of learning and growth. As we move into the second semester of the school year, we are excited to continue supporting our Stage Two students in their academic and personal development. We have many exciting events, activities, and opportunities planned for the coming weeks and months, and we are looking forward to sharing them with you. As always, we appreciate your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. Let's work together to make this term a successful and rewarding one for our students.

Some Important Dates for Term 3:

Week 1	Homework Begins
Week 2	OC test – Yr 4 – Thursday 27 th July Sport and Band photos – Friday 28 th July
Week 4	Bush to Bowl incursion – Tuesday 8 th August Inter-school Sport Gala Day - Friday 11 August
Week 5	National Science Week Zone Athletics Carnival – Monday 14 th August
Week 6	St 2 Choir Primary Proms rehearsal – Monday 21 st August Book Week Parade and Book Fair – Thursday 24 th August
Week 7	Father's Day Stall – Friday 2 nd September
Week 8	Indigenous Literacy Day – Thursday 7 th September Jump Rope for Heart Day – Friday 8 th September Peer Support Check-in – Friday 8 th September
Week 9	St 2 Choir Town Hall Proms – Monday 11 th September Un Declaration of Indigenous Rights Wednesday 13 th September RUOK day – Thursday 14 th September Summer Inter-school sport re-commences – Round 4 vs Collaroy Plateau – Friday 15 th September
Week 10	Summer Inter-school sport – Round 5 - Bye Friday 15 th September

English:

Reading & Writing: Students will engage in daily reading as well as Literacy Pro to improve reading fluency and comprehension skills. They will also be engaging in trial English units, from on the new syllabus, which will commence next year. These units are based on studies of high-quality literature texts and cover many aspects of literacy.

Spelling: Our approach to spelling instruction this year involves incorporating Sound Waves Spelling resources. This program is designed to equip students with a comprehensive set of skills and strategies to enhance their understanding of words and their mechanics. One of the primary objectives of Sound Waves Spelling is to familiarise students with phonemes or speech sounds, as well as their corresponding graphemes or written representations. Throughout the course

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of the program, your child will be introduced to 43 distinct sounds in Australian English, which are referred to as 'focus sounds'. By identifying the focus sound being taught each week, you can help your child identify words containing that sound.

Mathematics:

In mathematics, a key component of the learning process is working mathematically, which involves engaging in genuine mathematical activities such as problem-solving, reasoning, communication, and modeling. By working mathematically, students develop the skills to become flexible and creative users of mathematics, and gain a deeper understanding of concepts in Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, as well as Statistics and Probability. Through this approach, students can apply their mathematical knowledge to solve real-world problems and develop their capacity for critical thinking and analytical reasoning.

Science:

The unit this term is entitled 'States of Matter', in which students investigate how substances can change from a gas to a liquid and to a solid. The unit emphasises critical and creative thinking skills, scientific vocabulary development, and collaborative practical work, which will enhance the students' personal and social capabilities.

Geography:

The topic for this term is, 'Australia's Neighbours', in which students locate the countries near Australia. They compare the differences in climate, environment and cultures to those of Australia.

PDHPE:

Personal Development lessons will focus on Child Protection, in which students learn strategies about how to stand up for the rights of themselves and others.

Sport is on a Friday and students are to wear our full sports uniform, including hats, to school. Students will be practising skills and playing games based on the sports played for inter-school sport. This term, inter-school sport will be held on a whole day Gala Day in Week 4, with the summer competition resuming in Week 9

Creative and Performing Arts:

Music will be taught each week by Mrs. Power. In Visual Arts students will create a range artworks based on other subject areas, using a variety of media. In Drama, they will have opportunities to participate in role plays, games and activities which will encourage them to explore their dramatic side.

Homework:

Homework will start in Week 1. This will consist of a fortnightly homework contract, with a variety of tasks for the students to complete. Your child will also be required to read for **20 minutes every night** and record this in their home reading log.

Medicines- Protocol

If your child needs to take medication at any time it will need to be kept at the office and not stored in their school bags for safety reasons. Medicines must be in original packaging accompanied by detailed instructions from your child's doctor.

Keeping in touch....

Please download the SchoolZine App, which enables you to both receive information and send the school notifications about your child, including reasons for absences.

You can contact the school regarding any concern either by email (narrablks-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au), in person with your child's teacher (by appointment) or phoning the school on 9913 7077.

Kind regards,

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Mr. Liam Chapman, and Miss Stern
Stage Two Classroom Teachers

Mr. Robert Zappia
School Principal