

# Grade 1 Term 4, 2023

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you enjoyed a relaxing holiday break.

We thank everyone for supporting the students in making a smooth transition back to school.

Please remember your school hat as it must be worn in Term 4. What happens if your child forgets their school hat? MPS has a "No-hat, No-play" policy in Term 4. Children will be directed to one of the shaded areas during recess and lunchtime play. Classrooms have sunscreen for students. Your child may bring their own sun-screen. Staff cannot put sunscreen on students, so please encourage them to learn how to do this for themselves.

## Reminders

Every Monday and Wednesday are our Nude Food days, where all students are encouraged to bring Nude Food lunches.

The canteen operates Fridays - for both recess and lunch. Orders c now be placed online via www.funfreshfoods.com.au/ms abbin-primary-school/

# Important Dates

- Friday October 9th Swimming Program starts
- Thursday November 2nd- Junior School Concert
- Monday November 6th Curriculum Day
- Tuesday November 7th Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
- Wednesday December 20th Last Day of Term



# What we are learning.....

#### English

Throughout the term students will continue to build upon their comprehension, fluency and expression and make meaningful connections as they read a range of texts.

Students will develop their writing skills this term with a focus on writing narratives, persuasive writing and personal letters. They will be involved in the process of planning, drafting, editing and bumping up their writing pieces.

# **Phonics and Morphology**

Students apply a phonemic approach for predictable spellings for different sounds and whole word spelling for irregular words. Some of the rules covered include: syllable division, old kind words, ci, ti, si says shun, schwa introduction, vowel graphemes ue/ew and long e sounds ie/ei.

The students will also learn how to apply morphographic strategies to add prefixes and suffixes to base words.

# **Humanities - History**

This term students will be learning to identify their family structure through creating a family tree. They will develop an understanding of their lives and be able to place significant events on a timeline.

#### **ELearning**

Students utilise technology across a variety of subjects and are exposed to sequential, skills based lessons on the schools new chromebooks.

#### Maths

This term, students will model, represent and order numbers to one hundred, extended place value to the thousands. Students will develop their knowledge to represent and solve division recognising whether there is a remainder or not after sharing equally. Students will be reading time on analogue and digital clocks and observing the characteristics of half-hour times. Students will also be focusing on the topics money, shape, fractions, mass and location. Students will select and trial different methods for collecting data, including surveys. They will construct suitable data displays with and without the use of technology.

### Sustainability

This term students will be identifying the importance of water in our lives. They will also learn about how to save water.

#### Wellbeing

Our wellbeing sessions aim to support students' personal development through the exploration of gratitude, empathy and mindfulness.

#### Homework

Will be handed out on a Friday afternoon and is to be returned EVERY Wednesday.

Reading diaries are also expected to be back on a Wednesday to be checked by the teacher.

## If you need to contact us......

If you have a specific concern that requires more than a quick chat, please make an appointment with your classroom teacher. All teachers are required at staff meetings and professional development sessions every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3.45pm, so are unable to meet with you at these times.

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