

Beginning of Term 3 News: Room 15



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back for term 3 of 2019. This term we will be "Escaping to Everywhere" and travelling around the world. If anyone has any brochures, postcards or boarding passes from other places in Australia or the world, we would love to look at them if you are willing to share them with us.

Term 3 Overview

- Science - Looking at Resources - food, water, minerals and other natural resources.
- Writing - continuing with narratives, practicing writing a description and a response/review.
- Maths - multiplication, division and skip counting in number, integrating money into multiplication and division, fractions, interpreting maps and chance and data.
- Geography - Our Place in the World - We are connected to People and Places Around the World. What is a place? What does the world look like? How do we locate different places across the world? What things affect my connections with places?

Book Week

Book Week will be celebrated in week 5 with a parade on **Thursday 22nd August**. More details will follow; keep an eye out on newsletters in the coming weeks. The Book Week theme for 2019 is: **Reading is my Secret Power**. The children could dress as a character from 'The Enchanted Wood' the book I have been reading to the class this year or a character from a favourite book. Otherwise something along the theme of Reading is my Secret Power. We are discouraging super hero costumes and movie characters. If you require any help with ideas for the Book Week costume please don't hesitate to ask.

Oral Presentations

Your child's oral presentation day is the specific date of the month indicated on their Spelling Homework Journal. Your child may need help to research information and ideas of how to present their oral talks each month. If their presentation day falls on a weekend, your child can do their presentation on the Monday of the following week or the Friday prior to the weekend of their talk date.

The Oral Presentation Topic for the month of August is:

Where in the world would you like to travel? Choose your ideal place in the world and talk about its features, culture, celebrations, food, flag, people and animals. Tell us why you would like to visit your favourite place in the world.

For the month of September:

Bring along your favourite book, or tell us about your favourite character to celebrate book week and complete the Premier's Reading Challenge.

The topics will also be stuck into the Spelling and Homework Journal at the beginning of each month.

Yard Duty - Before School Fridays

Friday mornings before school I am on yard duty on the grassed area around the playgrounds from 8.25am-8.45am. The classroom will be locked until I come off yard duty. If your child arrives at school during this time, they will need to stay near the classroom, play in the quad, on the basketball court or come and play on the grassed area where I am on duty until the 8.45am bell goes.

Spelling/ Reading Practice

Spelling words for your child to practice each night using the Look, Spell, Say, Write, Check method will continue this term, along with at least 10-15 minutes of reading and practicing of the 'sight words' in the

front and back of the Spelling Journal booklet. A reminder that reading practice is focused on students reading an easy text to enjoy with family as we want them to feel successful as a reader. I will endeavour to listen to your child read their reader once a fortnight and also to ensure they are practicing their reading strategies that they need to work on.

Have a great term. Cheers Bec. ☺