



Term 2 Overview 2017

Year 4

5 May 2017

Dear Families

Welcome to Term Two! We trust you had both a relaxing and enjoyable break.

This letter will briefly outline some of the engaging programs that students will be participating in this term as well as inform you of any changes in programs or housekeeping matters, which will support you and your child's return to school for a new term.

English

This term we are continuing with our Reader's Workshop and Daily 5. We will also be continuing with our spelling groups where the focus is on transferring spelling strategies to our everyday writing. During writing sessions, students will be exploring the structure of persuasive texts. This will be done through a range of activities including drafting, editing and publishing.

Mathematics

Throughout the term we will continue to develop our mental computation skills with a particular focus on subtraction and multiplication. Students will participate in activities such as Mathletics, small group work, maths games and problem solving to support their learning. We will also be investigating fractions and graphing.

Health

Our focus this term will be looking at the Friendly Families, Friendly Schools program looking specifically at building positive relationships and understanding bullying.

Physical Education

This term we will be focusing on developing fitness through a series of rotation activities. We will also continue to developing positive relationships through a series of physical team building activities.

Geography

Our focus in geography is to explore renewable and non-renewable resources and how these are used to develop sustainable practices.

Science

For science this term we will be looking at the properties of materials. Students will analyse materials and identify why certain materials are chosen for particular purposes.

Technology

Our focus for technology this term is digital technology. The students will use the Chromebook to create a number of projects in various subjects. This includes writing, geography and science.

Visual Arts and Performing Arts

Students will participate in drama activities and will produce their own dramatic pieces related to the Friendly Schools, Friendly Families unit.

Housekeeping

Students need to bring fruit for our regular fruit break and they are asked to bring their water bottles in each day. They also need to remember to bring their hats to school until the end of May, when it's 'hats off' for the winter months.

In class, the students continue to have access to Google Classrooms where there are a number of activities to support your child's learning. Students can access these classrooms from home from the ACT Department of Education's digital backpack. Once there, students will need to log onto classrooms. Students use their ID number followed by @schoolsnet.act.edu.au and then their current password.

We look forward to being partners with you in another fantastic term of learning with your child.

Kind regards,

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