

Year 4 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome to Year 4! It is fantastic to see so many students return well-rested and ready to learn. We extend a special welcome to all new students and families. Welcome to Rooty Hill Public School.

There will be many exciting events and activities happening this term including the Cross Country Carnival and the Easter Happening.

Year 4 classes

3/4J – Miss Jessica Crowe

4S – Miss Selvaarn Saifi

4D – Miss Nana Derkyi

4/5M – Miss Marissa Madden

Grade Supervisor – Mrs Georgia Jones

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to your child, please feel free to contact Mrs Jones, the Grade Supervisor.

Important Dates

13th February – Meet the Teacher Evening.

14th February – Swimming and Gymnastics begin.

25th February – SRC Elections.

4th March – Kindergarten Cake Stall.

12th March – Welcome Evening.

16th March – Induction Assembly.

19th March – Harmony Day.

26th March – School Photos.

2nd April – Cross Country.

7th April – Parent Teacher Interviews.

8th April – Easter Happening.

9th April – Last Day of term.

Year 4 camp

This year the overnight excursion for Year 3 and 4 is a zoo snooze at Taronga Zoo. The dates for the Year 4 Camp are Tuesday 2nd September to Wednesday 3rd September. A note with information about the initial deposit and payment plan will go home in Term 1.



A Snapshot of Term 1

English

Throughout Semester One, students will be participating in an English unit titled 'A Great Big World.' This unit is closely linked with concepts which are being taught in Geography. Students will examine a variety of texts from around the world and Australia, including traditional Indigenous texts, as they explore ideas about our national identity, Australia's place on a global scale and the importance of multiculturalism. This unit will allow students to develop their confidence when answering comprehension questions, interpreting images and writing texts for a variety of purposes.

Mathematics

During this term, students will continue to learn about Whole Number, Fractions & Decimals, Addition and Subtraction and Multiplication and Division during their daily number drills and numeracy groups.

They will also be developing a deeper understanding of Mass, Patterns & Algebra and how to efficiently solve word problems using the 6S strategy.

Geography

This semester students will study the natural environments of Australia and other countries in Asia, South America and Africa. They will investigate how humans and animals interact with those environments to survive. Learning about sustainability and looking at some of the sustainable practices around the world encourages students to think about how they and others rely on the Earth's environment and in turn why and how it needs to be protected. Students will be using geographical tools including maps, graphs and statistics.

Homework and Home Reading

As we would like to give students more time to take part in all the extra activities they might do outside of school, **homework will be handed out on Monday and returned on Friday.** Students will be given a grid with various activities to complete. They are asked to complete one activity from each subject a week.

As part of Year Four's homework, students are asked to participate in the Home Reading Program. Students are expected to read for 15-20 minutes each night. Students are to continue writing on their reading log the book/s they have read each night.

