

Year 3 Term 4 Parent Newsletter 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 4! We are looking forward to another purposeful, fun and engaging term of learning. This term we will be embarking on our first school camp as well as taking part in many other exciting learning experiences.

If at any time you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

We hope you find the information below helpful.

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Timetable	School starts: 9.00am and finishes at 3.30pm Recess: 10.40 - 11.10am Lunch: 12.50 - 1.00pm, eating time in class. 1.00 - 1.50pm outside
Before and after school care	Students must not be left alone in the school yard before 8.45am or after 3.45pm. If you have to leave your child before or after these times on any day you must book them into out of hours care as there is no yard supervision.
Closing of school gates	To assist with student safety and wellbeing, all school gates will be closed at 9.15am until 3pm.
Specialist Classes ART - Ms Fisk LOTE (Japanese) - Sensi Gall PERFORMING ARTS - Mrs Rothberg P.E. - Mr Lilburne/Mrs Farmer Library is taken by the classroom teacher with the assistance of Julia Jones. ICT sessions taken by classroom teachers. Buddy reading with Preps - times TBC	<p>Monday 1:50pm 3AH Art 3R Performing Arts 3S P.E. 3L Japanese 2:40pm 3S ART 3L Performing Arts 3AH P.E. 3R Japanese</p> <p>Tuesday 9am 3S Library</p> <p>Wednesday 1:50pm 3R Library 2:30 3L Library</p> <p>Thursday 9am 3L Art 3AH Performing Arts 3R P.E. 3S Japanese 9:50am 3R Art 3AH Japanese 3R Art 3S Performing Arts 1:50pm 3AH Library</p> <p>Friday 3AH 9.00 ICT 3S 9.50 ICT 3R 11:10 ICT 3L 12:00 ICT</p>
Homework	<p>Homework is sent home Monday and due back Friday, unless otherwise stated. Homework will consist mainly of: *daily reading to promote appreciation of different texts and authors and build on students' confidence in their reading ability *practice of mental math to improve student proficiency in making calculations in their minds *tasks to investigate or apply knowledge related to a subject focus or learning intention Homework will generally not exceed 30 minutes per day. Listening to your child read at home is a good way of supporting your child's reading. Talk about books, read together and make reading an enjoyable, shared activity. We encourage you to play a variety of spelling games with your child to build on word knowledge and spelling skills. We also encourage you to play a variety of number fluency games to help your child build quick recall of addition & subtraction facts to 100 and quick recall of the 2s, 3s, 5s, & 10s multiplication facts and related division facts. Sharing/reflection of the homework task will generally occur in class on the due date of the given task.</p>
Student Diary	<p>Student diaries should be at school every day. Every Monday students enter their personal spelling for the week into their diary. Every Friday the teacher will check the reading details for the week.</p>
Spelling	Students work on spelling activities to develop phonological awareness, graphophonic knowledge, morphemic and etymological knowledge.
Birthdays	Children can bring a treat to share on their birthday - No nuts please!

	A chocolate frog or snake lolly is usually a safe option.
Nude food lunches	All families are encouraged to prepare nude food lunches. Please unwrap and throw any rubbish out at home to help us reduce the amount of rubbish at school. PLEASE ensure all containers are clearly labelled!
School Uniform	Hats are to be worn during recess and lunch until the 1st of May and again from the 1st of September. Jewellery is NOT part of our school uniform. Hair accessories are to be school colours of yellow, blue or white only. Please ensure all items of clothing are named and check the lost property cupboard for any missing items.
Communication	General information and upcoming events are published in <u>Stop Press</u> . A link is emailed out to parents every Thursday or can be accessed via the Beaumaris Primary website. http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au/ All notices and upcoming events are posted on Compass. Please regularly check the Beaumaris Primary Facebook page to see what's been happening at our school. Please be sure to check our Year 3 Communication Board located outside the Year 3 area. Teachers will be outside their classrooms from 3.30pm-3.40pm each day so you can informally catch up with them. If you have a specific concern, please make an appointment with the class teacher. REMINDER: All teachers are in class with their students at 9am and are required at staff briefings each morning from 8.45. Staff meetings and professional development sessions are held every Monday and Wednesday from 3.45pm so please avoid these times.
Absence	If your child is absent, you can email the office on beaumaris.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone on 9589 2619 and your class teacher will be alerted of their absence.
Curriculum	Students will participate in engaging learning experiences related to our fortnightly learning intentions. The Year 3 fortnightly Statement of Intent is posted on the Year 3 Communication Board and can be accessed on the school website. This term in Numeracy there will be a focus on time, money, volume, capacity, fractions, mass and problem solving. In Literacy, the students will be involved in a variety of reading experiences based on individual needs, our writing focus will be based on the Seven Steps of Writing program. This term our subject focus is Health. Throughout the term the students will participate in a number of activities, in-school visits and/or excursions that link to our subject focus.
Personalised Learning & Education Research Projects	The classroom communication board plays a vital role in the Year 3-6 area and students are encouraged to view the communication board at the commencement of each day to check for timetabling, subject focus learning intentions, class meeting agenda items, the focus student roster, affirmations, the Statement of Intent and clinic groups. Each morning we begin with tuning-in for the day (15-20mins) where we welcome and highlight the learning for day and have conversations with focus students linked to their learning. At the end of the day we reflect on our learning for the day (5-10mins) and again have conversations with the focus students about their learning. Year 3 students showcase their work related to the current subject focus in the form of an Education Research Project. Expo dates TBC.
Year 3 Camp - two days one night	Camp Oasis Mount Evelyn www.oasis.asn.au Thursday 9 th and Friday 10 th of November.
Swimming	Swimming will commence week beginning 20 th November and finish on the week ending 1 st December. More information will be available before swimming begins.