



Foundation Newsletter

Term 4
2022



Welcome to Term 4

Only one term left in Foundation. Let's make it a good one!

With the weather warming up, students will be required to wear a hat during all outside learning and play. The school Sun Smart policy is 'No hat, no play!' Like all uniform, PLEASE ensure that hats are clearly labelled with your child's first and last name.



'10 to 9 is arrival time' is our slogan to ensure students are at school, and ready to learn. If you arrive after 9am, please swing past the Office and collect a late pass.

Learning in the classroom

Home Reading and Communication Diaries

This term to encourage responsibility and independence, students are asked to bring in their reading pouches weekly so that they can change their own take home books.



All newsletters and school updates are uploaded to School Story on Class Dojo. Please make sure that you have notifications switched on.



Literacy

In Reading, we continue working on decoding words and comprehension. Students will learn think about the character motives and feelings, and identify the problem and solution in texts read. We will be reviewing and learning new consonant blends and digraphs and how to sound out unknown words.



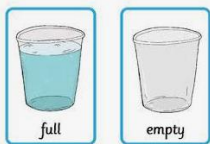
In Writing, we will continue to learn about correct letter formation. We will learn how to add details (adjectives) to sentences, how to use lower- and upper-case letters correctly and provide spaces between words. Learning how to use the SoundWaves chart to make plausible attempts at spelling unknown words and writing correctly on dotted thirds will also continue to be areas of development.

Mathematics

Number knowledge will be our primary focus. We will continue to focus on writing numbers correctly, place value and making representation of numbers.



This term we will be learning about sharing. We will be using a range of strategies for sharing small groups of numbers using different materials. An important component will be using the correct language of sharing.



Students will be introduced to capacity through comparing what holds more and less using a variety of different containers. Lots of hands on and play opportunities will be provided to learn about this mathematical concept.

Inquiry

'Fractured Fairy Tales' is our topic this term for Inquiry. We are really excited to be exploring the world of fairy tales! Students will be learning to identify problems in the tales and come up with ideas for alternative endings. Character feelings and emotions will be discovered as we dive into a new fairy tale each week.

There will be many of opportunities to be creative, and to design and make different items using a variety of materials.





Specialist Classes

STEAM



Foundation students have an exciting term ahead. In our unit Weather in my World, we will be looking at different weather related experiments. We will investigate rain clouds, wind, temperature and what happens during a thunderstorm!

Art

Foundation students will respond to rhymes, stories and simple songs, using movement, Drama, and through the creation of artworks.

Physical Education (P.E)

This term will see the students participating in the major sport of Cricket. Students will be introduced to all elements of the game and have the opportunity to revise their catching and throwing skills. They will learn how to execute a two-hand side arm strike. Team work and co-operative play will be encouraged at every opportunity.



Auslan

Term 4 Auslan will see Foundation students learning to sign about Fairy Tales, celebrations and people.



Important Dates for Term 4

Wednesday 12th October	St Johns First Aid
Monday 31st October	Report Writing Day – Student Free Day
Tuesday 1st November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Monday 28th Nov – Friday 2nd Dec	Foundation Swimming Program
Tuesday 20th December	End of Term 4 (1:30pm dismissal)

Thank you for your ongoing support.
One more term before they head off to Year 1!

The Foundation Team,
Lauren Howard (FH – Room 1)
Stephanie Clemson (FC – Room 2)
Keryn Tuck (FT – Room 3)
Caitlin Bishop (FB- Room 4)



Sunbury Heights Primary School – where everyone counts every day!