

Diamond Creek Primary School

Grade 3/4 Newsletter Term 1 2016

What's happening in Term 1?

Welcome everyone to 2016! We've had a smooth start to the year with the students getting to know their teachers and their classmates. Each term a newsletter like this will be produced and sent home for the families, you will also be able to access this via the DCPS website. We are looking forward to an exciting 2016,

Maree and Renata

÷ X = + - **maths**

This term our maths focus will be number. We will be exploring their relationship between multiplication, division, addition and subtraction. We will be using hands on maths activities to assist the students in their learning and understanding. Students are being encouraged to practise their times tables, you can assist them by quizzing them during car rides to school or on the way to sport.

Inquiry

We started our year with Social Inquiry, student have been investigating verbal and nonverbal communication, conversation skills, cooperative group work, manners, problem solving and many more to come. In week 4 we will begin our Inquiry unit of 'Me!'. Students will learn about hair colour, eye colour and height.



Please bring a **copy of a baby photo** of your child (named on the back and in an envelope) for us to display.

Home Learning

It is expected that children will be reading every night. There is space in their diaries for you to sign off on their reading. Each Monday students will receive their weekly Home Learning. This Home Learning will be corrected each Friday.

Each week students will bring home a topic to discuss for the weekly 'Big Write', we would love for you to have a quick discussion with you child. These discussions help to broaden their vocabulary and give them ideas to write about each week.

3.4 CAMP

We have confirmed a camp for 4th term. The 3.4 area will be going to Phillip Island Adventure Resort.

It will be from **Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th of October.** More details to follow. Check it out at: <http://piar.cyc.org.au/>

Dates to Remember!	
Thursday Feb 12th 19th 26th	Grades 3-6 Gymnastics
Monday 14th Feb	Labour Day HOLIDAY
Thursday 24th March	Last Day of Term 1
Friday 26th March	Good Friday
Monday 11th April	Term 2 Begins

Reminders

- Hats are to be worn term s 1 and 4.
 - Drink bottles are to be filled with water only. The students can keep these water bottles on their tables each day.
 - In the mornings, students can leave their outside the classroom doors where they line up. If it is raining they can come into the Senior building and put their bags in the shelves.
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Communication

Education is a partnership between students, teachers and parents. If there are ever any concerns, queries or even positive feedback, please feel free to approach us or make an appointment with us .

Student diaries can be used for communication between home and ourselves. If we do send a note home please initial it and send it back with your child. We will check to know that you have seen our notes and we will also initial any notes of yours.