



Junior School Newsletter

Term 4 2011

Wow- Term 4 already! This is a short term so things will be busy. We had a great time learning about space travel in Term 3, but now it's back to Earth.

New Entrants:

We welcome Suzanne Taylor to Room 22 with our newest children.

Inquiry Learning/Literacy:

We are talking about wheels this term. Classes will be finding out about toys that use wheels, how they work and how to use them safely. Our writing may include explanations and reports about them. Later we'll be writing about EOTC, plus letter and card writing to important people here and at the North Pole.

EOTC is Education Outside The Classroom, a week long programme of mostly school based outdoor activities. This year it's in week 5. We'll be working in house groups to cover topics like sun and water safety, bush walking and map reading. This programme is built on as children move to the Middle and Senior School completing more and more challenging activities. Please make sure your children are wearing appropriate clothing for the more physical activities. We will let you know about swimming.

Mathematics:

We are revising addition and subtraction and our number knowledge. We are also learning about weight, volume and capacity. Classes may be spending a little time on money, so be prepared to take your children shopping and talk to them about prices, money and change.

The Arts:

We finish our Arts Rotation this term and will be looking at design in visual art.

Health/P.E:

We are practising small ball skills, starting with 4 tennis lessons with coaches over the next 2 weeks.

Hats

Please remember that hats are compulsory this term, and hopefully we'll see the sun soon. A brimmed hat that can stay at school is best. Please name them and all other clothing for easy returns!

Dates for your diary this term:

14 November-Teacher Only Day.

18 November-Fraser Crescent School visiting.

21 to 25 November-EOTC Week.

16 December-Final day for 2011. 1pm finish.

Have a great term!

Claire Martin and the Junior Team.