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### **School Newsletter**

### For Term 4 Week 6

### **Starting 13 November**

### **Dates to Remember**

### **November**

13th - Assembly - Wombats

14th - RAW Art continues

15th - Nadia Wheatley continuing work with all classes

15th - Softball Training 8am to 9am

15th - Chess Club 11am to 11:40am

16th - Softball Coaching Workshops

17th - PSSA continues

17th - Spellathon Sponsorship forms

18th - Movie Night

20th - Spell a thon Test

24th - Chinese Handicrafts Incursion

Check the school app and website for a complete calendar.

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# **Chess - Additional Opportunities to Play**

Chess was a great success on Wednesday with nearly 34% of the school participating in chess. Two teachers from Sydney Chess Academy attended the event and the group was split into a couple of groups based on their familiarity with the game.

On Tuesday and Thursday next week students at the beginning of school from 8:30am to 9:00am will be given an opportunity to play chess in the Dingoes classroom off the main playground.

## Spell-a-thon Fundraiser REMINDER

Our Spell a thon fundraiser is now underway. Sporsorship forms are now with children and we encourage you to use the time until the end of the week when the forms are due back to gain more sponsors.

A reminder that a prize of a \$50 gift card will be awarded to any student who enters the spell-a-thon and raises over \$1 in sponsorship money. The draw will be on Presentation Day 14 December. Students will have word lists at their level and they will be given opportunities to work with them in class.

### **Mandarin Craft Incursion**

Miss Yang has organised for all students to be given an opportunity to experience some and on Chinese cultural experiences. She has organised Mandarin Handicrafts to come in a teach the children about how to make Chinese Knots. These are lucky symbols in China. A note will go home this coming week.

# **End of Year Activities**

We have a number of activities planned for the end of the 2017 year. After the success of the fun day at the end of last year we have decided to repeat the fun day and have a range of activities planned for the last Monday of term - Monday 11 December. On the same day, year 6 will be going to the city for a trip to Sea Life, Wild Life and Madame Tussauds. After our Presentation Day, our year 5 and 6 students will be attending the annual year 6 farewell at Yiamas Greek Restaurant in St Peters. Finally on the final day the P&C will be running a disco between 1pm and 2:30pm before our annual year 6 arch.

## Library

Our library borrowing program has now finished for the year and we will be expecting books now to be returned over the coming 2 weeks. This is so that a stock take of books in the school library can be undertaken.

# The Week Ahead in Learning for Term 4 Week 6

Library has finished for the year. Books can be returned throughout the week to your classroom teacher.

This Week in Koalas			
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders
There are only 5 weeks of Kindergarten left. Our big push for the next few weeks will be developing independent writing skills to take to Year 1. Students should be confident with their sounds and understand that many unfamiliar words can be spelt using sound knowledge. Phonics work will continue, and we will play games and complete activities around the phonemes, ck, ng, qu and x, while revising all the phonemes taught throughout the year.	Kindergarten will learn the language of position, following directions to move through a maze in the classroom.  Words such as behind, above, left, right, next to, underneath and on top of will be used.  Kindergarten will also form a data display of lunch boxes, arranging objects in rows and columns according to their characteristics ie colour.	RAW Art is on Tuesday. This will be the last of the four excellent art sessions.  Got Game gymnastics is on Thursday.  In PD/H/PE, we will conduct the shade and shadow experiment from last week, as we learn about the importance of protecting our skin from the sun.	Nadia Wheatley will visit again on Wednesday. Kindergarten will continue with their circle stories in class.  Library borrowing has now finished for the year. Please have your child bring in their library books during the week so that the stock take can take place.  If you have been absent from school, please email the school or bring a note to Ms Garner to explain the absence once you return to school. Thank you.

This Week in Wombats				
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders	
In writing, students will learn about 'Point of View'. They will learn that thoughts and feelings about a topic creates a person's point of view. Students will write their point of view on a general topic.  Shared Reading will continue with students using the Super Six strategies to respond to the story 'The Folk of the Faraway Tree'. Students will focus on 'Predicting' and 'Making Connections' so they use clues from the text and background knowledge to predict the next event.  Students will continue Guided and Independent reading groups as per the class schedule.  Phonics focus is: 'i' as in spider, 'i-e' as in time and 'igh' as in night.	Students will continue their number work with number lines to show addition and subtraction from 2-digit and 3-digit numbers.  Students will begin the Measurement unit on Volume and Capacity	Science - See Stage learning PDHPE - Got Game will continue on Thursday with gymnastics.  PDHPE - Students will continue their learning on Safe Living. They will be learning about passenger safety as part of Road Safety.  Creative Arts - RAW Art continues on Tuesday.	Library borrowing has now finished for the year. Please have your child bring in their library books during the week so that the stock take can take place  Homework continues this week. Spelling lists will continue based on weekly phonics. Please ignore this for homework if you think the Spell-a-thon word list each day is sufficient for your child. The phonics spelling list will be practised in reading groups.  Nadia Wheatley will continue her writing work with students on Wednesday.	

This Week in Goannas				
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders	
For phonics and grammar, this week the Goannas will be having a review week in class. For spelling homework students will focus on	Students will finalise our unit on volume and capacity. Upon conclusion of the unit students will begin our unit on statistics and data. Students will	PDHPE- Softball clinic will continue on Thursday morning for all students.  Got Game- Will continue on Thursday.	Library borrowing has now fin- ished for the year. Please have your child bring in their library books during the week so that	
their words for the upcoming spell- a-thon.	participate in a range of activities to collect data, sort it and then compile it to create graphs.	Nadia Wheatley- Nadia will continue working with students on Wednesday.	the stock take can take place.  Spell-a-thon- Can all students	
In writing students will finalise their narratives. Students have worked through planning on their templates and will conclude writing and editing their stories.		Creative Arts- Our third week of RAW art continues Tuesday.	please remember to return their sponsorship forms back on Friday.	

This week in Dingoes			
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders
Students have been working hard on the expositions this week and will be finalising these to present as part of our term 4 speaker of the term. Students have been giving and receiving peer feedback to edit and improve their writing. Students will also be looking at different narratives this week and working on their ability to create a visual for their readers.	This week students will be revising our measurement and geometry unit. Students will be covering a range of topics including area and perimeter as well as mass and position.	PDHPE- Softball clinic will continue on Thursday morning for all students.  Got Game- Will continue on Thursday.  Nadia Wheatley- Nadia will continue working with students on Wednesday.  Creative Arts- Our third week of RAW art continues Tuesday.	Library borrowing has now finished for the year. Please have your child bring in their library books during the week so that the stock take can take place.  Spell-a-thon continues, please remember to return all sponsorship forms by Friday 17 November.

This Week in Mandarin				
Koalas	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes	
traditional Chinese clothing. What are the differences from what we are wearing? We will do a color-in exer-	This week we are going to learn more farm animals - sheep, cattle, pig and horse. We will sing the song Old McDonald Had a Farm in Mandarin. We will do an exercise of matching the animal sounds with the vocabulary.	This week we are going to learn more fa horse. We will do an exercise of matchicabulary. We will continue to practice ma (I have) and 'wo xi huan' (I like).	ng the animal sounds with the vo-	

This Week in Music				
Koalas	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes	
fairy tales that involve wolves We	Wombats will be excitedly rehearsing for our first recorder performance in Monday's Assembly. We hope you really enjoy it!	We will continue learning the descant re Dance" and rehearsing vocal solo parts We may even have time to start a new Uming rhythm.	of our class song "What IAm"	

This Week in Stage Groups			
Kindergarten	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Using play and imagination, Kindergarten will explore the possibilities of products and think about how the product could be better ie a baby doll. Could the doll have a button to make it do something special? Could the train set be adapted to include another special feature?	This week is stage learning students are going to continue exploring different materials around them and how materials can be mixed together for a particular purpose. Students will conduct an experiment on a popular 1970's item, lava lamps.	This week in stage groups students will be looking at malleable solids as we continue our unit on Matter. Students will experiment will a range of solids to find those that are easy to difficult to mold and change.	This week stage 3 will continue their paper roller coast marble run design in the school makerspace in the library.





#### MOVIE, PRIZES, FOOD, TREATS, MUSIC, FUN!

- Great food BBQ, pasta, vegetarian, vegan
- Gourmet desserts
- Santa visit, SES, Firetruck, performances
- Raffle plenty of great prizes
- Stalls fairy floss, popcorn, treats, glow products, novelties, xmas trees & puddings, and more...
- Alcohol-free event

- Outdoor Movie: FREE entry all ages (movie 7:40pm)
- Kids Zone: \$15 wristband entry (4–7pm, ages 3 yrs+)
  = UNLIMITED access to Inflatable Fun in 3 sizes (inc.
  Adrenaline Rush II) + Garden Games (rocket launcher,
  GIANT games: chess, Jenga, Lego, Snakes & Ladders...)
  FREE entry for children 2yrs & under
  SAVE \$ with EARLY BIRD & Family pricing
- Maker-Space/Play-Place: FREE entry all ages

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