Curriculum News

Welcome back to school for Term 4, 2016. We’re hoping you all had a restful and relaxing break and are ready and willing for the last 9 weeks of Year 4. We have an exciting term planned ahead to finish of a successful 2016.

LITERACY

Term 4 has a strong focus on advertising and persuasive texts. Students will explore still and moving picture ads from the past and the present day. They will discuss techniques advertisers use to persuade their target audience to buy their product. Students will then put this knowledge into practice by making the front cover of a children’s cereal box.

NUMERACY

Throughout the term students will apply a variety of mathematical concepts in real-life, life-like and purely mathematical situations. Students will begin a Mental Maths program in week 2, aimed at improving their recall of their times table and related division facts. This program will also include a ‘number of the day’ activity focusing using place value to assist with calculations. During Term 4 students will continue to develop their understandings and proficiency in the following areas:

- Number and place value – choosing applying efficient mental strategies for all operations
- Money – solving questions involving change, and planning simple budgets
- Fractions and decimals – comparing and ordering using decimal fractions to hundredths
- Data – selecting and trialling methods for data collection and constructing suitable data displays

OTHER KLAs

Science – Students will explore how forces can be exerted by one object on another through direct contact or from a distance.
History – Students will pose and answer questions about how life changed for Indigenous Australians when the First Fleet arrived.
Technology - Students will use PowerPoint to create the cover for a children’s cereal box.
Health – Students will explore what a balanced lifestyle looks like, and communicate their ideas in a poster.

How Parents can help us!

You can help by watching TV with your children!!!!!
When your children are watching TV, get them to sit with you during the commercial break and answer these questions:
What is the advertisement selling?
Who is the target audience?
What sound and visual elements were persuasive?
Was there persuasive language spoken, or written on the screen?

Attendance - Ensuring your children arrives on time and prepared for EACH school day is of enormous value to their schooling. Attendance is important as every day counts!

Key Days for Year 4

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