



# YEAR FOUR

## IMPORTANT TERM DATES:

### **Term Four Commences**

Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>

### **Division Athletics**

Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup>

### **Whole School Incursion with Richard Schoel**

Wednesday October 12<sup>th</sup>

### **Division Athletics Backup Day**

Thursday October 13<sup>th</sup>

### **Multiage Math Day**

Friday October 14<sup>th</sup>

### **Pupil Free Professional Planning Day**

Friday October 21<sup>st</sup>

### **Melbourne Cup Day**

Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Swimming program**

Wednesday November 2<sup>nd</sup> –  
Friday November 11<sup>th</sup>

### **Gardenvale School Fair**

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup>

### **Chinese Museum Excursion**

Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup>

### **Inter House Swimming Carnival**

Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>

### **Sovereign Hill Excursion**

Thursday December 1<sup>st</sup>

### **District Swimming Trials**

Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **Billy Cart Grand Prix**

Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>

### **Year 4 End of Unit Expo**

Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>

### **Online Reports Live**

Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>

### **Term Four Concludes**

Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>  
1:30pm Dismissal

## TERM OVERVIEW

It is always surprising how time flies in the last term of the school year. The children are preparing for their transition to Year Five and as always, the Year Four teachers will ensure that the students have an extremely rewarding and productive term.

Over the course of Term Four, we will be continuing to develop our Respectful Relationships unit. We will use classroom activities to develop student emotional vocabulary, monitor emotions of themselves and others as well as building empathy. These activities will also assist students to describe and demonstrate what respectful gender inclusive behaviour looks like.

## INQUIRY UNIT

Our Inquiry Unit this term is **'The History of Australia between 1800-1901'**.

### **Our focus questions for this unit are:**

- What were the significant events of the period 1800-1901?
- Who were some of the main explorers of Australia and why did they explore?
- Why did people migrate to Australia?
- What was the impact of the Gold Rush on Australia?

The students will learn about Bushrangers, Gold Rush, Eureka Stockade, Explorers and Migration. This unit will involve a wide variety of activities such as researching and watching My Place documentaries to deepen their understanding of what life is like between 1800-1901.

At the end of the unit, the students will present their learning in a Year 4 Expo.

## LITERACY FOCUS

In English the writing focus will be on poetry and narrative writing. Particular emphasis will be placed on spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, proofreading and editing. Our reading skills will continue to develop through the CAFÉ Reading program.

## NUMERACY FOCUS

In Mathematics we will be working on fractions, decimals and the four operations. There will also be problem solving activities involving currency. Students will be involved in developing strategies to pose and answer worded problems. We will continue to work on our times tables. Mental maths will form a major component of this area of the curriculum in preparation for Year Five.