

# Year 4

### Pimpama State School

Term 1

# January 25, 2024



#### Calendar for Term 1

26th Feb- 8th March- Book Fair 26th Feb- 15th March - Life Ed 8th March- Cross Country 20th March - 31st March Parent/ Interviews Week 9 - Yr4 Camp

#### Parade

Wednesday is assembly day and in keeping with the formality of this, the children are expected to wear their formal (checked) shirt. Parade is 1:45pm-2:15pm.

All parents and carers are welcome to attend.



Best Awards are handed out to any student displaying positive choices in the playground. A special welcome to any new families to our Pimpama school community. Should you have any questions or concerns settling into the school year, please don't hesitate to contact us. Our teaching team consists of Mrs Fletcher, Miss Fels, Mr Morgan, Ms Quarman and Mrs Harrison. We will be working collaboratively to offer quality learning opportunities, for the best learning outcomes for all students.

# Welcome

#### **Bell Times**

Students are asked to go to classrooms at 8:20am for quiet reading. If they arrive after 8:30am they must get a late slip from the office. Therefore, it is important students are on time each day.

Also, should you need to take your child early, please report to the office first for an early departure slip. These procedures are to ensure the safety of the students.



#### P+C Meeting

Everyone is welcome at the annual P&C AGM meeting on 12th February at 6pm in the library.

#### Snack Shack

Our canteen (The Snack Shack) operates everyday excluding the last day of each term. You can place your orders through www.flexischools.com.au

#### Water Bottles

Please remind your student to pack a water bottle each day. The weather is still very hot, and, although we have air conditioners, students are running around at play time and require a lot of water to stay hydrated.



#### <u>Uniform</u>

It is wonderful to see so many students wearing the school uniform. At Pimpama, we are encouraging students to take pride in their school and their appearance and wearing the correct school uniform is an important part of this. Remember, checked shirt on Wednesdays.

The teachers and students enjoy the many positive ways that you and your family contribute to making Pimpama such a special place to be! This year we would appreciate if you could make a \$50 family contribution which goes towards your child's learning.



This term, students will learn about the journey of the First Fleet. They will learn the reasons for the voyage and who travelled to Australia. Students will compare the perspectives of the European settlers and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People during their First Contacts. They will also investigate daily life in the Botany Bay penal settlement.

# Information

# **English**

This term students will be reading Roald Dahl's 'The Twits' and focusing on the narrative structure and characterization. They will be expected to write a follow up chapter as an assessment.

Students will also be examining humour in poetry and will identify and analyse literary devices in a range of humorous poetry.



# Homework

Each Monday students will be given Homework on their laptop OneNote. It is expected to be completed by Friday each week. Homework will consist of spelling, number facts and completing a homework task. Also students should be encouraged to read every day and utilize the online learning programmes of Reading Eggs and Mathletics.

# <u>Camp</u>

This year, the Year 4 camp will be held in Week 9 at Currumbin Community Farm, which is situated in Currumbin Valley QLD. The programme is called 'Connecting to Country'- What might life have been like for a jarjum (child) in the many years before first contact? They will learn about the local flora and fauna and caring for 'Country' for future generations.

Attendance at school camp provides children with wonderful opportunities to experience self-reliance and co-existence in a safe environment one step from the security of home and family experiences. More information coming soon.

# **Communication**

Communication between school and home regarding your child's learning and behaviour is vital for the best learning outcomes. The different communication methods we are offering this year; term newsletters, letters home, phone calls, reports, parent interviews, homework, email and the behaviour card. We would greatly appreciate your support and encouragement in your child's learning.

Emails: 4A Mrs Fletcher <u>wflet1@eq.edu.au</u>, 4B Miss Fels <u>mfels3@eq.edu.au</u>, 4C Mr Jacob Morgan <u>jmmor1@eq.edu.au</u>, 4D Ms Elaine Quarman <u>equar5@eq.edu.</u>au, and 4E Mrs Tara Harrison <u>txcla5@eq.edu.au</u>.

# **Mathematics**

In Number, students will create algorithms to investigate numbers and explore simple number patterns. They will continue to use a range of strategies to recall multiplication and division facts to 9x9. Students will find the unknown quantity of a number sentence using addition and multiplication. In Measurement, they will convert between units of time and use scaled instruments to measure temperature and lengths. In Probability, they will use the language of chance, explain depend-

ent and independent events and conduct chance experiences.



# <u>Laptops BYO Year 4 to</u> <u>Year 6</u>

The successful BYO Laptop program is designed to help students keep up with the demands of the 21st century. The laptop 'Getting Started'



checklist and 'How to' guides for connecting can be located on the school website.

# **School Website**

Please take the time to check out the school website. It is up-to-date with information of importance to you and your family. There are also photos and other things that you may find interesting. www.pimpamass.eq.edu.au