

PURPLE HUB NEWS - WK 3 & 4, Term 1

IMPORTANT DATES

Beginning of Year Mass	Friday 14 Feb 12pm
Dress Up Day - Gold coin donation	Friday Feb 20
School Closure	Monday 24 Feb
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday 26 Feb 12pm Mass
Swimming Lessons	March 16 - 26
Earth Fest	Friday March 20
School Photos	March 23 - 24
Eucharist (Year 4)	Tuesday July 28 - Eucharist meeting August 2nd, 16th and 23rd at the 9am Parish Mass. (families to choose from one of these dates)
School Camp	Year 4 Mon 7 September, Year 5 Mon- Wed, 7-9 September

Selamat siang!

We have had a wonderful start to the school year with all students (and teachers) settling really well into their new classes. The Hub is a hive of activity and we will move into Star Learning this week.

4MF & 4AG are working beautifully in the open area classroom and we are reminded that all other classes are to use their outside doors to access their classrooms.

We would also like to welcome Kate Salisbury, who will be working in 4MF for the next few weeks.

MEET & GREET

Our Meet & Greet meetings take place this week. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher and to tell them all they need to know about your child. This information will assist us to meet your child's learning needs.

Meetings which take place after school on Tuesday and Wednesday, will be in your child's classroom, except for:

4MF - Teacher planning room near the entrance to Purple Hub

4AG - Withdrawal room at the end of Purple Hub, near the ampitheatre

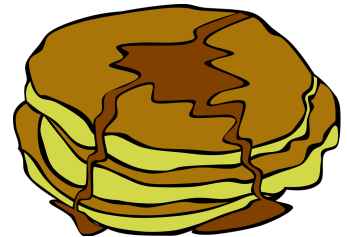
Meetings between 2 -3:30 this week:

4AG, 4ME & 4CO: withdrawal room at the end of Purple Hub, near the ampitheatre. The amphitheater room can be accessed by the back door, near the basketball court

5MG: withdrawal room off the kitchen area.. Please wait in the airlock at the entry to 4AG and 4MF.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Tuesday Feb 25th is Shrove Tuesday. This is the day before Ash Wednesday and traditionally was the day when all sugar and flour was used up before a period of fasting began in Lent. To acknowledge this tradition, students will be making pancakes in their classes. If you are available to assist with cooking, please email your child's teacher. If you have a lemon tree and would like to donate lemons, they would be greatly appreciated.



BUSHFIRE ASSISTANCE

As you will have read in the main newsletter on Friday 21st February, we will be having a dress up day where students are invited to come dressed as "Someone Who Cares for Others." This could be a firefighter, nurse, lifeguard, parent, grandparent, vet, friend etc....or even themselves. We ask that children use their own money to provide a gold coin donation on the day. We will also leave a donation box in the office for anyone who wishes to contribute further. At

the request of Alice in Year 6, whose grandfather lost his home in Mallacoota, a portion of this money will also go to a wildlife organisation.

If you have not read the email from Matt Hamer, Principal of St Brendan's PS, Lakes Entrance, please return to the main newsletter.

PURPLE HUB & EARTHFEST



Earth Fest will take place on Friday March 20. Each Hub has a particular focus and will be responsible for an activity on the evening. Purple Hub are focusing on being more sustainable in the area of food. Did you know that almost one third of food produced in the world is wasted? We will be learning about community groups who use excess food to feed people in need, the importance of composting, more sustainable food packaging and baking our own food, rather than buying pre packaged cakes and snacks. If you have any expertise in these areas and would like to assist us to develop our understandings, please contact Rebecca or Marianne. On the evening, our Hub will have a bake stall and we will call on volunteers who are interested in cooking.

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REQUEST FOR CEREAL BOXES AND MAGAZINES

We are involved in an environmental art project through the the City of Greater Geelong & Geelong Nature Forum this term. We require cereal boxes and bright, colourful magazines, (House & Garden style magazines would be perfect.) If you have any cereal boxes or magazines at home that you no longer need, please send them in to school.

HOMEWORK

Homework begins this week. Students will be able to access their homework via Google Classrooms, however they have also been given a homework book in which to complete their work. Our homework is due each Friday, including the student's diary, which should include the week's reading and is to be signed by a parent.

LEARNING AREAS TO BEGIN THE TERM (taken from the Victorian Curriculum)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Let your Light Shine - We will be looking at we are all called to use our talents to bring hope to others.

WRITING Narrative writing, then moving into Persuasive Writing. Understanding how nouns, adjectives and phrases can be expanded in a variety of ways to provide a fuller description of the person, place, thing or idea. Through the Big Write program, students have personal writing goals to work on, improving the standard of their writing.

READING Identify features used in narrative and persuasive texts to meet the purpose of the text, and understand how texts vary in complexity, purpose and the intended audience. Elaborating on comprehension.

MATHEMATICS Understanding the place value system. Investigating strategies to solve problems involving addition and subtraction.

INTEGRATED INQUIRY Civics and Citizenship - Understanding how decisions are made democratically, the importance of rules and laws and active citizenship. Year 5 will also look at Australia's levels of government and the electoral process.

VISUAL ARTS To begin the year we will be involved in an art project to create artworks for display in the National Wool Museum Geelong, during the Geelong Nature Forum at the end of Term One 2020. The exhibition will showcase 26 waterway and wetland birds that are threatened in the Geelong region.

PERSONAL & SOCIAL CAPABILITIES Reflect on how personal strengths assist us in achieving success. Understand the importance of confidence, adaptability and persistence in dealing with new or challenging situations.

INDONESIAN Increasing our conversational language skills in Indonesian.