# Hub Kuning - Istilah Tiga, Minggu Sembilan Yellow Hub - Term 3, Week 9

## Some Important Dates for Calendars

Monday 15th & Wednesday 17th September Ocean Grove Library Excursion

Friday 19th September Last Day Term 3 2:30pm Finish Footy colours and gold coin donation for

Opening Doors.

Monday 6th October Beginning Term 4
Friday 24th October 4LG Assembly
Monday 3rd November Student Free Day

Tuesday 4th November Melbourne Cup \*School Closure Day- Teacher Public Holiday"

Friday 5th December Staff Professional Development **School Closure Day** 

Wednesday 17th December Last Day Term 4 2:30pm Finish

Please note that dates are subject to change

### First Eucharist

A huge congratulations to all those that took part in their First Eucharist over the last three weekends. We are very proud of the way everyone prepared and participated on the days. Thank you to all those that attended and supported the children, especially Father Linh for facilitating each session.

Any feedback to help inform future planning for First Eucharist is most welcome.

Also, if any families participated in the formation of their children at home by exploring the <u>Journeying Together</u> link, please let me know at <u>rnancarrow@staroceangrove.catholic.edu.au</u> and I will send through a couple of questions. This was the first time this has been offered/made available here.







### **Lunchbox Reminder**

#### Carry In, Carry Out to Reduce Food & Packaging Waste

A recent school wide audit of all bins across our school over a four day period revealed that approximately 18-20kgs of food waste was collected, including over 15 whole or nearly whole apples in just FOUR DAY!! Food wrappers were also identified as a "very high" waste category, with two x-large garbage bags of plastic lunch waste collected in those four days across the school.

We'd like to remind you that our school promotes a Nude Food and Carry In, Carry out approach to food waste and food packaging. Please encourage your child/children to bring home any popcorn, chip, muesli bar, yoghurt packaging and also uneaten food so you can see what they enjoy and aren't eating and adjust lunches accordingly.

Keep an eye out for some simple tips to assist with this over the next few weeks.

# **Headphones**

A reminder that all students do need a set of headphones. *There are a large number of children that don't have access to these when needed.* They can leave these at school if you wish.

# **Home Reading Reminder**

Please note that reading at home is still a school expectation and is essential for your child's learning and development. It helps build vocabulary, improves comprehension, and strengthens their ability to communicate clearly. Regular reading also sparks imagination, encourages curiosity, and fosters a lifelong love for learning. By reading together, discussing stories, and encouraging independent reading, you are giving your child the tools they need to succeed academically and beyond.

It is an expectation that Year 4 students will read a minimum of 3 times a week for 20 minutes and have their diary signed and brought into school on a Friday.

Students are encouraged to explore a variety of books, which may come from:

- the school library,
- take-home tubs in your child's classroom
- personal home library
- Ocean Grove Library We recommend you access the library, outside of school visits, to return and borrow books.

If you are having any issues with home reading, please contact your child's teacher to see how we can assist you.

### **Times Tables**

Year 4 students are encouraged to continue consolidating a specific times table they are working towards at home. There are many ways to practice these. For example;

• Skip count by (specific times table). Time yourself. Are you getting faster?

- Write out your (specific) times tables three times and have someone at home test you on them
- Time yourself writing out the times table you need to learn. Do this three times. Did you get faster?
- Have a times table challenge with someone in your family
- Play Multiplication War: Each player flips two cards, multiplies them, and the highest product wins
- Draw a grid with chalk with answers to specific timetables. Ask a questions and jump to that answer (can be reversed with equations written and you say the answer)
- There are a number of websites free to access to practice times tables. For example,
- times tables <a href="https://www.timestables.com/speed-test/">https://www.timestables.com/speed-test/</a>
- times tables <a href="https://www.timestables.com/1-minute-test/">https://www.timestables.com/1-minute-test/</a>
- times tables <u>timestables.com</u>
- goat maths https://www.abc.net.au/education/goat-maths-disco-goats/102120828

### Other Reminders

\* We do ask for a box of tissues from each family please to be kept in the classroom

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Term 3 Holiday. We look forward to next term when there are lots more exciting experiences planned.

A reminder that email is a great way to keep in touch with us. We will also email parents so keep an eye out for messages from us.

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