

## **Highfields State School**

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### Newsletter Term 3, 2021

Please find general information below about planned curriculum and activities for your child across Year 4 this term.

#### **Mathematics**

The weekly focus on number facts will continue and children are expected to know ALL multiplication and division facts up to 10, with automatic recall. This expectation is to be achieved before or definitely by the end of Year 4. Addition facts to 10 + 10 and associated subtraction facts should also be understood and firmly ingrained. Fractional work and associated problem solving forms part of this semester's work along with reading measurements of length, volume, mass and temperatures and associated problems. Number relationships and the four operations will be consolidated.

# English

This term centres on listening to, reading and exploring the historical narrative, 'Eliza Bird'. The comprehension strategies of connecting, comparing and contrasting, sequencing, identifying fact and opinion and synthesising will be taught in preparation for their comprehension assessment. Children will be explicitly taught the structure and language features of an historical recount. They will write a recount from the perspective of a child convict.

#### HASS

Our HASS unit focuses on investigating European exploration and the movement of people as Australia was explored by Europeans. The impact of colonisation on the country and its Indigenous Australians will be investigated.

### Science—Physical Sciences

Children will identify and represent the effect that different forces have on objects. Simple experiments will be conducted and children will complete the investigation with written explanations and labelled diagrams to explain their understanding of forces.

## The Arts

During Semester 2 children will be involved in the sub-strand of MEDIA. More details about content and assessment will be in the Term 4 overview.

#### **Technology and ICT**

ICT skills will be taught to parallel with work taught in other KLA's. Coding and touch typing will be a focus.

#### Excursions, events and activities

All Year 4 classes will attend the Amaroo Environmental Centre for a day excursion in Week 1.

If you need to talk to your child's teacher, please contact through email to make an appointment. Your discussion can be given time and attention. Teachers will generally not take phone calls during the school day, as they will be teaching.

*Thank you*, for your continued support as we, 'Fly high with learning here at Highfields!' Year 4 teachers: Ms Lisa Brogan: <u>Ismit2@eq.edu.au</u> Mrs Angie Cooper: <u>acoop1@eq.edu.au</u> Mrs Michelle McDougall: <u>mmcdo102@eq.edu.au</u> Mr Graham McDougall: <u>gmcdo21@eq.edu.au</u>