Highfields State School - Parent Information Session 'MC'
Wednesday 11/2/15

Teacher - Mr Graham McDougall  
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If your child is absent, please inform us of the reason by email 
absences@highfieldssss.eq.edu.au or call the school office 46 996222

Key Learning Areas Overview for Term 1

English - Analysing & Creating Persuasive & Narrative Texts
Maths - Number - Place Value, Addition, Subtraction, Time, Money
Geography - Mapping, Landmarks & Icons of Australia
Science - Feathers, Fur or Leaves (Biological Science - Classification)
The Arts - Music with Mr Henzler
Visual Art - Working with Warm & Cool Colours/Textures within Collage

Health/P.E. - P.E. with Mr Mackay (Swimming in Weeks 7 & 8)
Healthy Choices/Personal identity & relationships / Cyber Safety

Technology - Design & Production
Planning and reflection of collage process

Important Events - Term 1 Swimming lessons/School Photos/Swimming Carnival/Fun Run/Cross Country
Term 2 NAPLAN/Athletics Carnival/Report Cards
Term 3 Possible Amaroo visit
Term 4 Report Cards

Weekly Timetable Events
• Banking - Tuesday
• Tuckshop - morning tea & big lunch orders in brown paper bag or internet orders
• Library - Tuesday middle session (bag preferred)
• Music - Thursday
• LOTE - Friday
• P.E. - Thursday
• Computer Lab - Thursday morning session, 10:00 - 11:00
• Religious Instruction - TBA
• Assembly - Friday morning 9 a.m. in Smart Space
Swimming Lessons:
- As we are a 3-4 composite class we have swimming in term 1. This will be during weeks 7 & 8 and will encompass two one-hour sessions in each week. Further information will follow closer to these dates.

Brain Break Requirements
- Healthy snack of fresh fruit, vegetable sticks, cheese, dried fruit. Please, definitely no food with nuts or nut products. Preferably no packaged items containing foods high in sugar (added or natural).

Homework Requirements
- 20 minutes per night maximum (includes reading time).
- Homework sheet sent home in book each Monday.
- Homework returned on Friday of each week.
- Homework is designed to be an opportunity for students to show their families what they already know.
- Home reading should be done 4 nights per week and written up on the sheet in the back of their homework books. If your child is more motivated to read a chapter book or any other text apart from class readers, please write the page numbers they read each night or the title or type of text they have read to you.
- If homework is too hard, too easy or too time consuming please let me know and I will make adjustments.

Late Arrivals/Early Departures
- As per school policy, please sign your student in/out at Office.

P & C - Please support the wonderful work our P & C does in this school. They warmly welcome new members and the Annual General Meeting is to be held later in the year.

Contact
Please feel free to contact me with any of your questions or concerns via my email address: qmcdo21@eq.edu.au or mobile: 0428 220 675 or if you prefer, ring the office and arrange a time we can get together so I can give you the time and attention you deserve 😊.

Kind regards,
Mr Graham McDougall