



Module 3 – Newsletter 4

Welcome back to James Cook Primary School. We hope you had a safe and relaxing holiday break. We are quickly approaching the end of another year and Term 4 looks to be a busy and exciting time. We welcome Mrs. Deligianni to James Cook Primary School who has joined the Module Three Education Support Team.

CURRICULUM

Each week, students will participate in a range of subjects designed to develop important lifelong skills. Your child will participate in the following weekly subjects during Term 4:

Module-Based Lessons	
Subject	Number of Sessions (Weekly)
Reading	5
Maths (Including Measurement)	5
Writing	4
Inquiry	2
Spelling	Daily Sessions
Sport	1
I.C.T.	1

Additionally, students will participate in one weekly specialist class for Art, P.E, Science, Music and Mandarin. Please don't hesitate to come and talk about your child's progress with their subject teacher as we are more than happy to help your child reach their goals.

SWIMMING PROGRAM

Our annual swimming program is back and will take place during weeks 9 and 10. Basic swimming skills are crucial to have in Australia and participating in a school program is becoming mandated by The Education Department. Please include your child in this program, especially if your child has little or no experience in the water. All money and permission forms must be returned to the office by **WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2017**.

HATS

James Cook Primary School is a 'Sun Smart' school. Therefore, it is **COMPULSORY** for students to wear their school hats during Term 4 as the weather begins to heat up. Even on days that appear to be colder, UV rays can be very damaging to your skin. Students who do not bring their hats will be restricted the undercover area outside the canteen door.

INQUIRY – OUR EARTH, THE SUN AND THE MOON

During Inquiry sessions, students will be exploring the relationship between the Earth, Sun and Moon. Students will be looking at the cycle of day becoming night and vice versa. Students have already been thinking about the connection between the three space structures and have formulated questions for research as the term progresses. Each student will complete a multimedia project to demonstrate their understanding of the topic and will present their finished product to their classmates.

HOME LEARNING

Last term, we experimented with a home learning program. Students were asked to use their creativity and design skills to complete a range of activities that encouraged them to apply many of the different skills taught while they are at school. This experiment yielded pleasing results and as a result, we will continue the home learning initiative this term. Students will have received a home learning overview sheet to discuss with you. Please read over this information with your child. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask your child's home group teacher.

INTRA-TRANSITION PROGRAM

Beginning on 11th December, students will practise participating in activities with their for 2018 module. Year 4 students will begin understanding the expectations and processes of being in Module 4 for Year 5. Year 3 students will welcome the Year 2 students and begin modelling the expectations of Module 3. On Thursday 21st December, students will meet their new home group teacher and classmates for 2018.

KEY DATES – TERM 4

OCTOBER	
24 th	Special Lunch – Sausages in Bread
27 th	Harmony Square Notice Due
NOVEMBER	
1 st	Swimming Notice Due,
2 nd	Music Count Us In – Harmony Square
3 rd	Walk to School Day – 8am
7 th	MELBOURNE CUP – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
10 th	Mini-Fete – 1pm
13 th	Stomp Dance Session
14 th	Special Lunch – Pizza
29 th	PMI – Music Performance
DECEMBER	
4 th	Choir – Endeavour Hills Performance @ Endeavour Hills Library
4 th – 15 th	Swimming Program
5 th	Special Lunch – TBA
7 th	Family Night
11 th – 12 th	Intra-Transition Program
20 th	Class Party – End of Year Celebrations
21 st	Meet the Teacher Day
22 nd	End of Term 4

We appreciate your continued support for your child's growth and learning.

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