

CHESTER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Quality education in a caring learning environment

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YEAR 4 INFORMATION

Dear Parents / Carers,

The following information was discussed at our Meet the Teacher afternoon.

Behaviour

- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is a school wide approach to teaching and reinforcing appropriate behaviour.
- Short PBL lessons are taught in all classes each morning, based on a weekly focus.

Rewards are an important element of the PBL philosophy.

- Rewards include:
 - Stamp charts - for being safe, respectful, active learners in the classroom
 - Green tokens – for appropriate playground behaviour
 - Blue reward day - for anyone who remains on blue level all term
 - School rewards system - class awards, teacher awards, excellence award, Principal's award, Principal's trophy



English

- New curriculum for Years 3-6 begin this year.
- We are trialling the Department of Education units
- Whole class comprehension and writing lessons
- Explicit vocabulary lessons
- Daily reading fluency practice
- Sound Waves spelling program
- Literacy Pro for independent reading practice

Mathematics

- New curriculum for Years 3-6 begin this year.
- We are trialling the Department of Education units
- Term 1:
 - Whole number (place value)
 - Addition and subtraction
 - Length
 - 2D shapes
 - Time



Homework

- Will be sent home on Monday and is due on Friday.
- Consists of:
 - Daily reading – complete reading log
 - Segmenting spelling words and alphabetical order
 - Maths – for example mental calculations or problem solving
 - Science
 - Matrix

If students miss as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education.

- Students are required to attend school every day unless they are sick.
- If your child is absent from school, a note must be given to their teacher upon their return to school. Absence notes must be returned within 5 days.
- It is very important to be at school on time each day - lessons begin at 9am.
- Students who arrive after 9.10am need a late note from the office.

Stay up to date!

- Check emails regularly for notes and communications from school.
- Newsletter – emailed fortnightly
- School Website
- Facebook
 - Chester Hill Public School
 - Chester Hill Public School – Canteen and P&C

