Welcome back! It’s hard to believe we are beginning the final term of the year.

**English**

We will continue to emphasise the Super Six Strategies for comprehension during all English lessons. Stage 2 will be studying the books, “Stellaluna”, “The Little Refugee’ and “Charlotte’s Web” as part of a unit entitled, “Belonging”.

In spelling, children on 20 words will be set the challenge to write the week’s dictation passage. A child will be selected to read out their passage for the other children to write down. This is quite a challenging task and I look forward to some creative passages!

**Maths**

In maths, we will be focussing on the children developing a faster recall of the times tables. We will be practising the tables each day.

You could help at home by reinforcing their knowledge and quizzing your child on the times tables.

**HSIE**

The topic for this term is “The Local Environment”. We will be studying the various aspects of Narrabeen identifying the different natural and man made environments of the area.

We will also be linking this with visual arts when we use a variety of media to sketch the local environment, including the lake.
Science

The topic for this term is “Friend or Foe?”. The children will be learning about seed dispersal and the way plants are propagated. Keep your eyes open for a note about this from Mrs Clark.

PE/Fitness

We will continue our program with 4M each Tuesday after lunch. This term we will be concentrating on activities to develop hand—eye coordination, such as badminton and golf.

Health

This term we will be commencing Child Protection lessons, in which the children learn various strategies they can use to keep themselves safe.

Absences

Just a reminder to notify the school, when your child is absent. This can be in the form of a note, an email or a phone call to the school.

If your child is going to be absent for an extended period, even 5 days, please request an exemption form.

Thank you,
Ian Phillips