

## Year Four Newsletter

Term 3 2017

### Welcome Back!

I hope you all had a lovely break. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Debra Grant and I am married with two adult daughters. I have lived in Yamanto Ipswich for the last fourteen years and have fifteen years experience working in the primary and high school setting.



### This Term -

In English, students will be analysing historical recounts and planning and presenting an oral from the viewpoint of someone on the First Fleet. There will be a continued focus on reading and comprehension strategies, developing of writing skills, grammar and spelling.

In Maths, students will be covering number, measurement, fractions and decimals. We will also be consolidating and extending the use of strategies for the different operations. Another focus at Forest Hill is around problem solving. We are encouraging students to apply strategies they have and are learning, to different situations to assist them in all areas of their life.

In Science, students will explore forces and motion through hands-on activities identifying how contact or non-contact force can affect objects. In Geography, this term we will be exploring environments and places.

As part of the Health unit, students are required to gather information on their heritage and cultural background. Students will be asked to find information through questioning of family members. If you could assist your child in gathering this information, I would appreciate it very much thank you. I will keep you informed as to when this will happen.

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Library visits will continue each week (day TBA). Please encourage your child to have their library bag and to return previously borrowed books each week.

Homework will commence in Week Two. It will be handed out on Mondays and returned on Fridays for marking. If at any time your child is having difficulty with any part of the homework, please write me a note or arrange a time to chat about it.

Please encourage and support your son or daughter in reading daily by taking advantage of the home readers available and visits to the school or public library. Providing opportunities where you can listen to your child read and discuss what they are reading along with reading together, strengthen reading comprehension skills and enjoyment of reading.

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### Contact -

If you would like to chat about any concerns you have or say hello I can be contacted on:

[dgranis@eq.edu.au](mailto:dgranis@eq.edu.au) or by phoning the school to make an appointment on Phone 5411 2111. I am also available after school most days.