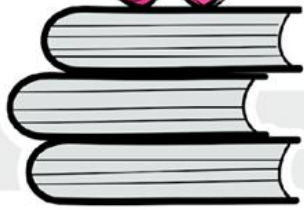
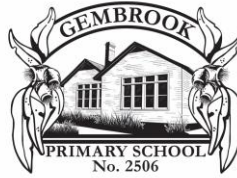




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Important Information

Gembrook Primary School respectfully acknowledges the Wurundjeri and Bunurong people of the Kulin Nation who are the traditional owners of the land on which we meet, share and work together. We also pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Welcome to Term 2! It is so great to see everyone's smiling faces again after the holidays. We had such a jam-packed Term 1 and it was so great to see our students excelling in so many ways. Our swimming and athletics carnivals were a great success and we are looking forward to Cross Country this term.



Teachers are available after school on Monday, Thursday and Friday for arranged meetings, or alternatively you can phone or email the school.

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Thank you,
The 3/4 Teaching Team

Timetable

	3/4A	3/4B	3/4C
Tues	Art	PE	Music
Wed	PE	Art	AUSLAN
Thur	Music/ AUSLAN	Music/ AUSLAN	PE/ Art

Assembly: Friday afternoons

Reminders

Drink Bottles: Students need to bring a labelled drink bottle to use during class time filled with water.

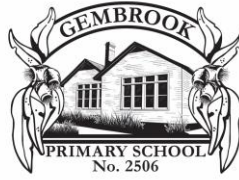
Fruit: Please send a piece of fruit or vegetable that students can eat on the floor during learning time without the need for a lunchbox.





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Writing

In Writing, students will be creating Poetry Anthologies this term. We will be focusing on haikus, blackout poems, odes and free verse poems. If you have any favourite poems that you read at home, please bring them in to share with the class! We will also be looking at informative writing in the second half of the term.

Reading

In Reading, we will work on our comprehension strategies of inferring, visualising, analysing and critical thinking. We are excited to start our book clubs in the second half of the term.

Word Work

Within our word work unit, we will strengthen students' knowledge of long vowels and digraphs. We will have a big focus on phonics and spelling. We will be expanding our vocabulary by learning new words that we can use in our writing.

Dates

May Dates	
Thursday 9th May	Mother's Day Stall
Wednesday 15th May	EDEC Cross Country
Friday 17th May	Curriculum Day
Monday 20th May	Whole School Poetry Expo
Tuesday 28th May	School Photos
June Dates	
Thursday 6th June	Camp Info Session
Monday 10th June	King's Birthday
Friday 28th June	Last Day of Term

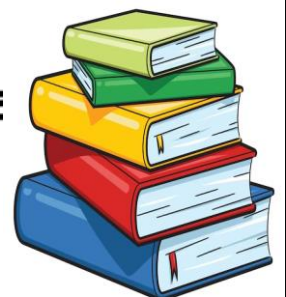
Science

In Term 2, we will be looking at 'Smooth Moves', our physical sciences topic. We will be looking at forces, friction and motion. We will be creating hypotheses and performing experiments.



Reading

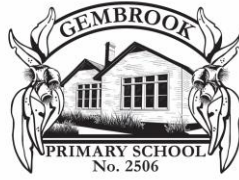
Students are well on their way to recording 50 and 100 nights of reading this term! Please remind students to fill out their nights of reading in their diary after they complete it each night!



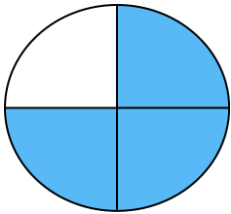


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Numeracy



In numeracy this term, we will be focusing on adding and subtracting, using 2 digit numbers. We will then move on to fractions

Our applied topics this term will be length, area, perimeter, mass, capacity and time. We will investigate problem solving this term which we are really excited about.

Inquiry

This term we will also have a focus on digital technologies for our inquiry. We will be looking at all sorts of technology and its importance in the last 50 years. We will start using Google Classroom so that students can complete their work on laptops. We are really excited to get this started and it will open up a lot of new possibilities in the way we learn at school.



Curriculum Links

For more information on the curriculum for your child, please visit the 'curriculum' section on our school website:

<https://www.gembrookps.vic.edu.au/wp/> and the Victorian Curriculum: <https://victoriancurriculum.vcaa.vic.edu.au>

Reminders

Uniform: Students are expected to be in **FULL** school uniform at school. This includes black shoes, school jackets/jumpers, a broad brimmed navy hat, and studs/sleepers for earrings (for your child's safety).

For more information on our school policies, please follow the link to our website:

<https://www.gembrookps.vic.edu.au/wp/index.php/policies/>



Positive Behaviours for Learning

AT ALL TIMES

RESPECT

- I use positive language in a calm voice, when I speak.
- I follow instructions the first time.
- I treat all belongings with care.
- I keep my hands and feet to myself.
- I listen to what others have to say, and wait for my turn.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS

- I have a growth mindset.
- I care for resources.
- I engage in all tasks to the best of my ability.
- I look after my peers.
- I walk quietly and calmly in roll order, when moving between classes.

PBL/Respectful Relationships

PBL is a big focus at Gembrook Primary School. Please ensure you are checking in and asking about GEM chips at school. We will be having specific lessons on our PBL guidelines and our respectful relationships topics.