Homework Expectations:

- Reading for 20-30 minutes every day. Remember to track your thinking and record your reading in your diary.

What’s Coming Up

- **Bush dance – Whole school community – Thursday 17th Sept**
  - Please purchase tickets online through [trybooking](http://www.trybooking.com/155802)
- Pre-purchase tickets, food and raffle tickets – by Wednesday 16th
- **Last Day of term 3** – Thursday 17th September (normal 3.20pm finish)
- **Curriculum Day** – Friday 18th September – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
- **Term 4 begins**: Monday 5th October

What we are learning about at the moment:

**Numeracy**: Whilst continuing to consolidate our multiplication and division skills, we are also working with money, decimals, fractions and timelines. That certainly looks like a lot of topics to cover all at the same time, but these areas of mathematics all are closely linked and working on one skill helps to consolidate another.

**Literacy**: Presentations of our History Projects have begun. Students are focussing on developing skills for presenting to an audience as well as being a supportive and attentive audience member.

**READ READ READ!!! EVERY NIGHT!!!** We know that reading more makes us better readers. Reading helps us to learn more about the world, it increases our vocabulary and helps our imagination to grow.

**MATHJLETICS**: It is expected that ALL Children will participate in our Mathletics program. It is essential that your child completes the tasks set for them. **Children not attempting Mathletics tasks at home will be given a separate homework sheet that must be completed at home.**

All students are focussing on THREE spelling words at a time.

Please feel free to contact your child’s teacher if you have something you would like to discuss.
As our Bushdance approaches, the students at The Patch are busily practising their dancing and we hope you are brushing up on your skills, too!

This event will be a celebration of our community and have a focus on wellbeing and engagement. There will be live entertainment with the band *Blackberry Jam* including whip-cracking, singing, dancing and even an emu! We are really looking forward to this dance!

Our Grade 6 students will be modelling their masks and performing a dance to celebrate their annual art project around identity.

We hope you will come and socialise with our whole school community. Sit comfortably and enjoy watching the children perform and remember to join in and dance with us. There will be food, drinks and raffle tickets available on the night.

The launch of our KidsMatter program will take place and there will be displays from several wellbeing organisations at the venue highlighting the services they offer.

So circle the date on the calendar, get the grandparents and friends organised and get excited as we are in for a fun night of enjoyment and entertainment. Prizes will be awarded for the best bush dancing costume.

**Please note that parents are responsible for their own children throughout the evening.** We are sure you will enjoy the night!

**Remember, the day after our Bushdance, Friday 18th September, is a Curriculum Day for the whole school which is a student-free day.**

**RAFFLE**

As the Bushdance is our major fundraiser for this school year, we are also running a raffle. We have some fantastic prizes! Each raffle ticket costs $2.

Please order raffle tickets on QkR. You can purchase as many as you like, there is no limit! Alternatively, complete the raffle ticket order form available on the school website. Please return completed form and correct money to the school Fundraising letterbox.

**QkR orders will close on Wednesday 16th September. Raffle tickets will be on sale during the Bushdance and we will draw the Raffle on the night.** Good Luck!

**TICKETING**

Ticket cost will be a low $10 per entry or $25 per family, where a family is two adults and their children, be that three, five, two, etc. There is no allocated seating as we will need plenty of room for dancing our socks off!

Please purchase tickets online through [trybooking](http://www.trybooking.com/155802). Alternatively, contact Jody at the office (between Monday – Thursday) who will process your ticket order for you.

**PRE-ORDER FOOD**

We will be selling hot food, hot/cold drinks and snacks. To organise catering, we encourage you to pre-order so you don’t miss out. You can pay and pre-order all your sausages, vegetarian options, cold drinks and cookie snacks on QkR. There will be gluten free bread available on the night. Note that hot drinks must be purchased on the night.

**There will be limited food available for sale on the night but pre-order is your best option to ensure your family is well-fed after all the dancing!**

If you cannot access QkR please complete the form, available on the website and return to school with correct money in the Fundraising letterbox outside the staffroom. Forms must be returned by Tuesday 15th September.