Welcome to Week 4, Term 1!

Although we’ve really enjoyed getting off to a flying start with our Year 4 study across the academic domains last week, we still found time to spend with our new Grade 1 Buddies. Meeting our Buddies, reading to them and drawing pictures with them on Wednesday afternoon was one of the (many) highlights of our week!
7 HABITS AT HOME

Now that we are all back at school, here are a few easy ways to revise the habits at home.

**Be Proactive:** Take charge of setting a daily routine and sticking to it.

**Begin with the end in mind:** Write a plan for the week: when to do daily reading, weekly homework, etc.

**Put First Things First:** Go to bed early on school nights.

**Think Win Win:** Discuss win-win strategies to practise at home which could be used with peers at school as well.

**Seek First to Understand:** Wait for someone to finish talking before reacting or interrupting.

**Synergise:** Work together on home projects or even with daily routines.

**Sharpen the Saw:** Bring fruit snacks to school. Exercise, healthy eating, an active mind and a happy heart are all equally

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**This week in Grade 4:**

**Literacy:** This week students will begin Guided Reading rotations, progressing onto Reciprocal Reading over the coming weeks. This week we also will revise the use of basic punctuation such as full stops and capital letters.

**Writing** In Writing the students will be continuing on with polishing their writing in the Recount Style by planning, drafting, producing and editing their work.

**Mathematics** Maths this week will see students discover the properties and rules of applying place value to numbers as they explore a range of formal and hands on activities, in groups and individually.

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**Other reminders/notices**

**The Leader in Me Parent Information Session**

Next Thursday February 12th from 9:15am to 9:45am Laura Wapling and Jo Moriani will brief parents about the Leader in Me process in our new Grade 2 building (near the play equipment).

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**Science Fact from Ms Ziogos**

Science Fact of the week Term 1 week 3 2015

Camels can drink 30 gallons (113 liters) of water in just 13 minutes. The water is stored in the camel bloodstream, rather than being stored in its fatty hump. The fatty hump serves as a source of nourishment when food is scarce.

Wishing you a wonderful week ahead,

Jo Moriani 4M, Arran Armitage 4A, & Sophie Glover 4G