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NEWSLETTER

Term 1/2020 Week 4

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Term Dates

2020

Term 1
Mon 3rd Feb – 9th April 2020

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28th April – 3rd July

Term 3
20th July – 25th September

Term 4
13th Oct – 17th Dec.

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1. Monday is a public holiday called “**Labour Day**” in Western Australia. Schools and government buildings will not be open.

2. **Thunder and lightning.** This tropical rain and thunderstorms is quite unusual in Perth, but at least the rain is warm. Parents need to warn their children about the dangers of lightning, and we worry about the children’s safety when parents are dropping off, or picking up, their children in storms. Please park your cars before you signal to your children to come to you. The highest level of danger for children occurs when parents stop in the middle of the car park drive way and call their children to run through the traffic. That is really dangerous.

3. **Young children walking home.** Children in the early year levels (K, PP, and 1) are too young to walk home by themselves. While we can’t stop this, we will ring and discuss the issue with parents. Research has shown that these young children do not have the ability to judge the speed of cars when they attempt to cross the road.

4. **Names on clothes.** Please put your children’s names on their clothes, particularly their hats because the “Lost Property Box” is always full.

5. **Birthdays and other celebrations.** Any cakes or confectionary that is brought to school must come from a commercial kitchen, be sealed and have the contents listed. Our canteen does birthday cakes.

6. **Coronavirus.** We are watching this situation with real concern and will keep parents informed when changes are effected in Australia.

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