



mathstar

Mathematics & English

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Centre Newsletter

Key Dates

March 2016

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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April 2016

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

14th March

CLOSED for Labour Day

25th & 26th March

CLOSED for Easter

Dear Parents and Students,

The students have settled well into their routines and we're even more determined to make this year a year of results for each of our students.

Some students may not see the connection between what they do at the centre with what they do in their school classroom. I'd like to remind students that our primary goal is to equip students with the tools that they need to give them the best success in higher-level mathematics. For those who are behind, this is the year to skill up. For those who are ahead, dig deeper into the concepts taught to develop stronger critical thinking skills. This is your year, so make the most of it!

This month, we will be closed on Monday, the 14th of March, Friday, the 25th and Saturday the 26th. If you would like to make up those sessions on alternate dates and times, please speak with me to check availability.

Lately, there have been a few incidents involving the centre toilet. We try to ensure that the toilets are clean and accessible for all students, however, when students misuse the toilet, it prevents other students and staff from using it. If these incidents continue, we may have to introduce a policy that requires students to sign off before using the toilet.

There are still a handful of students who often come to class without their stationery. As a result, Steve has no choice but to implement the Pencil Penalty as of March 2016.

Term 1 School Holidays

25th March to 10th April

Classes will continue as normal over the school holidays. We encourage students to use this opportunity to catch-up or power ahead of their peers.

If you are planning to be away, please let me know at your earliest convenience to allow adequate staffing over the holiday period.

See you in class!

Sheryn and the team from Mathstar.

*** Cool Maths Trick ***

How to check if a number is divisible by 2, 3, 4 and 5 and 10.

Is 1348 divisible by 2?

1348 is an even number. It is divisible by 2.

Is 1348 divisible by 3?

Add up all the digits. $1+5+4+8 = 18$. 18 is a multiple of 3, so it is divisible by 3.

Is 1348 divisible by 4?

Look at the last two digits of 1348 – 48. 48 is a multiple of 4, so it is divisible by 4.

If a number ends in 5 or 0, it is divisible by 5.

If a number ends in 0, it is divisible by 10.

Welcome

Amy G.
Charlotte R.
Elpida I.
Emelia D.
Emma B.
Julia C.
Julie H.
Matias L.
Natalie T.
Nikolaj L.
Oliver T.
Olivia B.
Ruby R.
Sienna D.
Taylah B.
Tenzen D.
Wesley Y.



Solve the Riddle

I have streets but
no pavement,
I have cities but
no buildings,
I have forests but
no trees,
I have rivers, yet
no water.

What am I?