

New educators: Guide to Term 4

By Natalie Blewitt
Growth Team coordinator

Term 4 is one of the busiest of the school year. There are so many to-do list items that need to be checked off. It is easy to get lost in the frenetic pace of the term, so planning your time is very important.

For many of you, one of the non-negotiables this term will have been completing your reports.

If you write comments for the students you teach, remember to look back on what you wrote for Semester 1 and write them in parent-friendly language. Using wording from the judging standards may also assist. Log into the School Curriculum and Standards Authority website (scca.wa.edu.au) to access the extranet. While you're there, don't forget to check out the curriculum support materials. These are being added to all the time.

There are several events that happen during this term. You may be interested in covering one or two with your students. Some of the more common ones include:

- White Ribbon Day: 18 November.
- World Children's Day: 20 November.
- Human Rights Day: 10 December.

For those of you who teach the little ones (and the not so little ones), Christmas is also a very exciting time of the term. If you are looking for free Christmas craft and activity ideas, great resources can be found at: <https://bit.ly/3lpyYlc> There are also plenty of other free resources that can be found online with a simple Google search.

If you are looking to purchase some resources to see your year out, don't forget to check out our range of member benefits, including a five to 10 per cent discount at the Teacher Superstore or 10 per cent discount (off retail prices) at Jackson's Drawing Supplies. For more details, visit: sstuwa.org.au/benefits or tap on the benefits tab in the SSTUWA app.

While you are searching for great member benefits via the SSTUWA app, don't forget to scroll through the other important information.

In the app, you will find all the answers to your questions, training options and Know Your Rights sheets just to name a few. Why not update your details while you are there, letting us know if anything specific requires changing?

If you have some great ideas or want to share the wonderful work you are doing with your students, get in contact with the New Educator Network via Facebook.

Scan the QR code at the bottom of this article to join this great online community. You can also email the team at neweducator@sstuwa.org.au

If you have a "Teachergram" or "TeacherTok", please share your handle with us so others can follow and share the great work that is happening by new educators from across the state.

