

Welcome to Term 3, 2017.



# YEAR 3/4

## ENGLISH

This term we are learning about Poetry. We will be expanding our imagination and use of descriptive language by creating a variety of different poems.

We are continuing to develop our comprehension skills through reading and writing and literacy groups.

Dialogue, grammar, spelling and punctuation will also continue to be a focus when writing a variety of text types.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

During the unit 'Jesus' Stories' the students will be exploring why Jesus used parables to spread the word of God. We will be exploring lots of different parables and deciphering the meanings behind them. This will lead the students into their GRASP task of creating a modern day version of a parable.

## SPORTS DAYS:

Tuesday –  
Tennis Clinics  
Weeks 2-6) &  
Wednesday/  
Thursday –  
Dance

## SCIENCE

Our Science unit for this term is called 'Smooth Moves'. They will identify what a force and motion is and examine the different ways that objects move and investigate how different sized forces affect the movement of objects.

## MATHEMATICS

In our Numeracy Blocks we will be learning about fractions, whole numbers/place value, multiplication and division, breaking numbers up and putting them back together, area, perimeter and angles (Year 3), measuring to find volume and capacity and location.

## GEOGRAPHY

This term in Geography we are learning about the habitats that are located in different parts of the world. They will come to understand that a habitat is a specific kind of environment and the relationship that exists between the living things that reside there.

## HOMEWORK:

Homework is handed out on **Thursdays** and due in every **Wednesday**. It is an important opportunity for students to practise what they are learning at school, at home.

## HEALTH

We will look at what it means to belong and to be a part of a community. We will discuss strategies to make the classroom and playground healthy, safe and active spaces. We will also examine how our emotional responses vary in depth and strength.

The students will also be participating in Peer Support for 8 weeks on Monday afternoons.

## Year 3/4 IMPORTANT DATES

- Wk 2, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July – Walkathon Assembly at 2pm
- Wks 2-6, Tuesday, Tennis clinics
- Wks 2-5, Wednesday, Dances clinics
- Wk 4, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August, Library Book Fair 3-6pm
- Wk 5, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August, Feast of the Assumption Mass 9.30am.
- Wk 5, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August, Trivia Night 6pm for 6.30pm
- Wk 6, Book Week
- Wk 7, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, Fathers' Day Mass 9.30am
- Wk 7, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, Fathers' Day afternoon games 3-4.30pm
- Family Week???
- Wk 8, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 3/4W and 5/6B WSPT 12.50pm
- Wk 8, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September, School Discos 5-8pm
- Wk 9, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 3-6 concert, SFX, 6-9pm
- Wk 10, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September, St Michael's Day Mass 9.30am

As you can see we have a very busy and exciting term ahead! Please don't hesitate to come and see your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns at any time.

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