

EPHING VIEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 2026



KEY DATES

MEET AND GREET AND

TUESDAY 17TH OF FEB

LABOUR DAY

MONDAY 9TH OF MARCH

NAPLAN STARTS

WEDNESDAY 11TH OF MARCH

SCHOOL PHOTOS

MONDAY 30TH OF MARCH

FINAL DAY OF TERM 1

THURSDAY THE 2ND OF APRIL

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Welcome Back

Welcome to the first edition of the Grade 3 newsletter for 2026!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome each family back to EVPS. The students have settled in well to their new classrooms. We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead with lots of new learning and fun.

Our classrooms are in the Red Portables this year. Kaitlyn Willox/Jasmine Rolfe (3KI), Francesca Perri (3HA), Mindy Morante (3MM) and Nicole Van Roon/Jasmina Gogas (3NI).

We have included some important information about the term ahead. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's classroom teacher. We hope all families enjoy the start of the journey into Grade 3!

We are in full swing organising many fun and engaging lessons for your child's learning this term.

Information regarding NAPLAN will be available in the near future.

What's happening in Term 1

Year 3 Inquiry

This term for Inquiry we are focusing on a unit called The game of life. The students will be exploring emotions, ways to deal with emotions and ways to cope with change and challenges that they may face. They will develop their understanding of how to navigate conflict in a positive way and how to safely handle challenges that they may come across.



Specialist for Semester 1

During Semester One, the grade 3 students will participate in our amazing specialist programs. They will attend weekly sessions in the following subjects:

- Physical Education
- STEM
- Italian
- Performing Arts
- Visual Arts

Students also have access to the school library once a week to borrow a book of their choice.

English

Our Grade 3 students will participate in a broad range of activities in Literacy this term. In Reading and Viewing, the students will be focusing on using a range of strategies to understand new vocabulary and develop their comprehension skills by using their prior knowledge and context clues as evidence. In Writing, students will be planning, composing, editing and revising a narrative performances and persuasive reviews. In Speaking and Listening, students will develop their listening skills through various activities across the curriculum. They will develop their speaking skills through presenting different pieces of work in the classroom.

Mathematics

Our Grade 3 students will participate in a variety of Maths activities that will promote their problem solving skills. In Number and Algebra, students will extend their understanding of place value through representation of money values. They will also be recognising the connection between addition and subtraction and they will develop mental strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems. Towards the end of the term, students will explore statistics. They will collect and interpret data and gain an understand of the correct method to represent their data.

Phonics

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
3-10	Decoding words/ high frequency words	Your child can practise reading and decoding words while reading books. They can also practice reading high frequency words that we are learning in the classroom.

Literacy

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
3-6	Narrative Performance	Your child can read familiar narratives and think about what the author has done to engage the audience. They could also watch short plays online to get exposure to dialogue. Ask your child to write a play with characters, setting and a plot using the correct structure of a narrative performance.
7-10	Persuasive Review	Provide your child with the opportunity to read reviews online or in articles about books, movies, games, restaurants etc. Have conversations with your child about books, movies, restaurants or food and allow them the opportunity to write a brief review and rate it out of five stars. Think about what you liked/disliked and why?

Mathematics – Number and Algebra

Weeks	Topic	What you can do at home to assist your child's learning
3-6	Working with larger numbers / Place Value	Practise reading, expanding, ordering and renaming numbers up to 10 000. Identifying numbers that you see as odd or even with your child and getting them to practise explaining how they know. Work on making money values using different combinations of coins and notes.
7-9	Statistics	Get your child to practise collecting data and representing it. Discuss with your child the different types of graphs you might see in real life. Show your child graphs presented on the internet or in newspapers/magazines. Talk about what features you notice. For example, title, x and y axis, heading and labels.



Respectful Relationship

During Respectful Relationships, students will explore emotional literacy and they will understand the influence that people and events have on their emotions.

They will also recognise and describe personal strengths and challenges.

How to support your child's reading

Create a regular time and space for reading each night.

Encourage your child to read the text type that we are working on at school.

Ask your child questions about the text they are reading.

Clarify the meaning of new words, try to work it out and check in a dictionary.