

Year 3 Curriculum Update

Term 4



This update will be sent home to let you know what is happening in the 3 classes this term and to let you know how you can support your child at home.

Literacy

Throughout this term in PhOrMeS, students will be learning and reviewing a range of spelling rules including the l.l.l rule which helps us to know when to double letters after adding a suffix. They will also learn how to add suffixes to base words with silent final e, how the letter 'l' and 'w' can change the sounds that 'a' makes, as well as a range of homophones.

*For our novel study, we will be reading **'The One and Only Ivan'** by Katherine Applegate. Students will be learning to write a persuasive letter and applying the skills they have learned throughout their sentence level lessons. Those skills include:*

- Using because, but and so to add details to writing*
- Expanding sentences using subordinating conjunctions*
- Reading, writing, discussing and revising short texts*

Students will also complete a unit on Australian Poetry and have the opportunity to write, edit and publish their own poem. They will also continue to develop their skills in expanding and combining sentences.

Numeracy

Data Investigation

- Collecting and recording data (categorical and discrete numerical data)*
- Creating and interpreting pictographs and column graphs*

Location

- Identifying perspectives and representations on maps*
- Creating and interpreting map symbols and legends*

Probability

- *Identifying likelihood in chance events*
- *Conducting chance experiments and describing results*

Multiplication and Division

- *Different representations for multiplication and division*
- *Two-digit multiplication and division with and without regrouping*
- *Solving worded problems*

Mass and Capacity

- *Reading mass measurement scales*
- *Measuring and comparing mass using scaled instruments*
- *Reading capacity measurement scales*
- *Measuring and comparing capacity using scaled instruments*

Humanities

Modern Democracy

In this unit, students learn how rules, fairness, and shared decision-making help societies function. They explore the key features of democracy, compare different systems of government, and examine how people have worked to make Australian democracy more inclusive over time. Through historical case studies, class discussions, voting simulations and analysis of rights and responsibilities, students develop an understanding of how democratic values shape Australian society and how citizens can participate actively in their communities.

By the end of this unit, students will:

- *Differentiate between a rule and a law*
- *Describe key beliefs and features of democracy*
- *Identify people and events that helped shape Australian democracy*
- *Compare democracy to other forms of government*
- *Explain how and why Australians vote*
- *Define citizenship and outline rights and responsibilities*

- Describe ways citizens can actively participate in a community

Social & Emotional Learning

Respectful Relationships - Problem Solving

During Social and Emotional Learning lessons, students will explore and develop a range of problem solving strategies to support them in managing minor conflicts. This includes using games and role plays to problem solve in a range of situations.

Cyber Safety

During our Inform and Empower incursion, students will focus on the importance of setting and how they can keep us safe. We will also explore how to identify red flags and navigate unsafe online interactions.

Learning at Home

- Reading at home for 20 minutes each night
- Times table practice

Reminders and Dates for the Calendar

Kitchen Garden Dates for Term 4:

Week 6: 3E Kitchen, 3B Garden

Week 7: 3B Kitchen, 3E Garden

Week 9: 3B Kitchen (11:25-1:15pm) 3E Kitchen (1:50-3:30pm)

- **Monday 19th October** - CoTA Dress Rehearsal
- **Thursday 22nd October** - CoTA
- **Friday 30th October** - Ride2School Day
- **Monday 2nd November** - Student Free Day
- **Tuesday 3rd November** - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
- **Wednesday 4th November - Friday 6th November** - Phillip Island Adventure Resort Camp
- **Friday 4th December** - Italian Day

- ***Tuesday November 17th*** - *Transition Session #1*
- ***Tuesday November 24th*** - *Transition Session #2*
- ***Tuesday December 1st*** - *Transition Session #3*