

GRADE 3

Term 4 Newsletter

Welcome back to all our Year 3 families. Here are some exciting things about this term.

Key Dates

Thursday 29th October- Year 3 Adventure Day

Monday 2nd November- Professional Practice Day - student free day

Tuesday 3rd November- Melbourne Cup Day - Public Holiday

Friday 6th November- Italian Day

Tuesday 8th December- Statewide Transition Day

Friday 18th December- Term 4 ends - 1pm dismissal

Numeracy

Unit 1:

In this unit, students will develop their understanding of multiplication and division beyond simply memorising times tables. They will explore practical and visual strategies such as equal groups, arrays and area models, and learn how multiplication and division are connected. Students will use these strategies to solve problems, explain their thinking and check that their answers are reasonable.

Unit 2:

In this unit, students will explore 3D shapes and objects, learning to identify, describe and compare their features. They will also develop their understanding of position and direction by using spatial language and simple maps and grids to locate and describe objects and places.

Literacy

Unit 1:

In this unit, students will explore The Sugarcane Kids and the Red-Bottomed Boat, a mystery story that encourages them to think about characters, clues, setting and mood. They will use evidence from the story to make predictions and understand characters' thoughts and feelings. Students will then use what they have learned to plan, write and edit their own news article based on events from the story.

Unit 2:

In this unit, students will learn about ocean pollution and how it affects marine life through The Mess That We Made. They will explore what causes pollution, its effects on our oceans, and ways we can help protect the environment. Students will then use their learning to write a persuasive piece encouraging others to make positive changes.

Inquiry

Students will develop skills in thinking and acting like a scientist to make discoveries. They will test predictions in relation to scientific concepts and identify the elements of a fair test. Students will learn about thermal conductivity, changes in states of matter, and different types of forces. They will work collaboratively with others to design a science challenge for the class to participate in at the Science Challenge Show.

Specialists

- Italian
- STEM
- Library
- Digital Learning
- PE