# Year 3 – Term 3 Newsletter



## A Note from the Teachers

Dear Parents,
Dear Parents, Welcome back to Term 3! We look forward to once again working with you!

#### **Important Dates:**

Sun 25th July St James Feast Day
Sun 8th August St Mary of the Cross Feast Day
Sun 15th August Feast of the Assumption
Mon 23rd August Full Dress Rehearsal
Tues 31st August School Concert
Wed 1st September School Concert
Thurs 2nd September School Closure Day
Sunday 5th September Father's Day
Tues 14th September P/S/T Conferences
Wed 15th September P/S/T Conferences
Fri 17th September Last Day of Term 3

### **RELIGION:**

This term students will explore the New Testament and the roles of some of the major characters. They will explore how to locate specific passages in the Bible by chapter and verse. They will read key parables and interpret the messages and relate them to their own lives. Students will learn about the three different kinds of prayers; petition, thanksgiving and contrition. Students will then look at the role of prayer in people's lives and in liturgical celebrations.

## **LITERACY:**

## <u>Reading</u>

This term in reading we will continue to work on our decoding and comprehension skills. We will focus on both fiction and non-fiction texts. We will have a focus on the following skills:

- Inferencing
- Identifying the Main Idea of a text
- Determing important information in texts
- Homophones
- Prefixes and Suffixes



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#### Writing:

The students will begin the term with a focus on the explanation text type. They will write an explanation about the water cycle, about a scientific process that we explore through our inquiry topic, and finally they will be able to choose a topic of their choice to write about. Then students will then explore the genre of reviews; both movie and book reviews. They will develop the skill of persuading an audience about their personal preferences. They will identify the purpose, structure and features of these texts.

#### **MATHS:**

In Number and Algebra, students will learn work on money and financial mathematics. They will be given opportunities to calculate money values and change for financial transactions. Students will also complete a unit of work on fractions and decimals.

In our Measurement unit the students will be introduced to area. They will work out the area of squares and rectangles using the mathematical formula, length x width. Students will also work on time and reading time on both an analog and digital clock.

In Statistics and Probability, the students will work on data collection and analysis.

### **INQUIRY:**

Our unit of work this term is, 'How does science change our lives?'. This unit will have a focus oniphysical and chemical science unit. Students will explore how solids, liquids and gases are affected by temperature. They will participate in a variety of experiments and use science skills e.g. predicting, observing and analysing. Students will be given the opportunity to conduct the

own experiments a

Rethings Start happeving.

Don't worry. Don't stew.

Just go Right along and
You'll start happeving too

-Dr. Seuss

Get on your way. D. Seuss

You have brains in your head

You have feet in your shoes
YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF
in ANY direction you choose

Thank You!!!!! Siumi, Kayleigh and Anne