



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 3 everyone, we cannot believe how quickly the year is flying by.

Reports & Parent Teacher Meetings

We look forward to meeting you in Week 6 (Wednesday 27 August) to discuss your child's progress. We find these meetings about your child invaluable and it helps us support them going forward.

Religious Education

The R.E topic for Term 3 is Confirmation. This unit will involve learning about the Sacrament of Confirmation as well as each child completing a project about a Saint.



English

In English, Year 5 and 6 will explore different comprehension strategies. To further develop reading strategies, students will commence a novel study centering around the book "Tom Appleby: Convict Boy" by Jackie French. Students will have opportunities to discuss the book's theme, characters and storyline in whole and small group settings. This rich text exploration provides opportunities for students to discuss their different interpretations and to expand their understanding of the text. Incorporated into this book study is a writing component, students will be focusing on building their Information Report writing and language skills.

Spelling

Students will continue to engage in Spelling Mastery this term, a fully scripted Direct Instruction program that has an extensive research base and is teacher directed.

Mathematics

Problem Solving

Year 5 and 6 students will continue to prepare and participate in the APSMO Maths Olympiad and Maths Games competitions. This will give students the opportunity to learn valuable problem solving skills and challenge themselves against students from other schools. Throughout the term, students will be given opportunities to practise their problem solving skills in preparation for APSMO.

Number

- Fractions (Addition and Subtraction)
- Decimals

Measurement

- Area and Perimeter

Space

- 3D Objects

Probability

- Describing probabilities
- Conducting chance experiments

Inquiry

This term students will be engaging in a unit called, 'Marketing Manoeuvres.' In this unit, students will describe the difference between needs and wants, explore the concept of opportunity cost and explain how it involves choices about alternative uses of limited resources and the need to consider trade-offs, and identify types of resources (natural, human, capital) and explore the ways societies use them in order to satisfy the needs and wants of present and future generations.

Wellbeing

The Student Transition and Resilience Training (START) resource has been designed to enhance the ability of schools to support students transition from primary to secondary school. This resource will help to equip students with the skills to make a positive start in secondary school, and build a foundation for their secondary education.

The START resource is designed to work together to form a set of activities that will contribute to the development of students' personal and social capabilities, and critical and creative thinking. The activities are intended to support students' reflection and personal development throughout their transition to secondary school. The Victorian Department of Education and Training has funded the START project.

Homework

Students' homework will continue to be posted weekly on Google Classroom on a Monday to be submitted on Friday.

Additionally, students will create a manual checklist of tasks due in their diaries to keep track of completed tasks.

Reading aloud is still an important aspect of reading at this age. We also encourage students to learn their multiplication tables.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if your child has issues with homework.

Dates for Your Diary

July

- 21st - Term 3 commences
- 25th - Grandparents and Special Persons' Day
- 25th - Semester 2 Leaders badge presentation 2:30pm
- 28th - First Aid Program
- 28th - Andrew Fuller - Building Resilience Family Night
- 30th - APSMO Contest 3

August

- 4th - Registration for Confirmation Opens
- 11th - 15th - Science Week
- 11th - Marketing Manoeuvres Incursion

18th-22nd - Book Week
18th - Character Dress Up Day
19th - Boorondara Youth Leadership Day
22nd - Author visit (Charmaine Ledden-Lewis)
29th - Registration for Confirmation Closes

September

3rd - Father's Day Stall
5th - Father's Day Classroom Visit, Morning Tea and Paraliturg
12th - Confirmation Reflection Day
18th - Sacrament of Confirmation
19th - Prep and Senior Buddy Paraliturg
19th - End of Term 3 Footy Colours Day (12:45pm finish)

If you have any need to contact us throughout the term we would love to hear from you via the usual methods, a note in the diary, a phone call to the office or an email to admin@shkew.catholic.edu.au that Caroline Reid will forward and we will respond as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to a wonderful term of learning and fun,

Alyssa and Charlotte