

Year 3/4 News

We trust you had a fabulous holiday break!
We have a busy term ahead, culminating in our school concert at the end of this term.

Please make sure that you have connected with your child's Seesaw journal as important information in between our newsletters will be sent home via this app.

Here is a snapshot of our classroom:

Our learning this term

Unit of Inquiry: "Changes are occurring in water environments"

Christian Studies:

Christian Living: "Christians have a responsibility in and for the world"

Literacy:

Daily Literacy block incorporating guided reading and writing (information texts, and the writing process including editing), spelling, phonics, grammar and handwriting. There is also a focus on reading comprehension strategies.

Maths:

Daily Maths Rotations for practise of number skills; Multiplication and Measurement (Mrs C)
Place Value, Money and Data (Mrs V).

Technologies:

Using devices and word processing skills.

Our Year 3 students will be participating in NAPLAN testing this week. The tests will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday beginning at 9am.

Please avoid booking appointments during these time.

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Our Week at a glance:

Monday: Browse and Borrow
Tuesday: Choir
Wednesday: **SPORTS UNIFORM**
German with Frau Hepner
Health with Mrs Skinner
Friday: **SPORTS UNIFORM**
PE with Mrs Cluse

Weekly Homework

- 10 minutes reading (1/NIGHT)
- 4 Spelling activities (1/NIGHT)
- 1 Maths activity (1/WEEK)

HOMEWORK BOOKS TO BE HANDED UP ON FRIDAYS

Reading is to be recorded in diaries each night. (This can be done by student)

Diaries will be initialled by the teacher each day and are to be initialled by parents each night.

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Explicit Phonics Instruction

At the beginning of this Term, we have begun a daily focus on phonics. This is building from the "Jolly Phonics" program that has been a focus for our school in the past year. This will mean a change to the spelling program we had previously been using but as we will be explicitly teaching and reviewing the 42 letter sounds daily, this will be beneficial to all of the children. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Unit of Inquiry - Unit Three

Transdisciplinary Theme - Sharing the Planet

Central Idea - Changes are occurring in water environments.

Lines of Inquiry -

- Living and non-living things in water environments and their interdependence
- Threats to the sustainability of water environments
- Human responsibility towards protecting the health of water environments.

Concepts - Connection, Change, Responsibility

Learner Profile - Inquirer and Reflective

Attitudes - Enthusiasm and Appreciation

Approaches to Learning - Research Skills

Something to try at home!

Studyladder is an online tool that we have been using in the classroom to support our learning in Literacy and Maths this term.

There are set tasks that we use during our Maths and Literacy blocks but there are also a wide range of other activities that the children can do at home if they wish.

Each child has an individual log-in, which can be recorded in their diaries at your request.

Studyladder

www.studyladder.com.au



Fitness

A reminder students are to wear their Sports Uniforms on **Wednesdays and Fridays.**

Middle Primary Assembly - Friday Week 3

We are looking forward to leading the whole school in worship as well as sharing with you our learning. This will include a Power Point Presentation reflecting on our camp at the end of last term.

We hope you can join us. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ASSEMBLIES BEGIN AT 9:15AM**

Please don't hesitate in getting in contact.

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Yours in Christ

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