

3/4 NEWSLETTER

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INQUIRY



This term the Grade 3/4s will be focusing on Design and Technology.

Key Inquiry Questions include:

- What are the steps in the design process?
- How do the properties of materials impact their use?
- How do forces and the properties of materials affect the design solution?

Students will be participating in a variety of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) based activities as well as designing their own products using recyclable materials.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday 31st October - Curriculum Day - NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday 1st November - Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL
- 16th - 18th November - Grade 3/4 Camp - Lady Northcote Recreational Reserve
- 14th - 25th November - P to 4 Swimming Lessons - Paddles Swim School
- Wednesday 7th December - School Concert
- Thursday 15th December - Semester 2 Student Reports available on Compass
- Tuesday 20th December - Last Day of Term 4



LITERACY

In Reading, students will be examining fiction texts and learning how to summarise, infer character's feelings, identify language features and the author's message. Students will express their opinions and answer questions based on, 'Why do you think that?'

In Writing, students will be learning how to use connectives, figurative language and dialogue effectively in narratives. Students will be writing a variety of different poems. The SMART Spelling and handwriting programs will continue.

NUMERACY

In Numeracy we will be exploring the following mathematical concepts:

- identifying and comparing angles
- conducting chance experiments
- understanding fractions
- symmetry, slides and turns of shapes
- reading and creating maps
- measuring, ordering and comparing mass, volume and capacity of objects.





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ART



This term in Grade 3/4, students will be exploring textiles, drawing and paper construction. The Grade 3/4s will have many opportunities to weave and thread wool to create decorative ornaments and wearable objects. Students will also explore bending, folding and twisting paper to create 3D artworks.

MUSIC



This term in Music the focus in Grade 3/4 will be on learning about the concepts of Beat, Rhythm and Tempo.

A focus this term will be on providing opportunities for students to be introduced to playing the guitar, ukulele, keyboard and the drum kit (basic rock beat). Additional weekly Recorder (Monday) and Ukulele (Tuesday) classes will continue to be held for those students learning instrumental music.

Those students who are part of the Just Brass band program will continue to have weekly instrumental lessons with Joanne from the Salvation Army and regular band practice. We will be looking for interested students who want to join next year as our Grade 6 students leave the school.

PE



This term the Grade 3/4s will be focusing on sports skills acquisition, team work and sportsmanship. They will engage in mini games such as hockey, t-ball and mini-tennis.

3/4 REMINDERS

HATS:

Students are reminded they need to wear a school wide brim / bucket hat this term when outside.

HOMEWORK:

Homework is due every Friday. Students are expected to complete their weekly reading, SMART Spelling words and practise their times tables.

TISSUES & WIPES:

Our classroom supply of tissues and wipes are running low. We would really appreciate your support in this area.

PUNCTUALITY:

Please ensure your child is on time each day as they miss out on key learning instructions.

