# YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

# WEEK 6, TERM 4

# FROM THE CLASSROOM

It is hard to believe that this is our last newsletter for the year!

First of all we want to commend the Year 3 students for their amazing resiliency and adaptability this term as they transitioned into a straight cohort. They have been very busy this term and have developed skills that will help them next year as Year 4 students.

As our end of year concert nears, we will send home notes about costumes etc. We know that the students are very excited to share their performances. Please make sure you have Tue 3rd Dec locked into your diaries!

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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

Fri 15th Nov: Athletics Carnival

Wed 20th Nov: School Advisory Council ACM

Wed 27th Nov: Yr 6 Graduation Mass

Tue 3rd Dec: Christmas Concert & Awards Night

Fri 6th Dec: Last Day of Term

## **ENGLISH**

#### **Writing**

Students are currently in the midst of editing and typing up their amazing narrative stories, showcasing their fantastic imaginations. Once completed, we'll wrap up the term by exploring different types of poetry, expanding their creative writing skills even further!

#### Reading

This term we are reading a novel called 'The One and Only Ivan'. The students look forward to our reading sessions and it is always so enjoyable to watch students reactions and expressions as events unfold. We are definitely into the climatic part of the story and some days we just don't want to put the book down! Once we have finished our novel we will watch the movie version of the story and spend some time analysing similiarties and differences. A note will accompany this newsletter for your permission to watch this movie as it is rated PG. Thanks





#### RELIGION

For the rest of the term, we will be continuing to learn about the theme of reconciliation. We will continue to learn more about how reconciliation is a celebration of God's love and forgiveness, and the joy of returning to a happy relationship with God. We will be learning the importance of treating others how we would like to be treated, with love and kindness. We will also be discussing when we might need to forgive when it is difficult, for example when we are annary or upset.

#### **HASS**

In History, we will be continuing to learn about how different artefacts teach us about the past. Our focus will be researching the history of the places of interest in town and learning about their stories. In Geography, we will be continuing to learn about the activities (e.g. retailing, recreational, farming, manufacturing, medical, policing, educational, religious) that take place in the local community which create its distinctive features and the influence of purpose (e.g. shopping, recreation), distance (e.g. location) and accessibility (e.g. technology, transport) on the frequency with which people visit places.

## **SPORT**

With the Athletics Carnival on Friday, we have been very busy preparing for the team games, flag races and sprints. The students have done a fantastic job in all of our lessons working as a team to improve their skills. Long jump and vortex throws have been measured ready for the carnival. We have worked on a fast run up and a two-feet landing for long jump. The students did a brilliant job with Mr Keith Old from Hockey WA, after 4 sessions with Keith the improvement in skills has been amazing! We will spend the last few weeks of term playing some of our favourite games and revising the skills covered during year. As the weather heats up we will work on some striking skills, to be used in games of teeball and rounders. What a wonderful year of sport we have

had!

#### **MATHS**

#### Number and Algebra

In the second half of this term, we're shifting our focus from fractions to money. Students will explore Australian currency, understand equivalent values, practice tendering cash, and learn to give change. These skills will help prepare them for real-world situations and set them up for success in the future.

#### Measurement and Geometry

Now that we have learnt all about angles and 3D shape properties we will turn our attention to chance and data. We will learn about the language used to describe probability and complete investigations on chance activities. We will also look at ways that data is represented in tables and graphs.

We hope to end the year with a fun shopping investigation where students will get a budget to spend on some Christmas shopping. They will then have to graph their purchases and show their reasoning.

#### **HEALTH**

For the remainder of this term in Health, we will be learning about communicating and interacting for health and wellbeing. We will learn some strategies to use when needing to seek, give or deny permission such as using assertion and non-verbal body language.

# **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGIES**

This term in Technology, we will be looking into how we can change different materials by physically bending, or heating. We will then design our own packaging to house a chocolate bar, and also later in the term, a healthy school lunch.

In Science we will be learning how different materials can be combined for a particular purpose. We will then apply this knowledge when we design and make our own packaging.