



## Year 3

# Newsletter Term 3, 2017

### Welcome back to another wonderful term of learning.

We welcome Sanan to our class. He has come from Miss Lee's IELC class.

In week 4 we will have Korean Exchange Teachers visiting the school from Monday – Thursday. We are lucky enough to have one of them in our classroom for the week. The teachers will be observing how we teach our students, particularly in English, and they will be sharing their culture with the children.

The **homework** schedule is printed as an overview for the term in your child's Take Home Book. The most important thing to do each day is to listen to your child read. A homework task will be sent home Thursday and marked on the following Wednesday. The Maths On Line homework can be done at anytime during the week as I post it for a full week (and it's still available to complete after the due date). Your child can also do the Reflex Maths programme as many times a week as they wish.

This term in **Science**, the children will be learning about the push and pull forces of gravity, air and water. Later in the term they will be learning about heat, how it is produced and its effect on us and things around us.

**Literacy** - In the lead up to Book Week we will start the term studying two Australian authors, Jeannie Baker, who creates intricate collages for her book illustrations, and Kim Michelle Toft who paints on silk and uses these for her book illustrations. The children will learn to write book reviews. In week 3 we will be going on an excursion to see the Jeannie Baker Exhibition at the Botanic Gardens. In week 4, as part of the Book Week celebrations, the children will also meet author Jane Goodwin. Following this, later in the term the children will be studying and writing poetry, learning how poetry is constructed and the grammar associated with different forms.

In **Maths** this term, the children will be working on a three week unit about money, with Cowandilla Primary School (because of this, last term the children learnt about time instead of money). They will also cover angles, 3D shapes, continue to develop their understanding of numbers to 10,000, revisit addition and subtraction and begin multiplication and division. The Maths Monster will come home again this term for the children to have fun with and learn more about numeracy.

### Diary Dates:

Week 3 – Excursion to Jeannie Baker Exhibition

Week 4 – author Jane Goodwin visits

Week 4 – Korean Exchange teachers visiting our class

Week 5 – Book Week Assembly on Friday at 2pm

Week 6 – Friday Royal Show School Closure

Week 7 – Monday – Pupil Free Day



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Mrs Blake will be in our class once a week teaching the children about coding in **Digital Technologies**.

In **PE** (Mr Nguyen) this Term the Year 3 students will be developing movement skills, dribbling, passing, catching skills and game play through the sport of basketball and netball.

In **Visual Art** (Ms Glasper) we will be exploring collage techniques to create our artwork, which will be displayed in the classroom throughout the term.

In **Design Technology** (Ms Glasper) last term the children designed and started to build their own 'flying machines'. They will continue on with this project this term.

In **HASS** this term we will be looking and comparing the differences/similarities between Australia and another country.

In **Performing Arts** (Miss Poppy) students will explore music through a program called Music: Count Us In. The learning experiences in the program will develop children's aural, technical and expressive skills. Use your preferred search engine online to type in 'Shine Together' for Music Count Us In 2017 – A Sing-Along Video (Official) to find the song online. Encourage your child to rehearse at home and perhaps you might find yourself singing along too...

Kind Regards,

Penny Sarah and Gail Glasper