

2017 - TERM 3 – Curriculum Overview – Ms Jodi Year 5

In **English** this term our genre focus is Historical Recount. This will be integrated with our History unit of work on the Gold Rush from the 1800's.

In **Spelling** will be using the Words Their Way program using levelled groups with support from Carol our Literacy Coordinator for grammar lessons. We are also learning about the etymology of words...where did this word come from? Reading tasks will include regular guided reading activities including LLI and the LITERACY PRO reading program.

In **Mathematics** this term we will focus on Shape and Measurement. We are participating in a joint project with Cowandilla Primary School to measure and paint the cubby houses. We will also be designing our own cubbies with Ms Anthony!

As part of the new Australian Curriculum **Civics and Citizenship** is now being taught across all Australian schools. Our focus will be on identifying the different levels of government that exist in Australia and the key values of our democratic system.

Economics and Business starts this term with Mr C teaching the class a unit of work on how economics is connected to our community and society, focussing on budgeting, money and needs vs wants relevant to their world.

Our **Science** topic this Term will focus on Biological Sciences and how Living things have structural features and adaptations that help them to survive in their environment. This is in line with our camp to Monarto Zoo in Week 8.

ART: Students will be looking at drawing techniques, colour and printmaking.

PE: This term the Year 5 students will be developing spatial awareness, basic understanding of rules and correct techniques in the game of Touch Rugby.

Health: In Term 3 and 4, Mr Hart will be delivering a Relationships and Sexual Health unit of work. (See separate handout)

Music: This term 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.... Miss Poppy.

STEM: We are continuing our Buddy Class STEM project with Ms Alanna and Ms Julia, creating a mosaic mural for the school wall.

Digital Technologies: The class will be using Maths online and Reflex Maths, educational websites to reinforce their learning. We will begin using coding skills in gaming like Scratch and exploring computational language.

Special welcome to our pre-service teacher Miss Jane Anthony who is a third year Education student from Flinders University who will now be in the class full time for the next 4 weeks. Get ready for a busy Term 3!

TERM 2 HIGHLIGHTS!!

WOW! What a busy term we had.

- Excursion in Week 4 to the Dream Big opening ceremony was full of excitement!
- Science Homework experiments have been very informative and creative!
- Ms Bec's Bushfire iMovies were interesting and fun to make.
- Girls Crows Clinic, meeting captain Chelsea Randall and player Anne Hatchard was awesome!
- World Environment Day excursion and Jeannie Baker exhibition.
- Fundraising Cake Day and Crazy Hair Day for our school camp.
- STEM Rubber band car challenge is about to end.
- Very creative and imaginative Poetry anthologies with Mr C.
- New 1:1 Laptops for Year 4-7.

Diaries

Please ensure your child has their diary and homework folder with them EVERYDAY. This will be the main method of daily communication. They should also be signed every weekend to show you have sighted homework tasks and notes. They also have a clear plastic take home folder to keep their homework, notes, certificates, any feedback clean and safe.

Homework -Starts

End Week 1

Students at Richmond Primary School are expected to complete homework in accordance with the school's homework policy. They will receive homework to be completed each week. I understand that sometimes personal commitments do interfere with homework, so students can complete this anytime during the week. I recommend that students also practice their computer skills at home using Reflex Maths, Maths Online and Literacy Pro reading with quizzes.

Ms Jodi.

**Our LIBRARY
borrowing/returning
day is Wednesday.**

