

Term 3 Newsletter Team 2

Welcome back to Term 3. This term we are building up to the production at the end of the term and also organising Year 6 Camp and Year 5 Water Week. Keep an eye out for newsletters and notices this term as they will be important. At the end of this newsletter there is a calendar of important dates for you to keep and be aware of.

Details of the curriculum for this term are as follows:

Reading:

This term we will continue to develop student skills which look at the author's intent and the deeper understanding in a text. This includes being able to make an evaluative judgement about what they have read. We will continue with independent activities as well as teacher guided sessions.

Writing:

We will begin the term writing speeches as part of homework for the first three weeks. During class time we will be trying impromptu speeches where the focus will be on the delivery. Once speeches have finished we will develop the skill of writing arguments and debating in class. This will cover listening and speaking skills.

Spelling/Wordstudy:

Spelling word lists will be sent home weekly and will be tested each Friday in class. Vowel sounds and sentence structure will be covered in class and also in homework each week.

Mathematics:

Our strand topic is measurement focussing on perimeter and area. The Numeracy topic is Proportions/Ratios. This term we will be writing a numeracy report which is due out in the last week of Term.

Integrated Topic:

Our topic is "Striving" as part of Social Studies. The Key Competency is "Managing Self" and the Value is "Reliability". Each class will focus on the Commonwealth Games in varying degrees and aspects. We will look at how athletes aspire to fulfil their potential or how coaches relate to athletes. Some may also look at how the body responds to training.

PE/Fitness/Sports:

Cross Country is this term and we will be running regularly to build up endurance. Our PE and Sport will focus around ball skills involving finding space and defending a player in a variety of small ball and large ball games.

Art:

Each class will be completing a variety of art pieces designed to be sold at or displayed at the school gala during Term 4. They will involve skills using a variety of media and materials.

Dance/Drama/Music:

This term as it is the school production, we will be incorporating a selection of dance and drama conventions to enhance knowledge and offer experience to students about the arts. We will continue with weekly singing at team assemblies and use our classroom instruments as part of dance and drama.

Maori:

To integrate with speeches we will be attempting a Mihi with each student. We will also participate in Maori poi and stick & string games.

ICT:

This continues with lessons from Ms Corsan over the term.

Please continue to see the class teacher if you have any concerns, earlier rather than later. Our first camp newsletter will be due out by week 2. Water Week notices will follow later.

Regards

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School Wide Events:

Week 1 22nd July Rippa Rugby

Week 3 2nd August UNSW English
5th August Team 1 & 2 X-Country

Week 4 10th August Photolife
12th August X- Country interzones

Week 5 16th August UNSW Maths
20 August Team 2 Speech Competition (Friday 1.40pm)

Week 7 2nd September Rippa Rugby

Week 8 Cake Stall

Week 9 15th September Year 5/6 Speech Competition

Week 10 Production