

Room 3 Class Newsletter Term 3 2022



Hooray for Term 3!

We have another exciting action packed term of learning planned with our school-wide focus on



Here is an outline of what has been planned this term:



Maths:

We will learn about:

- Place value of numbers: 100's, 10's and 1's. Knowing what value they have in each place of a number eg: $462 = 4$ hundreds, 6 tens and 2 ones
- Geometry -left and right turns, 3 dimensional shapes and creating simple maps to show position and direction
- The maintenance of addition and subtraction continues as does the learning of the basic facts via the Bricks

Physical Education: We will be training for cross country (weather permitting!) which is in Week 4 as we are developing our fitness and learning to pace ourselves. Please make sure your child has suitable shoes to run in. After cross country, we will continue working on our gross physical skills and group skills along with the ball skills.



Unit Study

This term's school wide unit of learning is **Creativity**. We will be looking at using our imagination, risk-taking, connection and flexibility to create new and meaningful ideas through dance, drama, music and visual art and technology.



We will also begin creating our pieces of art for Calf Club. For those of you who have chosen to raise chickens, we hope your chickens have done well over the holidays. The rest of you will either already have your Calf Club animal (calf, lamb or goat) or will be getting ready for its arrival. For those that are not raising an animal, details around the plant and project will be coming out shortly.

Literacy: Reading & Writing

We have seen lots of really pleasing progress in our class over the last last term .

Our reading focus this term continues to be around fluency which is gained when students no longer need to sound the word out. Repetition is really important in order to develop this and that is why we encourage you to go over the speedwords and Home sheets multiple times until your child no longer needs to sound each word out.

We also are working more on comprehension of the stories as that is what reading is all about. When doing home learning, please talk with your child about the book - ask questions and discuss what has happened to develop their understanding. There are often good questions in the back of the books.

Please keep reading happening frequently in your home. This can be **to**, **by** and **with** your child. Model good reading habits by letting your child see you reading for your own personal enjoyment - especially Dads! Remember to record any reading completed at home in your child's journal and include any comments about the reading as these are really useful for us.

Our writing now moves to more child led writing (and less dictation) where the students create and record their own thoughts. We are also seeing pleasing progress in this area as their knowledge of spelling patterns grows.

Keep **bookbags** coming **every day** and our library day for changing books this term is **WEDNESDAY**.



HOME LEARNING

We cannot overemphasise how important it is for you to spend a short period of time each school day listening to your child read and helping them learn their spelling words and/or basic facts. This should only take 20 minutes a day.

Note: Children will need a **change of clothes** to wear if they want to play on the field during breaks, and closed in shoes for when the bike track is usable.

We are looking forward to a great term. If you need to contact us for anything, email is often the best option.

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