

# THE 3/4 NEWS



## DEAR PARENTS

Another great start to the term was had in the Year 3/4 classroom. We've been very busy with our Assembly and The Feast of the Assumption Mass. The students all did such a wonderful job at both of these events and worked hard for both of them. The busyness is not over just yet though, we still have a jam packed end to the term. As usual, I am happy to help with any concerns or questions, so feel free to contact me.

### ENGLISH

For the rest of the term in English we are completing the following:

**Writing** - We have just about finished up with our procedure writing. Students have done some wonderful work with their imaginative procedures. We will now be moving onto learning all the different parts of information texts and how to write them.

**Reading** - We will continue developing our reading strategies through daily reading rotations.

### GEOGRAPHY

We are now looking closely at the different countries that make up the continents of Europe and Africa. We will learn about their different landmarks and research their climate and landforms.

## Important Dates

**Thurs Aug 27th** - School Photos

**Fri Aug 28th** - Winter Sports Carnival

**Thurs 3rd Sept** - Options Showcase

**Fri 4th Sept** - Fathers Day Liturgy and Drive-thru

**10th-11th Sept** - Yr 4/5 Bridgetown Camp

**Wed 16th Sept** - K/PP Assembly

**Mon 21st - Fri 25th Sept** - Swimming Lessons

**Fri 25th Sept** - Yr 5/6 Assembly - Assessment Books go home

## ART

The students have now completed their emotions art, showing the different ways emotions can be represented. These look wonderful, as you can see from some of the photos on this newsletter. We will now start to look at using some different materials to create texture in our art.

## HEALTH

In Health, we are continuing our great work on discovering what empathy is and how we can show it.

## YEAR 4 MATHEMATICS

In Mathematics for the rest of the term we will be covering the following:

- Estimation Strategies
- Converting units of time
- Kilometres
- Perimeter
- Investigating Patterns
- Number Patterns

### Homework

Students are to continue working on their take home Maths booklet. If they are having any problems with it, I am happy to help.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In Religious Education for the rest of the term, we will be finishing off with our Confirmation Unit of Work and beginning a new Unit of Work, learning about Reconciliation. This is in preparation for the Year 3's that will be receiving this Sacrament at the beginning of next term.

## YEAR 3 MATHEMATICS

- Turnaround and grouping rules
- The distributive law
- Models and symbols for fractions
- Fractions on a number line
- Fraction as division
- Area
- Litres and millilitres

### Helping your child with Mathematics

#### Estimating

Estimating is an important activity and applies to all aspects of Mathematics. Whenever possible, ask your child/children to guess quantities. Some examples of estimating tasks that you might ask are:

- Estimate how far it is to a particular point in distance whilst driving.
- Estimate how many pieces of bread are in a loaf.
- Estimate how long it will be until you walk to a particular point.

### Homework

If your child is having any difficulty with their homework, I am only too happy to help them.

Greg Kelly

