

TERM 1, WEEKS 6-9

YEAR 2/3 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have had a great first half of the term and can't wait to see what's next! This newsletter will provide you with all the important information that you need for the last 4 weeks of Term 1.

LITERACY

In Writing, we have been exploring the genre of narratives. We have been investigating how different authors create interesting and engaging stories. We have learnt that we need to hook our readers with an engaging lead and must spend time describing the setting of our stories. We have been trying hard to include both of these things in our daily writing and can't wait for you to be able to read some of our narratives.

In Reading, we have had a big focus on answering comprehension questions with evidence from the text. We are now beginning to explore inferential questions, where we need to use clues from the text to find the answer.

LIBRARY

A reminder that library is every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child's books are kept safe in a library bag.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 10th - Whole School Mass led by Year 4/5 @ 10am & Stations of the Cross led by Year 6 @ 7:00pm

March 15th - Harmony Week

March 18th - Rice Day

March 19th - St. Joseph's Day Liturgy

March 25th -

Parent/Teacher Interviews

March 31st - Easter Assembly & Last day for Students



INQUIRY/HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

This term our Inquiry focuses around the question 'What is culture and how do we celebrate it?' Students have been investigating a culture from one of Australia's neighbouring countries. They have begun researching facts about their chosen culture and will endeavour to present their findings in a fun and engaging way. We can't wait to see how they turn out!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our Religious Education unit will focus around Lent & Easter. We have learnt how Lent is a time for new beginnings. We will begin exploring Holy Week and the special events that take place in it. We will also investigate how Jesus teaches us to serve others through His actions and words.

MATHEMATICS

This term the Year 2 students will be learning the following:

- Reading Calendars - Use a calendar to identify the date and determine the number of days in each month. Name and order months and seasons.
- Addition & Subtraction - Solve simple addition and subtraction problems using a range of efficient mental and written strategies.

This term the Year 3 students will be learning the following:

- Reading Calendars - Use a calendar to identify the date and determine the number of days in each month. Name and order months and seasons.
- Addition & Subtraction - Recall addition facts for single-digit numbers and related subtraction facts to develop increasingly efficient mental strategies for computation.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGIES

This term our Design & Technologies lessons have been exploring how items move. In small groups, students have designed a toy that moves in a certain way. We will begin constructing our toys this week and we are very excited to get started! At the end of the unit, students will participate in a showcase, where they present creations to the rest of the class.

HOMEWORK

Each week students will bring home a home reader book and a reading log. Reading will help your child develop in all areas of the curriculum and your support at home can have the greatest impact on your child's overall achievement. Please listen to your child read every night and talk with your child about the book they read to help develop their comprehension skills.

HEALTH

In Health this Term, the students are learning that they have a right to be safe. They will explore what it is like to feel safe and what it is like to feel unsafe.