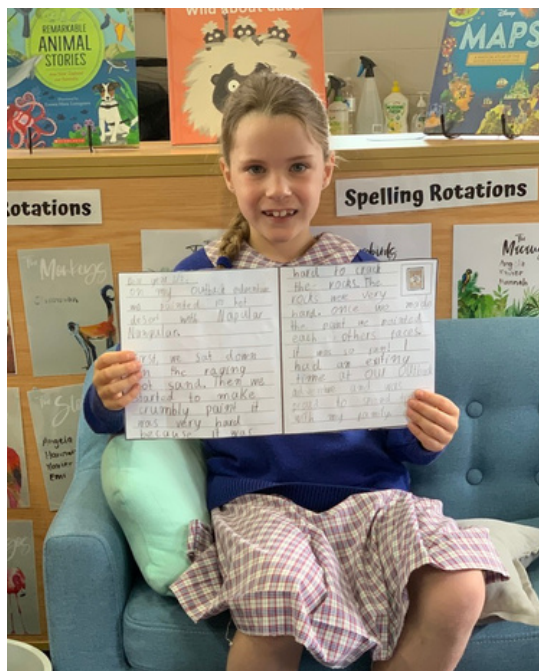


Term 4, Week 6-9

Year 2/3 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I can't believe another school year is coming to an end! We have had such a wonderful start to Term 4. This newsletter will provide you with all the important information that you need for the last four weeks of Term 4.



Literacy

This term, we have been focusing on the structure and language features of person recounts. We have been using books written by Australian authors to inspire our recounts. With each recount we write, we reflect on the choice of language features used to identify a new writing goal. This is to help us become independent writers and improve our work making it engaging to read. In the coming weeks, we will learn how to use Microsoft Word to publish our pieces. This will be great practice in formatting and typing. You can be blown away by our recounts on Seesaw!

In Reading, we have had a big focus on vocabulary. Often when we are reading we come across words that we have never seen before. We are practising how to discover the meaning of these words using the context of the sentence.

Religious Education

Our Religious Education unit focuses on the season of Advent. We will explore the hope people can feel, especially during Advent. Hope helps people to look to a better future and to overcome challenges. Using the example of John the Baptist, we will explain how people lived in hope and prepared for the birth of Jesus. We will also investigate the meaning behind the Advent Wreath.

Upcoming Events

November 12th – Kindy Transition Day @ 8:45

November 19th – Athletics Carnival @ PDHS

November 22nd – Junior Crew Boating Incursion @ 1:30

November 24th – Kindy Transition Day @ 8:45

November 26th – Music Assembly

November 29th – Advent Liturgy led by K/P/1 & Parent Thank You Morning Tea

December 1st – Kindy Transition Day @ 8:45 & Kearnan Orientation Day (Year 6)

December 2nd – Year 6 Graduation Mass & Dinner

December 8th – Christmas Concert & Awards Night

December 10th – Last Day of Term for Students



Inquiry & HASS

This term we have been exploring 'How Australians are connected to the land?' First, we investigated what the land of Australia is. We researched the States and Territories of Australia and then the 404 Aboriginal Language Groups prior to colonisation. We are now exploring how the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People used the land over 300 years ago.

Design & Technology

This term in D&T, we have been exploring the needs of animals within a zoo. We have researched a chosen zoo animal and created a small model using clay. In the coming weeks, we will be designing and constructing a zoo enclosure for our clay animals. We are very excited to see how they turn out!

Visual Arts

In Visual Arts, we will be exploring how we can turn everyday items into a masterpiece. These recycled goods will become the main feature of our drawings. We will have to use a lot of imagination to transform these once seen pieces of trash into treasure! These pieces will be entered into the Manjimup Cherry Festival.

Mathematic

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

- 2D Shapes - Describe and draw two-dimensional shapes, with and without digital technologies.
- 3D Objects - Describe the features of three-dimensional objects.
- Chance - Identify practical activities and everyday events that involve chance. Describe outcomes as 'likely' or 'unlikely' and identify some events as 'certain' or 'impossible'.

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

- 2D Shapes - Describe and draw two-dimensional shapes, with and without digital technologies.
- 3D Objects - Make models of three-dimensional objects and describe key features.
- Chance - Conduct chance experiments, identify and describe possible outcomes and recognise variation in results.

Health

For the remaining few weeks of health this year, students will study diversity in our families and in our school. We will explore the importance of respect, empathy and valuing diversity and find opportunities to celebrate diversity in our community.

Library

A reminder that library is every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child's books are kept safe in a library bag. During Library sessions, students will have an opportunity to take out books they can read to go towards their Term 4 AR goals. Please encourage your child to read them at home to help them achieve their goals.

