



Year 3 Term 1, 2024 Term Overview

WELCOME

Hello and welcome to the start of a new year at Monash. We are very excited for the year ahead with lots of fun learning opportunities and experiences planned. Our Year 3/4 camp is coming up soon and we can't wait to get out and experience all that Birrigai has to offer us! Please ensure that notes and payment have been returned. If you have any particular questions regarding camp, please make contact with the school.

Please remember to send a hat and drink bottle to school every day. We also remind families to please label all belongings, especially jumpers, jackets and lunch boxes.

Year 3 staff this year - Brooke Penna (3P), Ashlyn Diggins (3D), Madison Miller (3M), Jenn Byram and Kellie Keeffe (executive leaders). We also have Jenine Whennan supporting in the intervention role. We look forward to meeting with parents/carers at the Welcome BBQ on Tuesday 13 February and also during interviews in Week 5. Please feel free to contact us via email or Seesaw at any time throughout the year to discuss your child's academic progress or wellbeing.

WRITING

This term, we will be building on our understanding of sentence structure through exploring syntax and punctuation.

Each week, we will use a quality text to explore, learn and practise different writing skills required to write quality sentences. These include: converting fragments into sentences, expanding simple sentences, apostrophes to signal possession and using verbs to begin a sentence.

These skills will support us throughout our History unit of work, where we will be required to write quality sentences explaining significant events in Australia.

READING

This term students will be accessing and exploring a range of quality books related to our unit of work. They will focus on developing their passion for reading and building reading stamina (the ability to read for extended periods of time).

Students will build their phonological awareness by practising splitting words into parts, identifying syllables and manipulating sounds in words. We will explore a variety of letter patterns to improve decoding skills.

Students will engage in partner reading to further develop their fluency (pace and expression). We will also focus on expanding our vocabulary through our shared 'Read Alouds'. We will be looking closely at word meanings, synonyms and antonyms.



PARENT COMMUNICATION

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MATHEMATICS

Place Value

Throughout our place value unit, students will be exploring numbers to 10,000. They will be reading, partitioning, representing, and ordering these numbers. Students will apply this knowledge to explore numbers beyond 10,000.

Addition and Subtraction

In addition and subtraction, students will explore and apply a range of strategies that will support them in solving problems involving two and three digit numbers.

Algebra

In algebra, students will investigate addition and subtraction number sentences that include unknown values. They will practise a range of strategies (such as inverse operations and fact families) to find the unknown value.

UNIT OF WORK

PBL

Our focus for PBL this term is our four core values: Respect, Responsible Learner, Resilient and Safe. Students will be discussing what these values look, feel, and sound like in the classroom and on the playground. We will develop our classroom procedures, routines and expectations that align with our four school values.

Civics & Citizenship

In Civics & Citizenship, students will be learning about the importance of rules within our school community. They will also explore the different roles people have within our school community and discuss how their contributions are important.

History

In History, students will be exploring significant events, symbols, and emblems to Australia's identity and diversity. For example, Australia Day, ANZAC Day, NAIDOC Week and National Sorry Day. We will explore how these important events are celebrated and commemorated.

SUPPORTING LEARNING AT HOME

Literacy

- Read aloud with your child at home. Practise using expression when reading different sentence types. For example, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, and commas.
- Practise writing the four sentence types (statement, command, question and exclamation).
- Practise handwriting.

Maths

- Practise recalling multiplication facts for x2, x3, x4, x5, x10 .
- Practise reading and writing numbers up to 10 000 and beyond.

Civics & Citizenship

- Discuss rules that appear at home or in your local community
- Discuss the importance of rules in different settings

History

- Discuss the significance of events that will be celebrated or commemorated this term e.g. NAIDOC Week, ANZAC Day

EVENTS THIS TERM

13 Feb - Welcome BBQ and P & C AGM
26 Feb - 1 Mar - Parent/Teacher Meetings
1 Mar - School Captain's Assembly
7-8 Mar - Birrigai Camp
15 Mar - Swimming Carnival and P & C BBQ
26 Mar - School Photos
5 April - School Captain's Assembly
11 April - Athletics Carnival and P & C BBQ
12 April - last day of term