

YEAR THREE TERM ONE NEWSLETTER

THE SANCTUARY

Welcome to the Year Three learning space **The Sanctuary**

We have a great team of teachers working in **The Sanctuary** this year.

Mrs Bolmat is our co-ordinator and she is teaching 3A on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Miss Ferris is teaching the class on Wednesday. Mrs Heib and Mrs Wigg are sharing 3B. Mrs Heib is teaching on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs Wigg is teaching on Thursday and Friday. Mr Taylor is teaching 3C. Our students have settled in very well to their new learning environment. At present we are working on establishing good routines and introducing the Year Three curriculum to the students.

TAKE HOME READING AND HOMEWORK

Reading is an extremely important part of every child's education. Children need to continually practise reading both at school and at home in order to improve their skills. The take home reading program will continue this year. Students have already been given their readers and reading journals. We ask that students read each night after school and that parents record the pages read and sign the reading journal. Students are required to bring their reader bag back to school each day for the teacher to check and to change readers if they are finished the reader.

Students will also be receiving homework this term. As part of our Literacy Program students will have a weekly list of spelling words to learn. This will form part of their homework. The second part of the students homework will be working on the times tables. Learning the times tables is of utmost importance as they form the foundation of many of the number concepts that students will learn in their future schooling. Concepts such as fractions, decimals and percentages all revolve around knowledge of the times tables. Home work will be given out at the beginning of the week and due back on Fridays.



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SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR PROGRAM

We are beginning to implement our school wide positive behaviour program this term. The cornerstones of the program are: I am respectful, I am responsible, I am resilient and I am kind. This is a school wide program and teachers will be working with students this term to establish expectations

SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

| SUBJECT | 3A | 3B | 3C |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| ART | TUESDAY 12.30 - 1.30 | MONDAY 9.30 - 10.30 | TUESDAY 11.30 - 12.30 |
| DIGI TECH | TUESDAY 11.30 - 12.30 | TUESDAY 12.30 - 1.30 | THURSDAY 10.00 - 11.00 |
| PERFORMING ARTS | FRIDAY 9.30 - 10.30 | FRIDAY 9.00 - 10.00 | THURSDAY 2.15 - 3.15 |
| PHYSICAL EDUCATION | FRIDAY 10.30 - 11.30 | TUESDAY 11.30 - 12.30 | TUESDAY 12.30 - 1.30 |

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MATHEMATICS

This term our students are focusing on number and place value along with times tables. Students participate in targeted Maths groups on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday along with a real-life Maths component with their own class. Times table practise will also take place in various forms throughout each week.

LITERACY

Our Literacy Program this year revolves around vocabulary, reading and writing. We are combining The Syntax Program with Jolly Grammar as part of our vocabulary program. In these two programs students are taught spelling, grammar and punctuation. Our reading program this term is based around the 12 comprehension strategies. Comprehension strategies are conscious plans – sets of steps that good readers use to make sense of text. Comprehension strategy instruction helps students become purposeful, active readers. Our writing component will focus on Narrative and Persuasive writing and we will also be working with the students on their writers notebook.



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IMPORTANT DATES

**4TH - 16TH FEBRUARY - PARENT/TEACHER
INTERVIEWS**

**7TH MARCH - DISTRICT CROSS COUNTY
(SELECTED STUDENTS)**

11TH MARCH - LABOUR DAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

13TH MARCH - NAPLAN - WRITING

15TH MARCH - HOUSE SPORTS DAY

18TH MARCH - NAPLAN - READING

19TH MARCH - NAPLAN - LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

20TH MARCH - NAPLAN - NUMERACY

25TH MARCH - OPEN MORNING 9-10AM

28TH MARCH - PUPIL FREE DAY END OF TERM 1.

