

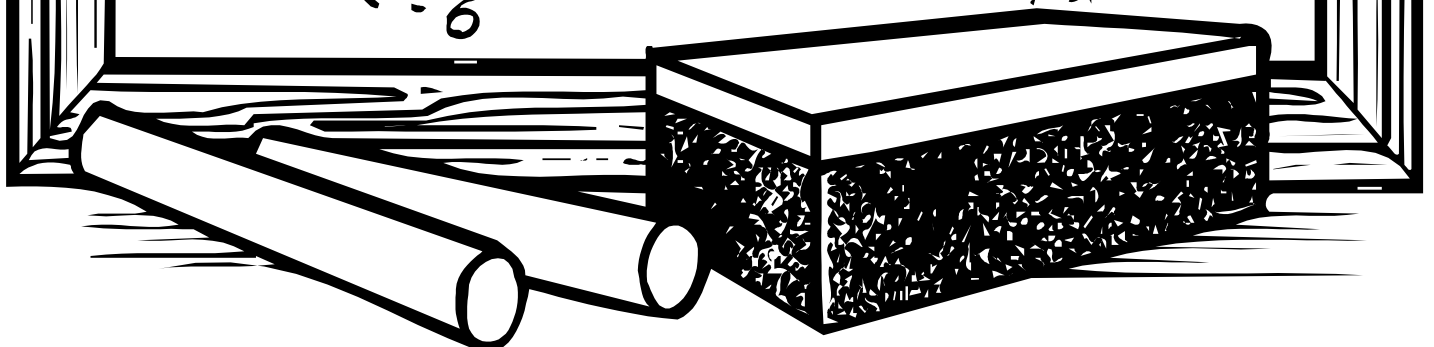
Year Three

PARENT
INFORMATION
BOOKLET
2019

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Welcome to Year 3!

The children have settled into class routines well and during the year they will be completing a wide variety of tasks in all subject areas. This year the Year 3's will be experimenting with a flexible learning environment using contemporary furniture. This enhances student centered learning where learners can move around freely and work where and how they feel best suits them, by making good and right choices. Learning environments can have a direct impact on student achievement and empowers them by having the choice. Moving locations is also good for their health and increases oxygen flow to the brain. If a child is uncomfortable they can move and it makes learning much more fun!

RELIGION

Our school Religious Education Programme is based on units of work which cover areas relevant to the children's lives. The programme is systematic and sequenced, helping children to relate our Catholic faith to their daily lives. The children will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Week 2 of Term 4. There will be a parent information night in Term 3. Please check term calendar for dates. Year 3 is rostered to attend a number of masses during the year. 3 Blue will prepare the mass on the 24th May to celebrate Our Lady Help of Christians. 3 Gold will prepare the mass on the 27th September for St Vincent de Paul. All parents are welcome to attend.



ENGLISH

The Year 3 classes follow a program based on the Australian Curriculum. The literacy tasks planned this year aim to develop in all children the ability to communicate efficiently in all areas; Reading, Speaking, Listening, Writing and Viewing. During the year various strategies will be used to achieve success. Integration across all curriculum areas will occur whenever possible. Please try to organise appointments for your child in the afternoon to avoid disrupting class work in this area.



Spelling:

Year 3 will be issued spelling lists which will be tested at the end of each week. The lists will be based on Diana Rigg's Phonic and Sight Word Sequence.

Reading:

Children will be retested to ascertain their reading level and they will complete a variety of activities to enhance comprehension, fluency and enjoyment.

Writing:

Throughout the year the children will be exposed and taught the different types of genres eg narratives, expositions, reports and recounts.

Handwriting

During the year children will be introduced to letter joins, using the New South Wales writing format.

MATHEMATICS



Number and Algebra - includes place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions. Students will also develop their mental computation skills and Times Tables are an essential part of this learning area.

Statistics and Probability - includes chance events and collecting, organising and representing data.

Measurement and Geometry- looks at shapes (2D and 3D), paths and positions, maps and investigations. Length, area, volume and capacity, mass and time concepts are also taught in this area.

Much of our Maths will be taught using hands on equipment and games.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (HASS)

This learning area will help to increase the children's knowledge and understanding about their local community and environment and provide them with opportunities to compare their situation to that of others.

History and Civics and Citizenship will be taught by the classroom teachers. Geography will be taught by Mr Bernie Schelfhout.

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY (Semester One) DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES (Semester Two)

The children will apply knowledge, skills and resources to the development of technological solutions. Our emphasis is on the hands on approach and collaborative learning.

HEALTH

There are three broad areas addressed in the Health programme. These are:

- Protective Behaviours
- Concepts for a Healthy lifestyle
- Self-Management Skills
- Interpersonal Skills



These programmes develop the child's positive self-esteem, empathy, co-operation, friendship skills, social skills and self management skills.

SPECIALIST CLASSES

ITALIAN (Monday) - Ms Zita-Wares

LIBRARY BROWSE - Mondays (Remember! No bag, no borrow).

MUSIC (Tuesday) - Ms Geraldine Lockyer

SCIENCE (Tuesday) - Mr Bernie Schelfhout

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (Wednesday) - Mrs Christine Schelfhout **swimming lessons will be conducted in Term 4**

GEOGRAPHY (Thursday) Mr Bernie Schelfhout



HOMEWORK:

This is a whole school approach. The children will be given a grid to allow for flexibility and family inclusion. There will be homework that **must** be complete (Reading and Spelling) and then children can choose from the grid.



COMMUNICATION



*School Newsletters are emailed regularly. It is very important you read these and return any relevant notes promptly.

*Teacher communication will be through SeeSaw as well as emails. Children will bring home their log ins. Please log in as the children will also be posting examples of their learning. Your child would love to see that you have viewed their work and you can even leave them a comment.

*Parents are asked to make appointments for parent/teacher meetings.

*Any monies to be forwarded to school are sent in a labelled envelope.

*Please send a written note of absence to the teacher on your child's return to school, even if you have already verbally discussed the absence with the teacher. This can also be emailed to the office.

*All children need to be signed in and out at the office when they arrive late or need to leave school early. Please hand the sign in/out slip to teacher. We have a new sign in/out system in the office using an ipad, if you are unsure how to use it please speak with the office staff.

NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

During Week 3 of Term 2, students will complete the National Literacy & Numeracy Assessment. Parent information brochures will be distributed to all parents at a later date.

SUPPORT

Mrs Janet Rechichi will be the main Education Assistant in both Year Three classes this year.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please label all items clearly. A school hat is compulsory. All Year Three children must wear their sports uniform on their sports day for Physical Education with Mrs Schelfhout on Wednesdays. Faction shirts are to be worn in terms 1 and 3. We appreciate your support in adhering to our school uniform policy.

A major focus will be encouraging all students to develop greater independence with learning, behaviour and responsibility and we look forward to your support throughout the year. If you have any concerns about your child please don't hesitate to contact us.



We are looking forward to a successful, rewarding and happy year for your child.

Many thanks for attending this evening.

Kind Regards,

Miss Soli Gentile (Year 3 Blue) and Mrs Maria Churack (Year 3 Gold)

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