

2021 R13 Term Four Overview

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Wow, the end of the year is so close. We are heading into a jam-packed term with Aquatics, High school visits and Graduation. The time is going to go very quickly. The students are taking on more responsibility for their learning. They are becoming familiar with the Australian Curriculum Standards and are working to produce evidence of learning to meet the standards.

We continue to work on organisational skills and growth mindsets, which will support students transitioning to high school.

Our learning program will focus on Literacy and Numeracy.

English:

This term, we will be finishing our class novel 'The Hobbit'. We will be - listening –reading, and completing comprehension activities using this novel as the foundation. In addition, we will continue to do daily spelling looking at both phonics and comprehension. Students must be able to spell the words correctly in their spelling test and their everyday writing.

This term, we will also be revising the requirements in each of the text types. In addition, we will also be looking at ways to improve sentence structure to communicate at a higher level.

Daily reading is essential as students learn to read and read to learn; with the students, we will answer the questions– How do we learn to read? Why do we need to read?

Maths:

Our lessons will include a mental routine that helps the student to be ready for math's learning. We will be developing both understanding fluency and problem-solving in all areas. Our topics this term will be

Wk.1-2: Measurement length area perimeter & volume

Wk. 3, 4 + 5: Algebra – equations variables

Wk. 7 + 8 Geometry

Wk. 9 Investigate Triangles

HASS:

This term, we will be looking at world geography and asking what makes a place significant?

We will also look at business and Economics, revising the difference between needs and wants and identifying our choices. We will also examine the skills and items required to run a business and how budgeting is a series of choices.

The Arts:

We will be performing both traditional and modern pieces of music using our tapping sticks.

In visual arts, we will be developing our pencil drawing and looking at how various artists have used multiple techniques to create portraits.

Health:

We will continue to work with the Child Protection Curriculum, including drug education. There will be a focus on problem-solving and keeping ourselves safe, the best ways to deal with negative peer pressure and where to seek help when we need it. In addition, we will include learning about our values: Respect, Excellence, Empathy and Community.

Technology:

The focus will be on digital technology and how data is collected and used by various groups. How computers help to solve problems and how they transmit data.

We will be using both traditional teaching methods as well as online coding.

Specialist Lessons

Students will continue to have five specialist lessons a week. 1 Italian lesson with Rachel Clark, 2 PE lessons with Richard Thom and 2 Science lessons with Tom Earley.

Hat/ Uniform

All students must wear a hat during playtime and outside time if the UV rating is over three. They are also to adhere to the schools' dress code, including shoes appropriate to physical activity. Students are still enjoying the seniors' tops and jackets.

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