

# C20

## Term 4 Curriculum News

### Welcome!

Dear families,

Welcome back to another great term in C20! It will be another busy term as the year 5 students will be participating in bike education to learn about riding bikes safely on the roads. Year 6 students will have aquatics and graduation later in the term. Specialist lessons are facilitated by Richard Thom - PE on Monday and Friday, Thomas Earley - Science on Thursday and Rachel Clarke - Italian on Wednesday. Our library lesson is on Monday.

### Homework

This year, students will be provided with a termly homework contract. Students are required to read every night and complete one other activity per week. Students will receive a check-in sheet and timeline to support them to stay on track and complete the homework project on time. Please sign the check-in sheet for your child each week. The homework project is due Monday Week 8 where students will present their project to the class.

### English

This term, our English program will focus on our poetry unit. Students will analyse and examine the vocabulary, language features and techniques used within poems and lyrics. Each week, students will learn about a specific type of poem and will need to recreate it. Ultimately, students will create their own poetry book to share with the class at the end of the term. Students will become familiar with the writing process, which encourages students to plan, draft, edit, proofread and publish their work with an emphasis on editing during the Daily 5. Students will continue to use the school directed Words their Way program, which allows students to use vowel patterns and various spelling rules to learn how to spell words accurately. Finally, students will be participating in the Daily 5 program, to develop their reading and writing fluency and stamina.

### Mathematics

Our Mathematics focus this term will be on shape, angles, chance and probability. Students will continue with their place value and number work throughout the term as well as mapping during HASS lessons. Using a range of learning tasks, assessments and problem-solving tasks, students will be challenged and tested on the four proficiency skills of problem solving, understanding, fluency and reasoning to become well rounded mathematic learners. Mental routines will continue to be used to increase student's fluency and further enhance student's use of strategies in a fast, engaging way. Students will have the opportunity to solve open ended, contextual problems and reflect on the strategies that would be most effective to use. Students will also practise their fluency skills through interleaving questions each week. These questions will test students on a variety of mathematic concepts and will encourage them to use their problem-solving skills.

## HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences)

HASS combines History, Geography, Economics and Civics and Citizenship. We will be working with C19 for HASS this term. This term our focus will be directed towards Civics and Citizenship and we will be learning about democracy in Australia. We will learn about the difference and importance of rules and laws and how laws are developed in Australia. We will learn about what it means to be an Australian citizen and our rights and responsibilities. In small groups we will be creating our own country and learning about different roles in our government systems. We will be learning about the voting process and practice using these skills by having a class election.

## The Arts

This term we will be continuing our focus on visual arts. In small groups students will be preparing to teach an art lesson to the class.

## Digital Technology

This term our focus will be on digital technologies. Students will be learning to use different programs such as scratch to make animations move and come alive!

## Reminders

Please ensure that any hats, jumpers, drink bottles or lunch boxes that your child brings to school are clearly labelled with their name. This ensures any lost property can be returned easily.

## Brain Food and Buddies

We encourage healthy eating and students are allowed to eat fruit or vegetables throughout the day. Please pack your child a small healthy snack to eat during this time. Students will continue improving their leadership skills by working with their buddies and supporting them through reading and spelling.

## Seesaw

Seesaw is an application which you can download to view what students in the class have been learning about, receive reminder messages and see your child's work from school. Please use the unique code to enter Seesaw. If you require another copy of your code, please let me know.

## Upcoming Events

Fridays – 23<sup>rd</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Bike Education  
25<sup>th</sup> October – Dental van visit  
18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 Aquatics  
22<sup>nd</sup> November – Pupil free day  
26<sup>th</sup> November – Colour run  
6<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 graduation

If you have any questions or queries, please contact me via SeeSaw or pop in for a chat after school.