



Class Newsletter for 3M

Classroom Connections

Welcome back to all of our students and families for Term 3! We have had a great start to the term and it has been a pleasure to see the children after a well-earned rest from a very busy Term 2. Please take some time to read about what we have happening in our class in the coming term.

ENGLISH

This term students will read, view and analyse narrative texts. They will create and present a dialogue between two characters from a story; where one character is telling another character how to do something: procedure.

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be exploring a range of mathematical concepts. We will be focusing on concepts of place value up to 5 digit numbers, including patterning, comparison, ordering, and number operations. Students will also extend their knowledge on measurement, such as using metric units of length, mass and capacity and informal units of area to measure, order and compare objects. To add to this, we will focus on time: reading, writing and representing time to the minute on both analogue and digital clocks. We will have a large emphasis on multiplication and division this term to review, consolidate and extend our current knowledge of these concepts.

SCIENCE

In this unit students will understand what constitutes a living thing and understand that they can be distinguished from non-living things. They justify groupings of living and non-living things according to observable features including never living things, once living things and products of living things. Students will use their science knowledge to explain the effects of actions by people in local environments. They identify questions that can be investigated scientifically, make predictions and participate in investigations to answer these questions. Students identify and use safe practices to make scientific observations and record data about living and non-living things to help answer the investigation question. Students use scientific language and representations to communicate their observations and findings.

GEOGRAPHY

In this unit students will investigate the inquiry question

- How and why are places similar and different?
- What would it be like to live in a neighbouring country?

The content provides opportunities to develop the following concepts for geographical understandings: place, space, environment, interconnection and scale.

ART/ TECHNOLOGY

This term the students will use materials, techniques and processes to explore visual conventions when designing a card for Father's Day. They will also plan, make and reflect on their creation.

Key Days for Class 3M

Assembly - 2:00 -2:30pm	Friday - odd weeks
Physical Education	Tues & 2nd Friday
Music	Tues
ICT	Thurs
Library	Fri
Religious Instruction	Wed

Websites of Interest

- Mathletics
- Reading Eggs

What's happening this term?

Important Dates

Thursday 20th July	Excursion Jellurgal Aboriginal Centre
Friday 28th July	Academic Awards Assembly
Tuesday 1st August	ICAS English
Monday 7th August	Mid-Year Music Concert
Friday 11th August	OSS Junior Athletics Carnival Principal's Party PBL children
Tuesday 15th August	ICAS Maths Competition
Monday 21st August	Beginner's and Senior's Band Eisteddfod
Friday 1 September	Gold Coast Show Holiday
Friday 15th September	Principal's Party PBL children

Extra Information

On the 20th of July our Year 3 students will attend an excursion to the Jellurgal Aboriginal Centre, Burleigh Heads. This will enhance and provide a common background experience for historical perspectives. Please contact your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions regarding information for this event. We wish all of our Year 3 students a wonderful time.

Homework

Homework is given out each **MONDAY** and must be neatly completed and handed in on **FRIDAY** of the same week. The children have reading, spelling and a mathematics sheet to complete. The math task is a consolidation of the concept taught the previous week.

Work for Holidays

Going on Holidays?

Teachers are sometimes asked if they can give children 'work' when families go on holidays during term time. Quite often, a worksheet may have been preceded by several teaching lessons of explicit modelling and discussion. For this reason, we can't always supply you with the work that will be covered while your child is away.

Don't stress!

Things you can do to keep your child learning:

Writing: quite time writing a diary entry might be appreciated by you at some time each day. **Reading:** if your child is a converted reader, they will naturally want to take a book. If not, pack a joke book. It will drive you crazy but it will keep them reading. Don't forget to read brochures etc with them.

- **Maths:** If driving, don't forget you can add up the kilometres travelled and how many litres it takes to fill a tank.
- **History & Geography:** Look at the map of where you are going or whether your destination has an interesting past.
- **Reading Eggs and Mathletics.**

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