



# GRADE THREE NEWSLETTER

## TERM ONE 2018

### TERM ONE DATES

#### FEBRUARY

**Information Night**  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

**Meet the Teacher**  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

**Michael Ymer Parent  
Evening**  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

#### MARCH

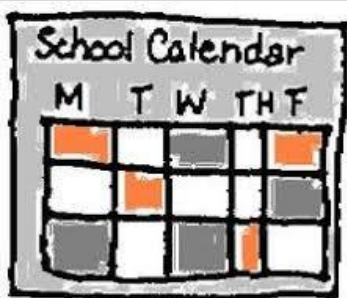
**Working Bee**  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

**Curriculum Day**  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

**Labour Day**  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup>

**School Photos**  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

**End of Term 2 (2.30pm  
finish)**  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>



### WELCOME BACK

Welcome to Grade 3 at Glen Iris Primary School. We hope that all families had a relaxing break and, whether time was spent at home or travelling, all enjoyed their time together. We have a wonderful group of enthusiastic Grade 3s this year and are excited about the year ahead. Grade 3 brings many new activities and events for the children. This includes our first camp in Term 2, an introduction to homework and various House Sport events. We look forward to sharing these opportunities with you throughout the year.

### LITERACY

During morning Literacy sessions, students will engage with a variety of information, imaginative and persuasive texts. There will be a continued focus on building reading comprehension strategies to ensure children develop a deeper understanding of what has been read and can engage in conversations about their reading material. Take Home Reading will begin in the coming weeks. As with Grade 2, children will be allocated one day where they will change their Take Home Reading books. Please ensure your child has their Take Home Reading bag and signed Take Home Reading diary at school on his/her given day. The Grade 3s will be glad to hear that we will continue with daily Writer's Notebook sessions. Very soon, children will be asked to bring to school a collection of items to add to their own Writer's Notebook as this will inspire their writing during the year ahead. In addition, we will be focusing on writing persuasive texts during our 'Stop and Pause' week towards the end of term. While the children will no longer be required to prepare weekly Show and Tell, Speaking and Listening will be developed through short oral presentations delivered at school.

### NUMERACY

This term during our daily Numeracy sessions, we will be exploring addition, subtraction, place value, length, time and shape. We encourage the children to continue to use Mathletics at home to consolidate their learning. The students' 2017 username and passwords are still active. Please let your child's teacher know should you require assistance.

Staff at Glen Iris Primary will continue their work with Maths consultant, Michael Ymer. Parents will be invited to attend an evening session with Michael later this month. He is a terrific presenter and it is sure to be an informative night!

### INTEGRATED STUDIES

We have started the school year with the topic 'Launch into Learning'. This gives the class an opportunity to develop our classroom agreements and establish classroom routines. Next week we will move onto the topic 'Who Makes the Rules?' Throughout this topic, we will explore the importance of having rules, who makes the rules and what happens when we break the rules.

## GRADE 3 TEACHING TEAM

Classroom teachers in Grade 3 this year are Meagan Cofield (3C), Megan Gerring (3G) and Sammy Orchard (3O). Other staff working alongside the Grade 3 children will be Nikki Szwarcbard (Art), Nathan Gilliland (Sport), Laurence Barre (French), Kate Van Der Jagt (Performing Arts), Shelley Morrison (Numeracy Support) and Bindi Tod (Literacy Support).

## SPORTS UNIFORM

Although it is not a requirement, some children in Grade 3 may have a sports uniform. Children are only to wear their sports uniform on the day in which they have PE. 3C have PE on a Monday and both 3G and 3O have PE on a Thursday this term.

## SUN SMART

Just a reminder that students are required to wear hats outside until May 1<sup>st</sup> as part of our Sun Smart Policy.

## HOMEWORK

The Grade 3 children are quite excited about the prospect of starting homework in Term 2. In the meantime, the major focus of the homework program will continue to be Take Home Reading and developing reading comprehension strategies. Children are to read for at least 20 minutes every night, ensuring that they read a broad range of literature and engage in discussions about what they have read. In addition to reading, Mathematics and games focusing on number skills (e.g. Yahtzee, card games) are always encouraged as we continue to work on the automatic recall of number facts and move towards times tables. Further information regarding Take Home Reading and ways parents can support their child's learning will be sent home later this term.

## GRADE 3 CAMP


In Term 2, the students will attend their first school camp at Camp Arrabri from Wednesday May 9<sup>th</sup> Friday May 11<sup>th</sup>. Further details and information will be provided later this term.

We are looking forward to a fun year getting to know the children and families of 3C, 3G and 3O.


Kind Regards,

Meagan Cofield, Megan Gerring and Sammy Orchard


## GRADE 3C WEEKLY TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PE	Performing Arts	Library 	Art French	Assembly (Fortnightly)

## GRADE 3G WEEKLY TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	French Performing Arts	Library 	PE Art	Assembly (Fortnightly)

## GRADE 3O WEEKLY TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Art	Performing Arts	Library 	French PE	Assembly (Fortnightly)

