



GRADE THREE NEWSLETTER

TERM ONE 2019

TERM ONE DATES

FEBRUARY

**Incursion – Brainstorm
Production**
Monday 4th

Information Night
Wednesday 13th

Curriculum Day
Monday 18th

Meet the Teacher
Tuesday 19th

MARCH

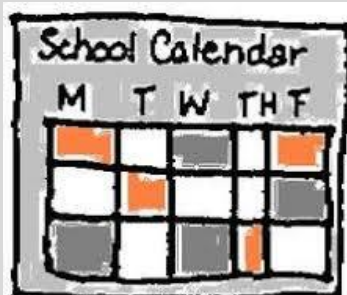
Labour Day
Monday 11th

APRIL

GIPS Colour Run
Tuesday 2nd

School Photos
Wednesday 3rd

**End of Term 2 (2.30pm
finish)**
Friday 5th



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 Choice Writing 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' 2018 username and passwords are still active. Please let your child's teacher know should you require assistance. Mathletics, accessed either through a web browser or the app, supports children to build on skills and strategies explored during classroom learning. Regular use ensures 'revision' of concepts covered at different times during the school year and assists children in making sure they retain each concept and can build on what they already know.

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 'Rules and Laws'. Throughout this topic, we will explore the importance of having rules, who makes the rules and what happens when we break the rules (e.g. cause and effect).

GRADE 3 TEACHING TEAM

Classroom teachers in Grade 3 this year are Meagan Cofield (3C), Sammy Orchard (3O) and Bindi Tod (3T). Other staff working alongside the Grade 3 children will be Michele Freeland-Small (Art), Nathan Gilliland (Sport), Laurence Barre (French) and Amy Lauritz (Performing Arts).

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 Tuesday and both 3O and 3T have PE on a Thursday this term.

SUN SMART

Just a reminder that students are required to wear hats outside until May 1st 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 at least five nights a week, 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 Manyung from Monday May 27th to Wednesday May 29th. 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, 3O and 3T.


Kind Regards,

Meagan Cofield, Sammy Orchard and Bindi Tod

GRADE 3C WEEKLY TIMETABLE

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

GRADE 3O WEEKLY TIMETABLE

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

GRADE 3T WEEKLY TIMETABLE

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

