

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Term 4 is full of lots of exciting events and will be a very fun and busy time at school as we head towards the end of the year. These events will include Grandparents' Day, a walking excursion of The Basin, an end of year fun day, and of course our big highlight, Grade 3 Camp at Phillip Island. Please find below our outline for English, Mathematics and Challenge Based Learning for Term 4.

### English

This term we will continue to focus on developing our comprehension skills by focusing on a range of strategies using the CAFÉ reading approach. We will also build our fluency skills with students developing their ability to read aloud, while adding expression and adjusting their reading rate to add interest for their audience.

Students will continue to build their writing capacity through our Writer's Workshop. Students will be exposed to writing persuasive, informative and imaginative text types while continuing to expand their ideas in their writing. This term is also exciting for our Grade 3 students as they work towards joining their writing and receiving their pen licence. We encourage all of our students to focus on their letter shape, size and form as are joining their letters. We will continue to focus on our new approach to spelling building students' phonological, visual and morphemic knowledge.

### Mathematics

In mathematics this term we will begin with a focus on fractions. Students will engage in a wide range of open-ended activities as they build their understanding of fractions as part of a whole, and part of a collection. We will also look at probability, shape and angles throughout the term. In connection with our camp to Phillip Island students will learn more about mapping, creating their own maps and thinking about direction and scale.

We continue to encourage students to practise the recall of their times tables with a particular focus on their 2, 3, 5, and 10 times tables.

### Challenge Based Learning

In Term 4 our CBL Big Idea is 'Community'. Our Grade 3s will have a specific focus on history and local government, looking at our local history and important people. Students will engage in a number of guiding activities to build their understanding of our local history. We will also be participating in a local walking excursion where we will learn about some significant sites and historical stories. Students will respond to the challenge by promoting a place to visit in our local community.

We are looking forward to a great term to finish off the year. At any stage should you have any questions or information that will help us support your child please always make contact your child's teacher via Compass or Class Dojo.

## DATES OF INTEREST

### FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

Monday October 2

### GRADE 3 CAMP

Monday October 9 –  
Wednesday October 11

### WORKING BEE

Saturday October 28 9am-12pm

### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY

**Student Free Day**  
Monday November 6

### MELBOURNE CUP DAY

Tuesday November 7

### CURRICULUM DAY

**Student Free Day**  
Wednesday November 8

### GRANDPARENTS DAY

**9:30am – 11:00am**  
Friday November 10

### CHRISTMAS CAROLS NIGHT

Thursday December 7

### 2024 CLASSROOM TRANSITION

Tuesday December 12

### GRADE 3 FUN DAY

Thursday December 14

### CLASS PARTIES

Monday December 18

### LAST DAY OF TERM 4

Tuesday December 19  
1:30pm dismissal