 **Year 3**

 **Term 3 Overview**

 **2017**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find an outline of the learning and teaching programs for Term 3. Due to the wide range of student abilities in each classroom, the teaching and learning program will be structured so that the learning needs of each student are catered for.

Kind Regards,

Grade 3 Team

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| **English** | **Reading Focus:**Reading sessions will include a combination of independent reading and reading groups to best cater for the learning needs of each student. Students will be involved in a variety of activities using our CAFÉ reading model. We will also be developing students’ vocabulary and comprehension skills relating to author’s purpose, main idea, identifying facts and opinions, paraphrasing, summarizing and navigating online texts. |
| **Writing Focus:**Writing sessions will concentrate on planning, composing, recording, revising & publishing written work in a variety of forms. Students will develop a greater understanding of the grammar involved to compose sentences and paragraphs. Students will be exposed to the different characteristics of a range of writing forms including information reports and interviewing and writer’s notebook. |
| **Speaking & Listening Focus:**Students will have many opportunities to speak in front of others, to develop their listening skills further and increase their confidence. Students will be encouraged to put into practice the qualities of what makes a good speaker & listener. Students will have the opportunity to interview a person from the local community. |
| **Spelling and Grammar Focus**:Spelling and grammar are part of the writing process. Strategies & skills will be developed through the study of Oxford Words, spelling blends, Inquiry unit words and student selected words from their writing, grammar workshops and a weekly THRASS focus. Grammar workshops will focus on parts of speech and punctuation appropriate to the text types explored |
| **Maths** | During Mathematics sessions this term, students will be learning about the following: |
| **Number Focus:**- Times Tables – automatic recall- Multiplication- Division- Fractions |  **Measurement and Geometry Focus:**- Length, perimeter, area- Volume and capacity- Location, angles and tessellation**Statistics and Probability Focus:**- Probability- Data |
| **Inquiry** | **The unit for Grade 3 this term is Earth Science** Students will be engaged in a variety of hands on activities that extend their knowledge about day and night.  |