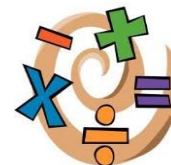


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Maths:

Number and Algebra

- Represent and solve problems involving multiplication using efficient mental and written strategies.
- Make connections between fractions and decimal notation.
- Solve worded problems – focus on various mental and written strategies.
- Represent money values in multiple ways and count the change required for simple transactions to the nearest five cents.
- Use estimation and rounding to check the reasonableness of answers to calculations.



Measurement & Geometry

- Use of scaled instruments to measure and compare masses and volume, convert between familiar metric units of mass and volume.
- Measuring area and perimeter.
- Identify symmetry in the environment.

Statistic and Probability

- Identify events where the chance of one will not be affected by the occurrence of the other.

English:

Reading

- Use comprehension strategies to build literal and inferred meaning and begin to evaluate texts.

Writing

- Revise writing genres- Poetry, Information Report and Procedural texts. Focus on use of paragraph, headings, sub-heading and using appropriate vocabulary as well as proof reading and editing skills.



Spelling

- S.M.A.R.T spelling continues.

Speaking & Listening

- Make presentations and contributing actively to class and group discussions, varying language according to context.
- Students will take part in debating topics as part of their Inquiry Learning.

Inquiry learning:

In Term 3, Students will be exploring the topic of Sustainability and how it affects our world. Students will investigate where products come from, how they are created, recycled and reused or wasted. They also investigate the impact that products have on the environment.

Specialist Timetable

	STEM	VISUAL ARTS	HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	LIBRARY	INDONESIAN
34A	Tuesday Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Friday	Thursday
34B	Monday Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Friday	Thursday

Visual Arts with Mrs Cunado

The focus for this term will be on printing, painting and construction. Students will begin to work on a major piece for this year's Art Show. Using a variety of construction materials, students will make a sea creature using Modrock – a plaster like material. Students will have access to a variety of embellishments to decorate their creature. This piece will be presented at the Art Show (held in Term 4). If students have an art smock, please encourage them to bring it to Art sessions, we might get messy! Looking forward to a fun and creative term in the Art Room!

Health & Physical Education with Mr Bolton

During Term 3, students will be involved in a Gymnastics Program (known as PIT Gym) designed to further develop their motor skills. They will use a variety of equipment to improve balance, strength, and coordination. The School Values such as Teamwork and Collaboration will be essential. Students will also learn basic skills in Futsal (Soccer) and Basketball to ensure students have an understanding of the basic rules while some will utilize these skills in a Tournament arranged by Reservoir High School against our local schools.

ICT with Mr Bolton

Students will continue to build their knowledge and use of 'Word'. This will involve using short cuts, adding borders, pictures and tables. Each student will develop greater confidence typing and develop their proficiency. Programs such as PowerPoint will be used to add hyperlinks, sound, video clips to improve students presentations. New programs to be learnt include Pivot (simple animation) and DB Primary to include blogs, uploading of work and utilise the games and communication within the program.

Indonesian with Ms Jap

Our focus for Term 3 will be about the celebration of **Indonesian Independence Day** in August. Throughout the term, students will participate in rotational activities, where they will learn to sing, dance and make collages. Students will learn to play the Angklung, an Indonesian musical instrument. We are very lucky to welcome back our visiting Indonesian language teacher, Ibu Monika to teach our children dance. Dr. Monika Winarnita is currently lecturing at La Trobe University, so we understand that she is very busy and we are grateful to have her again.

STEM with Mr Money

In Term 3, Year 3 & 4 students will continue to have two Science lessons each week, one with their classroom teacher as well as myself. This term students will investigate heat. The unit of work will link science with literacy in the classroom. It provides opportunities for students to investigate different heat sources and how heat moves from one object to another. Through hands-on activities, students will investigate the difference in conductivity, and insulating qualities of materials. They will explore the many different ways heat is used and for what purposes in peoples, animals and plants lives as well as in industries and nature. Towards the end of term, preparations for National Science Week will focus on aspects of heat and other scientific concepts relating to Space, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Moon landing. In line with the school's initiative of Student Voice, classes throughout the term will also focus on investigating areas of interest that students have previously identified.

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