



Year 4/5 & 5/6 Term 3 2021 Newsletter

Welcome back to the beginning of what will be a great term. All students will be involved in public speaking programs throughout the term. Year 6 students will focus on Speechmasters, while our Year 5 students will learn how to debate and make a speech. The skills developed throughout the program will encourage students to express ideas, build confidence and share interests with others.

English

Reading

- The focus will be on Authors Purpose and Inferring. This will help the students prepare for Debating.

Writing

- Revise procedural, persuasive and information report genres of writing. Focus on use of rhetorical questions, adverbial phrases, tense, plurals, and topic-specific vocabulary as well as revising and editing skills. The students will also be completing Debating and Speechmasters writing, which will also be a major focus this term.

Spelling

- Continue with our S.M.A.R.T Spelling Program.

Mathematics

Number and Algebra

- Addition and subtraction of fractions including mixed numbers.
- Describe, continue and create patterns with fractions, decimals and whole numbers resulting from addition and subtraction. Continue using number lines and diagrams to create patterns involving fractions or decimals. Where possible relate this work to areas of measurement so students can see real life connections.
- Use equivalent number sentences involving addition and subtraction to find unknown quantities.

Measurement & Geometry

- Connect three-dimensional objects with their nets and other two dimensional representations. Identify the shape and relative position of each face of a solid to determine the net of the solid, including that of prisms and pyramids.
- Create or design two-dimensional shapes and images using digital drawing programs, photographs, sketches based on 3D models representations.
- Describe translations, reflections and rotations of two-dimensional shapes.

Statistic and Probability

- Mean, medium and average of data collection.
- Look for data representations such as pie graphs that represent percentages and make connection with percentage work in number this term.

Science

- Students will be learning about biological science with Mr McKenzie-McHarg.

Indonesian with Ms Jap

Our focus for Term 3 is all about Indonesian food. Children will learn about some Indonesian street food and tropical fruit. We will have an **Indonesian Independence Day** celebration in August where children will participate in singing, dancing, cooking and fruit tasting.

The Arts with Ms Wonda

Year 4/5

The students will investigate indigenous art both traditional and contemporary. Different styles are indicative of specific areas in Australia. The importance of story in images and paintings will be explored. The art materials used by the aboriginal artists to make paint and painting tools will be studied. The use of symbols allows First nations people to save and share cultural stories that teach lessons of survival, sustainability and ethics.

Year 5/6

The students will investigate indigenous art both traditional and contemporary. Different styles are indicative of specific areas in Australia. The importance of story in images and paintings will be explored. The art materials used by the aboriginal artists to make paint and painting tools will be studied. The students will be introduced to the symbols, concentric shapes and lines of Desert art, bark and rock art. The Milky Way, ancestral beings (people, animals, birds, plants, rain, clouds and stars) of the Dreamtime and how the Dreamtime is kept alive in song, ceremony, learning and art works.

Health and Physical Education with Mr Bolton

Year 4/5

During Term 3, all students will continue to experience games such as basketball and futsal (soccer). In some cases, students will compete in tournaments held at Reservoir High with other schools in our District. Students will focus on building and refining skills to use in sporting games such as bat tennis, rounders, and kanga cricket. They will investigate a range of games as seen on the Olympics and the skills required to compete at such a high standard.

Year 5/6

During Term 3, all students will continue to experience games such as basketball and futsal (soccer). In some cases, students will compete in tournaments held at Reservoir High with other schools in our District. The emphasis will focus upon teamwork and strategies. Students will concentrate on skills such as throwing and catching while participating in minor games. They will investigate a range of games as seen on the Olympics and the skills required to compete at such a high standard.

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