Curriculum Information for Term 4 2024 for Year 3

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final term of 2024. Please see below the curriculum focus for Term 4 in Year 3. You may wish to use this information to spark conversations with your child regarding what they are learning in school.

In NSW all schools are mandated to teach subjects according to the NSW Education and Standards Authority (NESA) learning areas (subjects). In Primary school English is allocated the most time followed by maths. In English all skills are taught daily around texts and writing genres. As a Catholic school we also teach Religious Education (RE), following the curriculum of the Broken Bay diocese.

Our Religious Education unit this term is 'Our Christian Mission, Prayer and the Stories of Advent and Christmas.' This module encourages students to consider practical ways to reach out to others and be part of the mission of Jesus. Students will also investigate the work of Catholic Mission and individuals who are committed to reaching out to others.



In 2024 we will be using the new Y3-6 NSW English syllabus with a revised lesson structure that highlights the connections between understanding texts and creating texts. The content is structured and sequenced to highlight the connections across oral language & communication, vocabulary, reading fluency, reading comprehension, creating written texts, spelling, handwriting and digital transcription and understanding and responding to literature.

During Term 4, Year 3's first English unit will be focussing on the topic of *Narrative* through the texts "Our Dreaming" by Kirli Saunders. The 2nd unit will explore *Theme and Argument and Authority* through analysis of the texts, "Kicking goals with Goodesy and Magic" by Anita Heiss with Adam Goodes & Michael O'Loughlin and "Diary of an AFL Legend" by Shamini Flint.

The new Maths syllabus for Years 3 -6 recognises the critical importance of developing an increasingly sophisticated understanding of mathematical concepts, and fluency with mathematical processes, to help students interpret and solve problems.

Term 4 units of work for maths will include Geometric Measure, Mass, Additive relations, Multiplicative relations, Partitioned fractions, 2D & 3D Spatial structure, Data & chance, Position and Time.

Geography - Our unit is 'Places are Similar and Different.' This unit focuses on the diversity of Australia's places and environments with a focus on climate. Students investigate how climate affects places with a particular focus on vegetation, the way the land is used and the activities of the people who live in selected places.



Creative Arts: Visual Art - Visual Art activities will be linked to the other areas of the curriculum such as RE and Geography.

Music, Dance and Drama: There will be music lessons led by a specialist music teacher, Mr Warby. Dance lessons in preparation for the Musical are also led by Mrs Paul. Drama activities are also integrated into daily topics allowing the students to express themselves through movement.



PDHPE

Our PDH unit this term is titled 'My Lunchbox Rules'. In this unit, students will recognise the importance of making good food choices for their overall health and wellbeing. This unit will be primarily taught by Sam Carolyn as she has taken the lead in our PDH units this year.

PE -Each week we will have 2 lessons of P.E; "Class Sport" and a P.E. lesson led by our specialist teacher Mrs Frost.

Year 3 weekly routine

Monday - Homework set (start of odd weeks)

Tuesday - Sport (Wear sports uniform)

Thursday- Library (Please bring your library bag), School assembly-Every 2nd week (even weeks)

Friday - Homework handed in (end of even weeks)

Dance with Mrs Paul

Music with Mr Warby

PE with Mrs Frost (Wear sports uniform)

Canteen - Our school canteen is usually open on a Monday and a Friday. Please order via the LunchFox app.

Communication - Please email chloe.murray2@dbb.catholic.edu.au or call the School Office.