

Pod 3 Term 2

Welcome back to term 2. We have had several new students and now have 30 members of our class. The strong focus this year is on becoming a responsible and independent worker. We have been looking at the learning intention of a task and then looking at the success criteria. We then discuss “how do I know I have been successful”.

This term Angela Princi will again be in the classroom on Fridays. She will also take the class for the last 2 weeks of this term whilst I am on long service leave.

Below is a brief outline of the program for each area of study covered by me. Angela Princi covers Science and Technology and Caitlin Costello covers drama in the arts. They have separate programs for these areas of study.

Homework students have a homework book which comes home on Mondays. In it is a sheet of tables to focus on and a table of the week to learn. The sheet will have the list of spelling words for the week to learn.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily guided reading groups—focus on building inferential comprehension skills • Skimming and scanning techniques • Developing skills to self edit written work • Structure of various text types /paragraphing • Weekly spelling and grammar from Jolly phonics program 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Maths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental maths and problem solving strategies • Using the 4 processes to solve problems • Simple fractions and 1 and 2 place decimals • 2D and 3D shapes and their properties • Identifying locations on maps and diagrams • Language of maths (key word vocabulary) • Multiplicative thinking
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Geography</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The continents and their features • Features of places and how they impact on livability • Interconnections between characteristics • Interpreting simple maps • Represent data in tables, plans, maps and diagrams 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Health and PE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities that focus on developing a positive self image • Anti Bullying strategies • Skipping skills (Jump Rope) • Daily fitness/ball skills • P E with Mr Harris (one afternoon a fortnight) following his program
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Arts</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Line Dancing with a modern twist • Creating dance • Creating a variety of visual arts using a variety of medium • Responding to visual artworks 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Other subject areas</u></p> <p>Technology and Science will be done by Ms Princi on Fridays (see separate program).</p> <p>The Arts (drama) will be done by Mrs Costello (see separate program)</p> <p>Japanese will be covered by Mrs Leonards (2 lessons a week)</p> <p>PE will be every second Thursday afternoon with Mr Harris</p>