

## Term 2 Newsletter – Grade 3 / 4 2016

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### **NAPLAN TEST:**

In the first three weeks of the term, we will be preparing for the National NAPLAN test in May. NAPLAN test consists of English and Numeracy. This is a time that we like to make sure all students in Year 3 and 5, in particular to be at school every day and on time.

### **Maths:**

#### Number and Algebra

- Fractions and Decimals
- Patterns and Algebra

#### Measurement & Geometry

- Time
  - Reading clock, both analogue & digital, to the minute, relationship between units of time, hours, minutes, seconds
- Calendars
- 2D Shapes and 3D objects



#### Statistics and Probability

- Revise Chance and probability
  - Use of specialised vocabulary and data representations in graphs

### **English:**

- Reading - The focus will be on reading comprehension strategies - 'Predicting and Connecting', 'Comparing and Contrasting' as well as 'Finding word meaning in context'. Exploring online texts and some features such as blogs and emails.
- Writing - Revise narrative and procedural genre of writing. Focus on use of paragraph, topic sentence, using better vocabulary as well as editing skills.
- Spelling – homophones, three letter clusters (thr, shr, squ), double consonants personal spelling lists and subject specific vocabulary lists.

### **Science:**

- Living and Non-living – Living things have life-cycles, structural features and adaptations to survive in their environment.

### **Special Event:**

**Travelling Kitchen incursion:** 3/4 students will take part in a cooking lesson with a focus on making pasta in the kitchen. This unit of study will further enhance student understandings of the 'food pyramid' and in making healthy eating choices.



**Ms Marcelina Jap & Mrs Sarika Shah**  
**Grade 3/4 Teaching Team**

## Performing Arts:

Students will explore a variety of musical genre. Singing will also play an important role this term. New songs will be learnt and a variety of visual aids will be used to enhance learning opportunities. Concert rehearsals will begin and students will be learning and working together to develop a dance routine. **(Concert date is yet to be confirmed, details will be given in the school newsletter shortly).**

**Sonya Cunado (Performing Arts Coordinator)**

## Physical Education:

Grade 3 and 4 Physical Education lessons in Term 2 will largely focus on preparing student's Fundamental Motor skills and applying them to the Winter Interschool Sport competition that they will be involved in over coming years at Kingsbury Primary. These sports are Soccer, Football, Netball and T-Ball. Lessons will mainly cover the skills required for different aspects of the game, but will also involve competing with others, and discussing the rules, and tactics. There will also be regular activities to develop and promote aerobic fitness as well as strength and endurance. These activities will be based around enjoyment and students challenging themselves to demonstrate and develop their best abilities. Assessments of selected Fundamental Motor Skills and general physical abilities in the areas covered as well as individual sporting attitudes will be recorded for the mid-year reports.

**Gordon Money (Physical Education teacher)**

## Specialist Timetable

|                           | Monday                                   | Tuesday     | Wednesday          | Thursday    | Friday |
|---------------------------|--|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------|
| <b>Performing Arts</b>    |  |             |                    | 3/4J & 3/4S |        |
| <b>Recorder</b>           | 3/4J & 3/4S                              |             |                    |             |        |
| <b>LOTE</b>               | 1.30pm –<br>2.15pm                       |             | 2.30pm –<br>3.30pm |             |        |
| <b>Physical Education</b> |  |             |                    | 3/4J & 3/4S |        |
| <b>Interschool Sports</b> | Every Friday, 12.00noon – 2.45pm approx. |             |                    |             |        |
| <b>Library</b>            |  | 3/4J & 3/4S |                    |             |        |

## Upcoming Events

|   |                                     |
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| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April   | ANZAC Day (School Closed)           |
| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May   | Cooking Workshops                   |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May   | Mother's Day Stall                  |
| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> , Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May | NAPLAN Testing for Grade 3 students |
| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May   | Canteen Special BBQ Lunch Day       |
| Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May  | Casual Dress Day                    |
| Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May   | School Photos                       |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June   | Canteen Special Soup Day            |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June  | Queen's Birthday (School Closed)    |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June  | Reports go home today               |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June   | 3 Way Conferences, 11.00am – 6.00pm |
| Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June  | Term 2 ends @ 1.30pm                |