

## Grade 3 / 4 Newsletter Term 4 2017

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### Mathematics:

#### Number and Algebra

- Place Value: count and order numbers to and from 10 000.
- Money: solve simple purchasing problems, correctly count out change from financial transactions.
- Fractions: model and represent unit fractions for halves, thirds, quarters, fifths and eighths, recognise common equivalent fractions, make connections between fractions and decimal notations.



#### Measurement & Geometry

- Using grid references and compass directions.
- Angles – comparing and classifying angles, exploring angles in everyday situations.
- Solve problems involving time duration.

#### Statistic and Probability

- Interpret and compare data displays.
- Revision of all concepts taught in previous semesters.

### English:

- Reading - The focus continues to be on reading comprehension strategies – especially around inference.
- Writing – students choose a subject they are passionate about and must submit a - Narrative, Report, Procedural and Persuasive piece of writing. Focus will be on use of paragraphs, sentence structure, appropriate vocabulary, correct punctuation and grammar as well as proof reading and editing skills.
- Spelling – homophones, silent letters, prefixes, suffixes and personal spelling lists.
- Speaking & Listening – students will be assessed on the presentation of their Inquiry units, Reader's Theatre groups and their contribution to class and group discussions.



### Berry Street Education Model:

- Students will focus on Emotional Literacy: identifying both negative and positive emotions and choosing appropriate strategies to address them.

### Physical Education with Mr Perez

In Term 4, students will again participate in Summer Interschool Sports in Rounders, Kanga Cricket, Cricket and Bat Tennis. These sports will be learnt in depth, focussing on gameplay rules, tactics and teamwork. Fitness components will be revisited, before testing occurs for students to compare their results from the start of the semester.

## **STEM with Mr Perez**

Students will focus on 'Earth and Space', identifying the movements of earth, why this occurs and how this affects other elements such as weather systems. The earth itself will be dissected to highlight its layers and changes over time, with context around its place and comparison to other components such as the sun, moon, planets and 'stars'.

## **Visual Arts with Mrs Totta**

The students will spend Term 4 working on pieces based around the theme of Printing, Threads and Textiles. The students will also spend much of the term preparing for the art exhibition at our end of year celebration. It will be an exciting term in the Art Room!

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