

Welcome back to Term 3!

This Term brings some exciting events which will deeply enrich our classroom learning. The children have returned to school motivated and settled back into class routines, eager and ready for what lies ahead over the next ten weeks.

During the morning **Literacy** block, daily guided reading sessions will be targeting skills to promote progress with early reading. While each student has a different level of 'readiness' for reading, groups are structured to encourage participation, peer engagement and intervention for students with Teacher/SSO support. Keep up the great 'at home' reading and sight words practise.

The children will continue to be supported with independent writing, with a strong focus on when to use capital letters and full stops and how to create interesting sentences. I have been so pleased with the steady progress with writing so far and look forward to continued growth. We will also be revising the groups of Jolly Phonics sounds as our spelling focus. Again, this will include chopping and building words, making sentences and linking this to reading.

In **Mathematics**, we will finish 2D/3D shapes and patterning early this term. The children really enjoyed these two topic areas at the end of term 2 as they are very 'hands-on' topic areas. We will start looking at measurement, making comparisons, directions and positioning. The children will practise using descriptive/comparative language – linking the learning in Literacy and Mathematics.

To link with Mathematics learning, the children will be looking at mapping and using directions in our **Geography** lessons. We will explore the different types of directional language (above/below, on/under, etc) and look at and explore creating a variety of maps.

I will be working with the children on a co-ordination focus during health lessons, complementing the **Child Protection** body awareness topic area.

Physical Education lessons with Mr A will now be on Monday after lunch. He will work with students on movement skills such as tumbling, kicking, jumping, balancing and hopping.

Miss Robyn will be working with the class on Thursdays for **Chinese Culture**, learning about festivals, folk tales and food.

In **Music**, Miss Ruth will be focussing on music and dances from different cultures around the world.

What's happening in Term 3?

- **Pupil Free Day - Friday 4th August**
- **Week 3 - Author Phil Cummings** – Visit to Ingle Farm Primary School
- **Week 4 – Science Week**
- **Week 5 - Book Week** (14th- 18th August) – opportunities for families to be involved in classroom activities, whole school dress-up day
- **Week 6 – National Literacy and Numeracy Week**
- **Week 6** (Tuesday 29th August) Room 7 and Room 8, [excursion to the Adelaide Zoo](#).
- **Pupil Free Day – Friday 4th September**



More information regarding the excursion and upcoming events will be available closer to date. Please continue to check reader folders and Class Dojo for information.

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