

5/6 Term 3 Newsletter, 2025



Message from the classroom

Welcome back to all our families! We've had a fantastic start to the term, with students returning full of energy, bright smiles, and a strong eagerness to learn. We took time to revisit classroom routines and explored our school values, discussing what they look like in action within the classroom.

STEM

Students will be learning about the effect aerodynamics has on moving objects (airplanes and rockets). They will be looking at why these objects are shaped in the specific way they are and use this knowledge to help design their own rocket out of recycled materials.

Italian

In Italian, we have been learning about grammar rules such as the definite articles (like *il, la, lo*) and indefinite articles (like *un, una*). We've also been practising regular verbs that end in *-are, -ere, and -ire*. Students revised common greetings like *ciao* and *buongiorno*, and went over l'alfabeto italiano to help with pronunciation. We also practised counting and using numbers up to 100 in Italian.

PE

This term, students will be developing their skills in preparation for upcoming sporting events beginning this Friday, 2nd May. They will be participating in volleyball, netball and soccer practice.

Reminders

- Make sure you are signing into Compass to get the latest school updates, communicate to the school community, mark students absent, etc.
- Keep up to date with all the activities in our classrooms by checking in on Seesaw.
- All children need to comply with our school uniform policy.

Visual Art

In Art, our students will learn about pop artist 'Andy Warhol' and create a painting of a famous person in his style. They will design and make a sculpture of a famous person.

Important Dates

Wednesday 13 August: Hot Food Lunch Order Day

Friday 22 August: Book Week 2025

Friday 29 August: Hoop Time

Wednesday September 3: Father's Day/Special Person's Stall

Wednesday September 17: Wear Your Colours Day

Friday 19 September: End of Term 3

In Our Classrooms



Reading

In Reading, students will explore explanation texts. They will explore concepts of synthesising (combining what they already know with new information they're learning to form a new, deeper understanding), analysing and critiquing. Through the use of explanation texts, students will make predictions and continue to ask questions.

Maths

In Term 3 Maths, we're focusing on Multiplication using our Top Ten resources. We'll use hands-on tools like MAB blocks to help show their thinking and understanding. For warm-ups, students continue number talks where students can explain their thinking and share different strategies.

SEL

This term in SEL, students are developing strategies to identify when they need support. They will learn how to understand and work through problems and explore ways to support their peers. Students will learn about qualities of a good friend and continue to use their ready to learn scales during lessons to work on individual calming strategies.

Writing

This term, students will be creating explanation texts. They will revisit the structure and key features of a scientific explanation text before planning, researching, and composing their own reports. The emphasis will be on using technical vocabulary, explaining the process or phenomenon in chronological order, action verbs and formal language.

ICT

In ICT, students will use the Cyber Safety Project website to learn how to stay safe online. They will learn how to protect their personal information, talk safely online, spot online dangers, and know what to do if something doesn't feel right through fun activities and discussions. This unit will help students become safe, respectful, and responsible online users.