

WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 3/4 ?

WELCOME

Welcome back to Wandin North Primary School in 2020 and we hope you all had a happy, healthy and safe holiday period. The Grade 3's and 4's have settled into routine so quickly and should be commended for their work ethic and organisational skills.

We also welcome 2 new students to Wandin North. Jacob and Taylie are in 3/4A and it's like they have been here forever. Remember to say "hi" and get to know them in the playground.

Footy Day

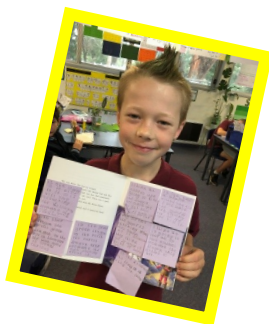
Wow! What a day. Collingwood supporters were spoilt with three players coming to the school to show us their skills and teach us some new ones. Will Hoskin-Elliot and Chris Mayne led the session and had the students engaged and enthusiastic the whole time. The teachers were amazed by our students willingness to give things a go and their 'Growth Mindset' during the workshop. Check out our skills:



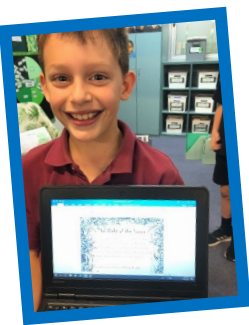
Literacy

We have begun the year by revising, reviewing and adding to our knowledge of the Readers and Writers Workshops. It is amazing how much the students have retained and it has been wonderful seeing the students extending themselves.

In Reading we have reviewed the comprehension strategies Metacognition, Schema, Inferring, and Questioning using mentor texts.



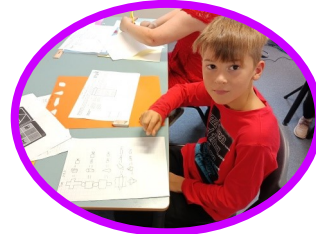
In Writing we have reviewed all of the Writing Traits including Ideas, Organisation, Voice, Word choice, Sentence Fluency, Conventions and Presentation.



Maths

We have started 2020 in a whirlwind of Mathematical wonder. Students have thrived in 'number talks' where they use ONLY their mental strategies to work out answers. The varied strategies that they use and can explain blows us away each and every day.

We have covered a lot already this term. We have reviewed place value, addition, subtraction and are now working on shape. Students are enjoying exploring shape, especially challenging their spatial awareness skills to match 3D objects with some very complicated nets.



CFA Day

We are so immensely proud of our students who have gone above and beyond to raise money for the bushfire victims. It warms our hearts to see how much our students care for our country and all its inhabitants.



Spelling Program

Have you been wondering where we get the students spelling words from? They have 5 places in which they get them. Firstly, incorrect words from the previous week. Secondly, Magic Words that they still need to work on. Thirdly, 'back of book' words, given to the students during writing conferences. Fourthly, 'list words' based on the spelling pattern we are working on in class. Finally, SWST words— words based around the needs of your child.

Important Dates

6th of March—Curriculum Day— NO STUDENTS
9th of March—Labour Day public holiday
20th of March—Botanical Gardens excursion
25th of March— Twilight Sports

PLEASE REMEMBER: When completing reading at home it is very important to discuss the book with your child to check for understanding and to develop their comprehension skills.