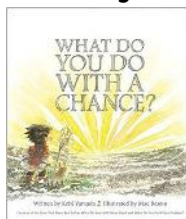


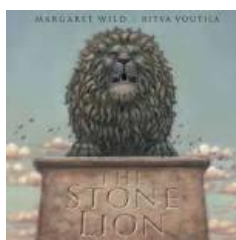
What's on in 3/4?

Welcome to 3/4 2021! We have had a fabulous start to the year and it has been wonderful to see students settling into their classrooms, reconnecting with their peers and aiming high!

Reading



To begin the year, we have been revising and learning about all of our reading strategies while investigating the text 'What do you do with a chance?'. This has been a great text which has led to some wonderful conversations about having a Growth Mindset. This week we will begin studying the book 'The Stone Lion' by Margaret Wild. This is a book with a powerful message and we have been looking forward to sharing this book with the students all Term! Students are working towards their personalised reading goals and it has been great to see the students developing their abilities to show and explain their thinking.



Writing

We began the year by revising the Writer's Traits and setting up our classroom community of writers. Students have been learning about different ways to plan narratives and they have been drafting their creative stories. We have worked on grabbing the reader's attention with bold beginnings and explored how to organise narratives using paragraphs. Students have been using their narrative rubrics to develop goals with their teacher to help them improve their writing skills.

Numeracy



We have covered many concepts this Term, but playing Chance games has been the biggest hit! Students have loved using their chance knowledge to compete against their peers, as well as the teachers! We have worked on place value and students learnt more about addition and subtraction. In the upcoming weeks we are exploring fractions; involving the children in cooking at home is a great way to reinforce and develop concepts learnt at school!

Inquiry



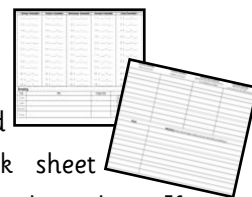
In our inquiry unit, 'First Contact', we have been travelling back in time to the First Fleet and learning about what life was like for Indigenous Australians and the convicts. Students have thoroughly enjoyed exploring different Dreamtime stories and are gaining a growing understanding of different language groups. We explored the size of the ships from the First Fleet and have begun to investigate what it was like for the convicts on the First Fleet.

Google Classrooms

All students now have their Google Classroom login. We have begun to work with this more within the classroom and are very proud of the Grade 4s for their mentorship and the Grade 3s for their concentration and persistence!

Homework

Students will now be up to their third week of homework. The homework sheet consists of: Spelling, maths facts and reading. If your child is not bringing home their homework sheet or do not have Good Fit Books to read, please contact your class teacher via Compass.



Camp



We are all very excited about Camp Oasis but we know that this can also be a worrying time for students, especially if it is their first time away from home. We will be holding an information session **Thursday 11th March at 3.40pm** in 3/4B. If your child is feeling anxious about camp, please speak to your classroom teacher so we can assist in guiding and helping them to feel more comfortable.

Important Dates

Free dress day for Harvest Market: Friday 5th March
Harvest Market set up: Saturday 20th March 12pm onwards
Harvest Market: Sunday 21st March
Free dress day: Friday 26th March
Camp Oasis: Monday 29th (9.30 drop off) - Wednesday 31st March (strictly 2pm pick up)
Last day of Term: Thursday 1st April 2.30pm dismissal