

# WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 3/4 ?

## Just where has the year gone...?

We have loved being back in the classroom with the students. It has been an absolute delight seeing all of those lovely Grade 3/4 faces in person.

We would like to take this chance to say a big thank you to all of our Grade 3/4 Families. We have loved working with you throughout 2021 and cannot thank you enough for your support, help, patience and hard work. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a well-deserved break. We look forward to seeing you all in 2022.

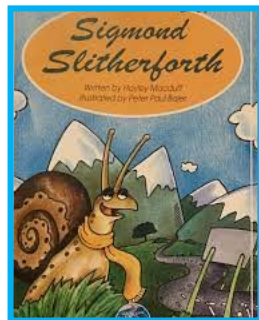
The 3/4 Team

## Literacy

We kicked off our Term 4 Literacy unit by studying poetry using the texts, *Sigmond Slitherforth* by Hayley MacDuff and Rosie Revere, Engineer by Andrea Beaty. The students learnt about topics such as, different poetry structures, the importance of word choice and how authors use poetry to share a message.

We have recently completed a unit on persuasive writing and studied the Greenpeace article, 'What if we treated the oceans like they matter?'. It has been a wonderful article to analyse and the students have explored how an author creates a convincing persuasive piece of writing. Students have worked on identifying the author's purpose in various texts and inferred the feelings the author wanted the reader to experience.

In the last three weeks of Term, we are investigating letters. Students will be writing a letter to their future teacher to tell them about all of their amazing qualities and to express how they are feeling about 2022.



## Sports Day



We know the students were disappointed to hear that Orienteering was cancelled but the sports day definitely made up for it!

With a range of activities, the students (and teachers!) had a ball. Students needed to use

team work, communication and had lots of laughs while completing the activities throughout the morning.

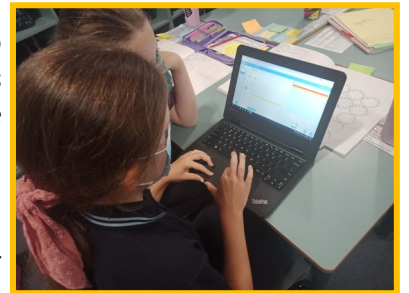


## Maths



This Term we have covered a variety of units including, number patterns, angles and time. In the last two weeks of school we will be investigating money. Time can be a challenging concept and we encourage students to continue

to practise their knowledge and skills outside of the classroom, including using a calendar to keep track of important dates and using an analogue clock.



## Mappen

It is fair to say that our current Inquiry unit could be the students' favourite! We have been learning about problem solving and coding through the program, Scratch. Students have been creating games, stories and animations through the use of block codes. We have all been very impressed with their computer skills!



## Jump Rope for Heart

With a sunny morning, enthusiasm and lots of energy the students enjoyed their 'jump off' day. It was

fantastic to see students persevering and encouraging each other

**Holidays:** We hope the students to relax and recharge over the holidays after a very big year! We encourage them to continue to read over the holidays regularly and to practise their maths skills in everyday life, such as time, money and number facts.

## Important Dates

- *Tuesday 7th December— Family picnic & awards ceremony*
- *Thursday 9th December—Ice cream truck visit & Matilda movie*
- *Wednesday 15th December—Meet the teacher and class parties (no shared food please, just a party lunchbox)*
- *Friday 17th December—Last day of Term, 1.30pm dismissal*