

3B Newsletter

Term 1 2022

Welcome to Term 1!

We have had a fantastic start to the school term. Everyone arrived with big smiles on their faces and appeared excited to be back at school. They have quickly settled into the classroom routines and are working with enthusiasm. This year the class will be taught by Debbie Banks (M, T – PM, W, Th, F) and Sam Gerry (T- AM). We work closely together to ensure that all classroom rules, routines and expectations are consistent. We encourage open communication between home and school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us via email.

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Specialist Timetable

Tuesday

Music: 11:40 – 12:20pm

Wednesday

PE: 10:20 – 11:00 am (Swimming lessons begin Week 2 – 16 Feb)

Thursday

Technology: 9:40 – 10:20am

Library: 11:40 – 12:20pm

Assembly

Monday: 2:30 – 3pm

Curriculum

English

Unit 1 – Analysing and creating persuasive texts

Unit 2 Investigating characters

- Lessons in text structure, punctuation, sentence structure, grammar, spelling including Sound Waves and handwriting.
- Weekly BIG Write sessions and VCOP lessons (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation)
- Rally Readers with a focus on decoding and comprehending texts
- Personalised reading and writing goals

Mathematics

- Various concepts will be covered across the following strands: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, Statistics and Probability.
- Number Facts and problem solving focus.

Science

- Unit 1 – Is it Living? Students investigate grouping living things based on observable features.

HASS

- Unit 1 - Our Unique Communities – Students investigate celebrations, commemorations and community diversity

Health

- Unit 1 – Good Friends.

Technologies

- Weekly Specialist lesson with Mrs Connor – this semester the students will be working with Digital Technologies – ‘Scratch’ coding program.

Important Information

School Hours: 8:45am- 3pm
Office Hours: 8:30am-3:30pm
Office – 3821 8111
Absence Line – 3821 8181

Homework

A letter explaining homework for this year will be sent home separately. Homework is **due in on Thursdays** and **sent home on Fridays**.

Students are encouraged to read at home every night. Please complete the reading log in the Homework booklet.

Reading folders/satchels – Please help your child to remember that these folders need to come to school every day. This ensures that all notes and library books etc. come home neatly as needed.

Date Claimers

School Cross Country – Wednesday 30 March
Last Day of Term 1 – Friday 1 April
Easter Monday – Monday 16 April
First Day of Term 2 – Tuesday 17 April
Prospective Year 3 Camp: 5 & 6 September

General Information

- School begins promptly at 8:45 am. Prior to this students need to sit under A block.
- The roll is completed at 8:50am. If your child arrives late you must go to the office to get a late slip.
- All families are to follow the COVID Plan for school drop off and pick up.
- Student absences – If for any reason your child is going to be away, please ensure you notify the school via the absence line which is 3821 8181. Alternatively you can notify the school via text or Qparents.
- Uniform Shop is open Mondays 8.30am

General Information cont.

- Tuckshop is open Wed-Fri at first lunch only. Place order online – Flexischools
- Connect to Qschools, Facebook and/or the Thornlands State School website for further information, school calendar, events and reminders.
- Brain Break – students are encouraged to bring a water bottle and a fruit or vegetable snack into the classroom each morning.

Class Rewards

Students will be acknowledged for their excellent class behaviour, efforts and positive attitude in 3B with weekly awards, stickers, group points, warm fuzzies, brag tags, vouchers and our class reward day.

Kind regards
Debbie and Sam