

Curriculum Information for Term 3 2025 for Year 3

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3. Please see below the curriculum focus for Term 3 in Year 3. You may wish to use this information to spark conversations with your child regarding what they are learning in school.

In NSW all schools are mandated to teach subjects according to the NSW Education and Standards Authority (NESA) learning areas (subjects). There are six learning areas. [This link gives information to parents about the 6 learning areas](#). Each learning area is weighted differently according to time spent on the subject. In Primary school English is allocated the most time followed by maths. In English all skills are taught daily around texts and writing genres. In other subjects there is often a title to a unit of work to be covered for several weeks or the whole term. As a Catholic school we also teach Religious Education (RE), following the curriculum of the Broken Bay diocese.

Our Religious Education unit this term is 'Call to Holiness' Students will identify, in their experience, people who demonstrate holiness and use their gifts in love and service.



In 2025, we will be continuing to use the new Y3-6 NSW **English** syllabus with a revised lesson structure that highlights the connections between understanding texts and creating texts. The content is structured and sequenced to highlight the connections across **oral language & communication, vocabulary, reading fluency, reading comprehension, creating written texts, spelling, handwriting and digital transcription and understanding and responding to literature**.

During Term 3, the first English unit will be focussing on the topic of **Characterisation** through the novel "Rowan of Rin" by Emily Rodda. The 2nd unit will explore '**Perspective and Context**' as well as the supporting concept of 'theme' through analysis of the texts, "Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes" by Eleanor Coerr and "Malala's Magic Pencil" by Malala Yousafzai.



The new **Maths** syllabus for Years 3 -6 recognises the critical importance of developing an increasingly sophisticated understanding of mathematical concepts, and fluency with mathematical processes, to help students interpret and solve problems. In years 3-6, students:

- develop essential numeracy skills and mathematical fluency, while nurturing the ability to think logically, critically and creatively.
- identify, describe and apply patterns and relationships.
- develop their reasoning and problem-solving skills to solve routine and non-routine problems.
- apply their knowledge and understanding in practical situations and make informed decisions.

Term 3 units of work for maths will include **2D and 3D Spatial Structure, Geometric Angles, Time, Fractions, Multiplicative and Additive Relations, Place-value and Mass**.

Science - Our unit is 'Living Things.' This unit focuses comparing features and characteristics of living and non-living things. Students will also collect data and identify patterns to group living things according to their external features and distinguish them from non-living things.



Creative Arts-

Visual Art This term we will be taking part in the CSBB Religious Creative Arts Competition which this year has the theme of 'Witness and the Holy Spirit'. Additional Visual Art activities will be linked to the other areas of the curriculum such as RE and Science.

Music, Dance and Drama: There will be music lessons led by a specialist music teacher, Mr Wagstaff. Drama and Dance activities are also integrated into daily topics allowing the students to express themselves through movement.



PDHPE-

Our PDH unit this term is titled '**Child Protection**'. In this unit students will identify roles, rights and responsibilities in different relationships, exploring how they can influence theirs and others emotional and social wellbeing. (An additional detailed letter has been emailed to parents via Compass with more information). This unit will be primarily taught by Kathryn McCamey as they have taken the lead in our PDH units this year.

PE -Each week we will have 2 lessons of P.E; "Class Sport" and a P.E. lesson led by our specialist teacher Mrs Frost. This Term Year 3 will have 'Zing Activ' dancing classes during class sport lessons on Tuesdays.

Year 3 weekly routine

Monday - Homework set (even weeks)

Tuesday - Zing Activ (Wear sports uniform)

Thursday- Library -(Please bring your library bag)

Thursday- School assembly-Every 2nd week (even weeks)

Friday - Homework handed in (odd weeks)

Music with Mr Wagstaff

PE with Mrs Frost (Wear sports uniform)

Canteen

Our school canteen is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please order via the app.

Communication

If you wish to contact me, please email chloe.murray2@dbb.catholic.edu.au or call the School Office to arrange an appointment.