



# Manorvale Primary School

## Year 3 - 4 Term 2 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Can you believe we are already well into Term 2, 2021? We continue to power through with our busy term with NAPLAN preparation, Athletics Day, District Cross Country and swimming. Mid-year student reports will be distributed later in the term and will be followed by 3 Way Conferences in the last week of term. More information will be disseminated to families closer to the date.

Just a reminder that we are still very focussed on our goals going forward which is to have happy and healthy kids with a focus on Literacy and Numeracy.

### CURRICULUM:

MATHS	READING	WRITING	SPELLING
This term in Maths we are focusing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fractions</li> <li>- Time</li> <li>- Location</li> <li>- Mass</li> <li>- Multiplication and Division</li> </ul>	This term in Reading we are focusing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question and Questioning</li> <li>- Visualising</li> <li>- Persuasive Features</li> <li>- Inferring</li> <li>- Question-Answer Relationship</li> </ul>	This term in writing we are focusing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Colourful Semantics</li> <li>- Persuasive Text</li> <li>- Explanation Text</li> <li>- Personal Narratives</li> <li>- Handwriting</li> <li>- Punctuation</li> </ul>	This term we will continue to work on identifying the sounds of each letter to allow students to further improve their reading and spelling.

### NAPLAN:

We have been preparing for the upcoming NAPLAN assessments in class. The Grade 3 students will be undertaking the Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy assessment tasks beginning on Tuesday, 11th May until Thursday, 13th May. We will be starting promptly at 9:00am, please ensure students arrive at school on time.

The Grade 4 students have also been exposed to these lessons as they missed out last year due to COVID-19. This will help better prepare them for their assessments in 2022.

We are endeavouring to book incursions and excursions for Term 2 in lieu of the 3-4 Camp being cancelled. Further information will be provided.

**Our Community:** Students have placed their handprint on a poster to celebrate Harmony Week and the range of different cultures that exist within our school community.



**Respectful Relationships:** This term we have been focusing on problem solving strategies to assist students in recognising and regulating the size of problems.

### **INQUIRY:**

This term we have been looking at the unit 'The Blue Marble'. Students are investigating the importance of habitats for plants and animals and encourage us to think and act sustainably when we interact with the environment.

Students will be investigating:

- Life cycles and ecosystems.
- The human impact on the environment.
- Endangered animals and threats that they face.
- Ways which people can help endangered animals.

### **Upcoming Events**

Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> June - Queen's Birthday Day Public Holiday - No school

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> June - Student Free Day

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher via email, phone or at the school fence in the afternoons.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Miss Kociski, Mr Russell, Miss Cole and Miss Johnstone