



Manorvale Primary School

Year 3-4 Team Newsletter Term 1 2021

Dear Families,

Last year was a challenging year for our school community however we have high aspirations for our students this year and have hit the ground running.

This year our team consists of Neil Russell, Renee Kociski, Jody Cole and we welcome Emily Johnstone.

Our goals going forward are to have Happy and Healthy Kids with a focus on Literacy and Numeracy.

CURRICULUM: This term we are focussing on the following areas:

MATHS	READING	WRITING	SPELLING
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Place value- Addition- Subtraction- Odd and even numbers- Counting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Comprehension strategies- Summarising- Genre Studies- Visualising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Colourful Semantics- Narrative Writing Structure- Handwriting- Punctuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Identifying the sounds of each letter to allow students to further improve their reading and spelling.

HARMONY WEEK 15th - 21st March

The students will be participating in a number of whole school events. Please refer to the school newsletter. We will also be creating a large class mural of the student's handprints. This will be displayed in our 3_4 Pod and we will endeavour to post a photo of this in next term's 3_4 Newsletter.

Harmony Day Trivia: Fun Trivia game questions about Australia and all that makes us a cultural hub.

Our Community: Students will be designing their own handprint with illustrations that represent their cultures and families.

CHILDWISE Personal Safety Program: We will be undertaking Childwise lessons that support personal safety and the National Day against Bullying. We will also focus on the following areas:

- **Building team strength through cooperative games**
- **Everyone is Different**
- **My Individuality**

INQUIRY

This term we have been looking at the unit 'First Contact'. Students are investigating the communities of our First Peoples, the First Fleet, and stories of the first contact between European settlers and Australia's First Peoples.

We unfortunately have not been able to organise an incursion/excursion as of yet due to lockdowns and time constraints, but we are working hard at organising a date. This may happen early in term 2.

Upcoming Events

- Labour Day Public Holiday Monday ,8th March
- School Photos Friday, 12th March
- Harmony Week 8th to 12th March
- Harmony Sports Day Friday, 19th March