

# 3/4B News Term 3 2018!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Term 3! We have jumped STRAIGHT into our learning this term, despite the cold weather, and are so proud of the energy and enthusiasm the students have brought back to school with them.

We have a busy term coming up – especially with our school concert on its way – and lots of great learning opportunities to come too, including our focus on the “6+1 Traits of Writing”, which all the students are already learning more about and enjoying.

As always, please feel free to drop in and see me or make an appointment to meet through your child’s purple folder.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Erin Beissel**



Please remember to bring a **BOX OF TISSUES** to share with your class this term – we need them!!

## Important Dates for Term 3

*Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August*  
Caulfield South P.S. students visit Clarinda

*Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August*  
Book Week Rotations

*Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August*  
Concert Rehearsal at school



*Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August*  
Day: Rehearsal at Robert Blackwood Hall  
Evening: School Concert at Robert Blackwood Hall

*Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September*  
Zaidee’s Rainbow Foundation Incursion

*Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September*  
Grade 3 Sleepover

*Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September*  
Last Day of Term 3  
2:30pm dismissal

**SCHOOL CONCERT**

**“Roll the Dice”  
August 30<sup>th</sup> 2018**

We are currently working hard, learning and practising our dances and songs for the upcoming school concert. Keep your eyes open for information about how to buy tickets, and what costumes need to be provided.

## Rotations Term 3

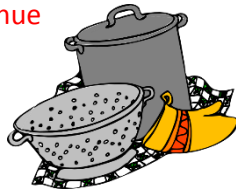
**Science** – Our Biology Science Unit for Term 3 is 'Friend and Foe'. Students will learn about the life cycle of some plants and insects, and explore the important part insects such as bees and ants play in pollination and seed dispersion.



**Geography** – In Term 3 students will be exploring what makes Australia "unique". We will be looking at both natural features and culture. We will be mapping the states, territories and main landmarks.



**Mindfulness** – Throughout Term 3 our students will have the opportunity to expand their cooking and gardening skills. They will also begin to practise and write guided mindfulness sessions to present to their peers. **A reminder that we ask all children to bring \$2.00 to contribute to the cost of our cooking lessons as soon as possible. If you have not yet brought your money for Terms 1 and 2 please do so now! We will be unable to continue providing cooking as part of our Rotations if we cannot cover our costs.**



**Cybersafety** – As part of their Rotations this term students will explore important issues of cyber safety and cyber bullying. They will discuss, research and present ways they can stay safe online.



## HOMEWORK

The suggestion in Grade 3/4 is for all students to complete homework each night. In Term 2, students will complete the following:

**Maths** – students will continue to receive a weekly Maths homework sheet, focussing on quick recall of simple number facts. The focus of these questions is recall and speed. **This term we will continue learning the times table facts. All children will benefit strongly from being able to recall multiplication facts up to 10 x 10 by the time they complete Grade 4.**

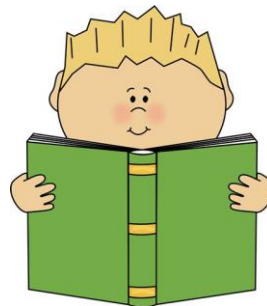
**Word Study** – students will complete one activity per week to reinforce the sound or rule they are learning in our Word Study groups.

**Reading** – students will be asked to read every night, and record it in the reading log inside their Reader Cover. Students are welcome to read books from the class *Take Home Reader boxes*, but they are also welcome to read and record other books – it's a great idea to visit your local library so that your child can choose some exciting new books to read!

**Tips for helping with reading** – *allow your child to read silently to themselves (this takes away the pressure of reading aloud!) then ask them to retell the key information or parts from the story they have just read. You can also ask more specific questions to help build comprehension (understanding) including questions such as "How is the character feeling? How do you know?"*

### 3/4B Specialist Timetable

<b>Monday</b>	Assembly
<b>Tuesday</b>	Concert rehearsal
<b>Wednesday</b>	P.E. Library
<b>Thursday</b>	Greek Music
<b>Friday</b>	STEM Art



The **Premiers Reading Challenge** is still on! If you are registered don't forget to keep logging your books online!!

*Remember: a student who reads 20 minutes per day will have read for 3,600 minutes in the school year!!*

# Term 2 Highlights

