



GRADE 3 NEWSLETTER

Term 1, 2020

Term 1 - Middle School at LPPS!

Our team for 2020 is:

Class	Teachers
322	Cleo Georgakopoulos
323	Joanne Smith
324	Merilyn Thompson
325	Kristen Whitehead-Bell
ART	Melissa Hamilton / Kellie Rose
PE	Sue Burt / Franca Peluso
MUSIC	Di Pendlebury
LOTE	Alena Schneider
PERFORMING ARTS	Jenny Barnett

Welcome to Term 1, 2020. We are looking forward to a positive year ahead, getting to know the Grade Three children and helping them to achieve their individual potential. Our program is tailored for each child to achieve their best academically, socially and emotionally.

As you are aware, we start our first Swimming Program in Week Five. Anyone who wishes to attend the program needs to have a current Working With Children Check. All children are to come to school in their swimmers with their underwear in their school bag.

Please note the following dates for Year Three school events:

- March 27th Feb, 5th, 19th, 26th Swimming
- March 6 School Photos
- March 9 Labour Day
- March 25 House Sports
- March 28 Last Day Term 1

Year 3 current Specialist Timetable

Class	Specialist	Day
322 Ms Georgakopoulos	PE	Tuesday
	LOTE	Tuesday
	Performing Arts	Tuesday
	Art	Friday
	Music	Friday
323 Ms Smith	Art	Tuesday
	PE	Tuesday
	LOTE	Tuesday
	Performing Arts	Tuesday
	Music	Friday
324 Mrs Thompson	Performing Arts	Tuesday
	Art	Tuesday
	LOTE	Tuesday
	PE	Wednesday
	Music	Friday
325 Mrs Whitehead-Bell	Choir	Friday
	Art	Tuesday
	Performing Arts	Tuesday
	LOTE	Tuesday
	PE	Thursday
	Music	Friday
	Choir	Friday

Communication:

Our primary communication tool is ClassDojo, which can be used for student absence explanations and for teachers to provide relevant information throughout the year. Urgent messages are to be made via a phone call to the office, however, please feel free to message us with non-urgent concerns at any time. Dojo messages will only be answered between 8AM and 5PM.

English:

Our whole school uses a consistent approach to teach Reading, Writing and Spelling. Students will engage in learning CAFÉ strategies, completing Daily 5 activities and understanding spelling patterns and phonics through the SPALDING Program. Our school is

no longer using Reading Eggs. We will advise of a new program as soon as that information is available.

Mathematics:

During Term 1, Year 3 will be covering the following topics:

Number and Algebra: Odd and Even Numbers, Whole Numbers and Place Value to 10 000

Measurement: Length

Wellbeing:

Our whole school THRIVE program is based on positive education and various areas of wellbeing for your child and our school community. The key values are: Enjoy Positive Emotions, Be Healthy, Try Your Best, Relate Well, Get Involved and Live Your Values. Our Term 1 focus is Enjoy Positive Emotions.

ICT:

The Year 3 students will be developing their abilities to work independently with various digital technologies and programs. They will be accessing Essential Assessment during ICT sessions and learning how to use various Office programs such as Word and PowerPoint. They will also be learning to correctly save and retrieve their work from folders on the school server and how to independently navigate the internet for relevant research information.

