

TERM 3 OVERVIEW

Mr Huff

Yr 4/5

2018

English

Word Study

Our weekly 'Words Their Way' program will continue to focus on spelling accuracy, word meanings and how different languages and letter patterns influence the spelling of words.

Writing

Our main focus will be on developing our understanding of the expected language and structural features used in written informative texts. Re-reading and editing skills for both their own work and work by others will continue to be a point of emphasis.

Reading and Comprehension

As a class we will investigate the difference between literal and inferential comprehension and how the hidden clues in texts can provide extra information that isn't stated explicitly.

The students will complete the Premier's Reading Challenge this term and have regular visits to the library.

Science

With Mr Strevens.

Mathematics

We will focus the start of the term on statistics and chance/probability. The students will order events from least likely to most likely to occur. The students will also list possible outcomes from chance events, and represent these outcomes using fractions. They will demonstrate their understanding as they design and construct their own circus sideshow. We will also record the results, exploring different ways to represent and interpret data from the side shows. Homework will include regular practice using flash cards to improve our fluency with number facts.

Humanities and Social Sciences

The students will choose a famous international circus to research from a North American country. The main project will focus on the key question of, 'How has a circus changed over time'? Similarities and differences between circus acts, prices, attractions and challenges will be explored in the form of an information report using ICT to present the information to the class.

The Arts

Drama will be a focus in the Arts this term. We will work with our fellow Year 4/5 classes and R/1 buddy classes to plan, prepare and perform a circus performance in Week 10. The students will get to choose what aspect of the show they would like to participate in and prepare thoroughly to ensure our audience will be entertained.

Year 5s will also continue to have the opportunity to participate in the school choir organised by Mrs Cottle on Wednesdays with the Festival of Music taking place later in the term.

PE and Health

The Yr 4/5 camp is a Highlight this term. It will be held on September 10th / 11th at Nunyara, Belair. The focus will be on working successfully with others as they are faced with challenges including orienteering, tree climbs, water obstacle courses, low ropes, hiking and shelter building.

Regular PE lessons with Mr Reeves where the focus will be on target sports. Added to this, extra curricula opportunities will be available such as Spikezone volleyball.

Using Play Is The Way, the students will continue to develop their skills at working effectively in groups and teams through regular game based challenges and 'life raft' activities.

STEM / Design and Technology

The major task for this term in STEM will involve the students designing and constructing their own Ferris Wheel.

In Design and Technology the students will also construct a scene from a famous international circus with the added challenge of including moving parts.

French

With Claudine Deneuve.