



W21 NEWSLETTER – TERM 3

<http://mawsonlakesw21.weebly.com>

Term Dates

7/8 and 8/8

Japanese student visit

19/8 – 23/8 (Week 5)

Book Week

30/8

School Closure Day

2/9 – 13/9 (Week 7 and 8)

Swimming

20/9

Sports Day

25/9

**Grandparents Special
Visitors Day**

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 3. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of the learning planned for this term. As the teaching and learning cycle develops, some planning may change depending on the needs of the students. Keep an eye out on School Newsletters for whole school updated information.

ENGLISH

This term our text type focus is Review/Response writing and Historical Recount writing. Students will be learning to write for a range of audiences, focusing on reviewing and responding in the correct tense. Students will continue to participate in Book Club where they choose a book to read, explore and share with others. During guided reading, students will be focusing on the different reading strategies by following the Big 6 components of reading (comprehension, vocabulary, fluency, phonics, phonological awareness and oral language).

Other Curriculum Areas

PE and Health

Wednesday's 12 pm and

Friday's 1.30pm

The Arts

Tuesday's 11.15am

Japanese

Monday's 1.30pm and

Thursday's 10.10am

MATHEMATICS

This term in mathematics we will continue to focus our knowledge of mental computation skills and the concepts of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Students will recognise that the place value system can be extended beyond hundredths. They will learn to order decimals and unit fractions and locate them on a number line. They will practice adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator. Students will continue patterns by adding and subtracting fractions and decimals. This will be done through different learning experiences and investigations, which will be differentiated to cater for all child's needs. W21 will also be incorporating and developing their problem-solving skills and reasoning skills throughout mathematics.



SCIENCE

In science we will be focusing on Chemical Sciences by looking at solids, liquids and gases and comparing how they have different observable properties therefore behave in different ways. Students will pose questions for investigation and predict the effect of changing variables when planning an investigation.

HASS

In HASS we will be looking at Geography and in particular, the impacts on the environment. We will explore the countries within the continents of Europe and North America and explore some of the manmade changes to their environments. Students will also explore natural disasters and how to prepare for these.

TECHNOLOGIES

Students will continue to use coding and programming to create their own games and animations using Scratch.

CHILD PROTECTIVE CURRICULUM

As mandated by the Department of Education and Child Development (DECD), classroom teachers will teach the Child Protection Curriculum. This term, students will be participating in activities exploring the third focus area: Recognising and Reporting Abuse. They will be looking at the following topics: Privacy and the names of parts of the body, recognising abuse, neglect and unsafe secrets, and internet, telephone and media safety.

Any questions or concerns, please contact me at:

felicia.papadimitriou867@schools.sa.edu.au

Kind Regards,

Felicia Papadimitriou