



YEAR 5 TERM 3 OVERVIEW 2024

Welcome back and a big hello to term 3! We hope your children have enjoyed the break and are ready and raring to go as we finally get back into some warmer weather.

ENGLISH

New term, new text! This term the class novel is *Tom Appleby, Convict Boy* by Jackie French, the story of an English chimney sweep, who becomes a convict... and eventually a pioneer. Jackie French weaves Tom's story in with the history of Australia's development. Reading lessons will explore the text using the Super 6 Strategies for reading comprehension, where students actively use the pillars of Predicting, Visualising, Making Connections, Questioning, Monitoring and Summarising to delve deeply into the novel's themes and purpose.

During writing we will continue to develop our use of literary devices to create information texts; skills which will then be integrated into our Science and History units. Lastly, differentiated spelling groups will continue to take place first thing in the morning from Monday to Thursday each week. Starting this term, Chapman will be using a whole school Word Reading and Spelling program called PhOrMeS. This is an evidence-informed kindergarten to year 6 decoding and spelling program which can be taught at the whole classroom or intervention level. PhOrMeS stands for Phonology, Orthography, Morphology, Etymology and Semantics.

MATHS

We will start the term deep diving into decimals by comparing, ordering and representing them on number lines. We will continue to build upon problem solving skills, exploring a variety of strategies such as partitioning, compensation and algorithms. Students will explore measurement including area and perimeter of different shapes and calculating the cost of covering an area per square metre. Finally we will write, plot and draw coordinates and shapes on a Cartesian plane.

GEOGRAPHY

Students will investigate how people change the natural environment in Australia and other places around the world. They will locate the major countries of North America and Europe and investigate their major characteristics including the influence of people on the environmental characteristics of places. Additionally, they will examine how people, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, have influenced the country's environmental characteristics.

SCIENCE

Students will learn that solids, liquids and gases have different observable properties and behave in different ways (Chemistry). They will explore and learn the properties of each matter and identify using their knowledge to determine if powder is a solid or liquid. Students will plan and conduct experiments to investigate air as a gas to find out if it takes up space and discover how changing temperature affects the volume of a gas.

THE ARTS

This term we will continue to enjoy creating visual arts based on the learning and themes of our English and History units. We are also very excited to be diving into the world of dance and learning different genres from across the decades.

LIBRARY

Students will have the opportunity to return and borrow from the library weekly on Friday afternoons.

MUSIC AND BAND

During term 3, we will consolidate our ukulele playing, revising our five chords – C, F, G7, C7, and A minor, and introducing G. Many known songs will be accompanied by our playing. Recorder playing is a great tool to teach musical literacy, and the children are beginning to realise that they can read more complex music! This term, we will learn tunes in two and three parts using 10 notes, while reading other musical symbols and rhythms.

Year 5 band continues this term on Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon. Students are encouraged to practise for 10 minutes each day. We will come together with Arawang Primary for the term 3 Combined Band rehearsal on Monday 16 September. This will take place at Chapman Primary School.

INDONESIAN

Students will be learning language around buying items, with a focus on vegetables and fruits. They will learn how to say what they want to buy, as well as asking about the prices of goods. They will also compare and contrast the price of items in Australia and Indonesia. Students will use subject-focus construction with formulaic me- verbs (such as membeli- to buy).

STEM

5AQ will be learning about what it means to be a digital citizen. They will be identifying appropriate ways to communicate online. They will be working collaboratively to build an interactive slide for younger students to teach them how to be safe online.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH

During term 3, year 5 will demonstrate fair play and skills to work collaboratively in a variety of game situations. Students will refine the fundamental movement skills of dodging, passing, catching, and throwing by playing Indigenous games using modern-day equipment. They will also be required to perform specialised movement sequences in-game situations. Students will participate in basketball lessons throughout the term.

PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

If you wish to discuss your child's progress please ring or email the school front office to arrange a time to talk about any matters that may concern you about your child's learning. Before school is an important preparation time for teachers but we are happy to make appointments with you.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3

Week 3	5-30 August (dates to be confirmed)	ICAS Assessment
Week 4	Friday 16 August	Year 5 Assembly
Week 5	Monday 19 - Friday 23 August	Book Week
Week 5	Tuesday 20 - Friday 23 August	Book Fair
Week 6	Friday 30 August	P&C Father's Day BBQ Breakfast
Week 7	Friday 6 September 8:15 am-9:30 am	Learning Journey
Week 8	Friday 13 September	P&C Disco
Week 9	Monday 16 September	Year 5 Combined Band Practice at Chapman
Week 9	Friday 20 September	CEIS (permission to be given to front office)
Week 10	Friday 27 September	Last day of term

We look forward to a great term,

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