



## ***Stage 2 Newsletter Term 3***

Dear Parents and Carers,

Semester One was busy and full of wonderful learning experiences. Term 3 is also sure to be an exciting and engaging time for our students! Parents, as always please keep your eye out for notes coming home and notifications on the School Bytes Parent Portal.

### **Curriculum focus areas**

In Term 3, the students will be engaging with the Geography Unit 'Places are Similar and Different'. This unit focuses on natural and human features of Australia and the diverse characteristics of Australia's neighbouring countries. The students will explore the different climates, settlement patterns and demographic characteristics of places and use this information to imagine what it would be like to live in different places. The students will engage with daily spelling, guided reading and writing with a focus on persuasive text features. Reading fluency and a focus on sentence structure will also form a key component of English programs. Daily writing practice will also take place with journal writing. Mathematics will incorporate daily problem solving in the form of a 'Question of the Day' with a focus on a series of specific strategies. In creative and performing arts, the students will engage in visual arts and music lessons and will learn about understanding changes in their weekly PDHPE sessions. All students will engage in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) lessons throughout Term 3. The STEM lessons focus on creativity, critical thinking, teamwork and ingenuity.

### **Sport**

The Winter PSSA competition will continue on Fridays throughout Term 3. Those who were successful in gaining a place on a team will participate in sport each Friday between 11:00 – 1:15pm for the first half of Term 3, then the Summer competition will recommence. All other students will participate in school-based sport and other rotating club activities during the same time period.

### **Athletics Carnival**

We are looking forward a fantastic Athletics Carnival on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July**. Details will be sent home early in Term 3. *Parents, please note that all permission and payments must be provided using the School Bytes parent portal.*

### **EDUCATION WEEK**

In Term 3, Week 3 we will be celebrating Education Week. More details will be sent home soon.

Warm regards,

*Mr Marshall (Stage 2 Assistant Principal), Miss Krause, Mr Griffiths, Miss Richardson, Mrs Bargri, Mrs Martin, Miss San Jose, Mrs Stammers, Miss Foran, Mrs Carney, Mrs Marquez, Miss Debba*