

### English

Throughout this unit, students will be reading the quest novel 'Rowan of Rin' to learn about the various language features and how to analyse a text. At the end of the term, students will be asked to write a short response explaining how the author represents the main character in an important event in the quest novel. They will also be participating in online discussions and sharing their opinions with each other.



### Mathematics

During Maths this term, we will focus on building skills around the understanding of time, mapping conventions, reading maps and interpreting grid references. Students will also continue practising their multiplication and dividing strategies, learning to compare measurements, and using instruments to measure capacity and mass.



### Science & HASS

(Humanities and Social Sciences)  
This unit combines Science and HASS by exploring living creatures and their habitats. Students will learn about Africa and South America; their location in the world, landscapes, annual rainfall, environmental factor; and the diversity of the animals that live there. Their learning will occur both in the classroom and out. Students will have an exciting excursion to the Australia Zoo to discover first hand the animals from Africa and South America. They will investigate the lifecycles of a variety of animals and also the relationships between living things and their environment.

### Health and Physical Education

#### Physical Education

In PE this term, students will be refining the fundamental movement skills required to play Newcombe ball and tennis; these include throwing, catching, footwork and striking the ball. Students will be required to demonstrate fair play and the ability to work collaboratively.



### Digital Technology

In this unit, students will explore and use a range of digital systems including peripheral devices and create a digital interactive guessing game using Scratch.

### Music

In this unit, students will make and respond to music by exploring the ways that characters from film, television and media are portrayed musically. This includes theme songs, sound effects and soundscapes that represent characters from television, film and media.

### iPads

During Term 3, students will be relying heavily on the use of their iPads in all subjects. Please ensure your child's iPad is charged every night and brought to school every morning. This device has become an essential part of their learning and must be kept up to date and in good working order. iPads are to remain in bags before and after school and will remain in a locked cupboard when not in use.

### Homework

#### Home reading

In Year 4, we would like students to prioritise reading every day at home. Your child will bring home two readers each week. Alternatively, your child is more than welcome to read other books from home or the Junior Campus library.

#### Spelling

Your child will bring home a list of spelling words each week. These will also be posted on Seesaw. Students are encouraged to practise spelling these words in any way they find effective. This could be typing, writing, spelling out loud, look/say/cover/write/check etc.

#### Multiplication facts

Your child will have a focus on multiplication and division facts every week. This term's focus is to improve proficiency, accuracy and speed in recalling their number facts.

### Seesaw

In addition to whole of school communication, which is generally through letters and email, day to day classroom communication will occur through Seesaw. Seesaw allows your child's classwork to be shared in the form of a digital student portfolio. All students will be provided access to Seesaw and will be regularly posting their classwork. Students with iPads will also have the opportunity to complete homework tasks via Seesaw.

Seesaw allows up to 10 family members to have access to their child's account. Families will only have access to their own child's account and access will need to be approved by the classroom teacher. Seesaw for Families can be accessed on Android and Apple devices, as well as on computers via a web browser.

If you require a login, please get in touch with us.

## Save the dates

- Celebration assemblies – 9am Friday (Weeks 3,5,7 & 9)
- Life Education Van – Week 2
- Student progress interviews – 3 August
- District Track and Field – 5 August
- Australia Zoo Excursion – 12 August
- Book Week and Book Fair – 16 - 20 August
- P&C Fathers Day stall – 2 September
- Student free day – 3 September
- Land Surf Carnival and end of term – 17 September