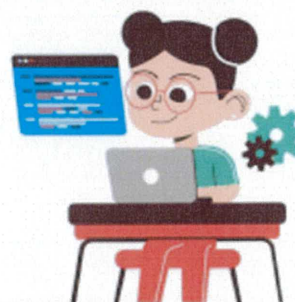


Harcourt Valley Primary School Curriculum Overview

Term 2 2023 Grade 3.4 Digital Technologies Mr Walter



Year Level: 3/4

Date: Term 2, 2024

Teaching Staff:

Ben Walter (Classroom)

Literacy Activities: Daily

Writing

- Narratives
- Persuasive
- letters

Reading

- CAFÉ reading strategies
- Guided reading,
- Reading activities

Spelling

- SMART spelling

Maths Activities: Daily

In Grade 3 and 4 Mathematics, students engage in foundational arithmetic operations while exploring geometric concepts, measurement, and data analysis. Through hands-on activities and problem-solving challenges, they develop essential mathematical skills and strategies. Emphasizing conceptual understanding alongside procedural fluency, students build confidence in tackling real-world mathematical problems. Collaborative learning experiences foster communication and critical thinking, empowering students to apply mathematical concepts creatively. With a focus on developing a solid mathematical foundation, students are prepared for continued success in their mathematical journey.

Discovery Curriculum: Tuesday

In Levels 3 and 4, students explore digital systems like computers and devices such as microscopes and cameras. They learn to use these tools to collect and understand information. By doing this, they get better at thinking logically and finding solutions to problems. They also practice organizing their thoughts and ideas in writing and drawings. As students progress, they become more skilled at using technology and designing solutions to different problems.

PE (Mrs Stearne on Monday) and Sport (Mr Walter on Friday)

In Term 2, the 3/4 students will be developing their running stamina and how to pace themselves for cross country. They will be participating in 4 basketball sessions with two Bendigo Brave's coaches, where they will be working on their ball handling skills (dribbling, passing, shooting, re-bounding) and agility. Later in the term, students will work on their striking skills, ball control and teamwork through a variety of soccer drills, skills and games.

French – Thursday

This term we continue to explore the story of Marie, a Canadian girl travelling to meet her friend, Pierre. Students will participate in a topic exploring the shapes and colours used by the artist, Henri Matisse and create a simple collage. They will use simple vocabulary and phrases to describe the collages.

Music - Monday

Students in grade 2 / 3 / 4 will be exploring syncopation and basic composition techniques in music. They will experience the 'feel' of syncopation (off beats) in songs, games and instrument playing using familiar and new rhymes and songs. Simple composition techniques such as manipulating some notes in a known melody and using repetitive patterns will be explored using online composing programs.

Art: Thursday

This term students will focus on typeface and the work of typographers. Students will create their own fonts and designs to communicate aspects of themselves through the rendering of their name. Building on this knowledge, students will create a design for an imaginative product packaging, book cover, album cover, business card or poster. To extend student's understanding of how text can be used within art, we will look at the text-based work of contemporary Indigenous artist, Tony Albert. As a class we will collaborate to make an 'Art' sign from collected objects.

Homework

- All homework will be handed out on **Monday**.
- Reading and recording home reading nights **three** times a week and handing in reading diary.
- SMART Spelling – write down chosen words each night and then select a different activity each night to practise these words (**aim for 4 nights per week**). **Library is on Wednesday**.

Contact with the teacher:

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