

# 5/6 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

ALTONA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 3, 2026

## KEY DATES

Kindie start for Grade 5s - 20<sup>th</sup> JULY

NAIDOC Week - 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> JULY

Winter holidays - 27<sup>th</sup> of AUGUST

Last day of Term - 29<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER



## PARENT INFORMATION

Welcome to Term 3. We hope that students have enjoyed a useful break together with their family and friends and are now ready to continue developing as learners. Now that the 5/6 students are preparing for Grade 6 and high school, we strongly advise families that to continue developing their personal time-management skills by using their diaries to keep track of work deadlines and dates for sporting events.

All children are expected to be at the school 8:45am each morning to be ready for the day's lessons. Supporting your children to be ready and on-time each morning will ensure they walk into their learning ready and make the most of their day.

Home reading is a crucial component of your child's weekly tasks, and it is encouraged that you check their reading material and reading log, each night.

Students in 5/6 are also assigned weekly homework tasks that complement their in-class learning and will be checked each Monday morning.

Weekly Zones of Regulation activities continue to develop students' self-regulation practice and encourage positive relationships with each other.

### LEADERSHIP

Throughout Term 3, 5/6 students in leadership positions will be expected to carry out their roles and responsibilities while setting a positive example for their peers. Grade 5 students with aspirations of leadership opportunities in 2027 are encouraged to put their best foot forward in demonstrating their RUMBLE values and show leadership initiative in and out of the classroom.

### SCIENTIFICS / LEISURE DEVELOPMENT

Throughout Term 3 students will continue to explore robotics programs and extend their skills in programming a small device to perform simple tasks. In our 5/6 leadership lessons students will practice implementing their planned activities for the Prep 2 students and reflect on their skills in delivering instructions.

### ALAN

The Term 3 ALAN program aims to continue building on students' spelling literacy and further expanding their vocabulary to apply in both conventional technologies.

Do you ever wish of happy land? There's (HAPPY) - It's a water-based land of work that explores the different states of water and their reactions on a molecular level. The world made up of atoms in different forms that can change and be differently sized and formed. Influences on the Term 3 Inquiry are self-reflection, science, and what about the world around them on a different level.

## INQUIRY

There are questions for the use of water:

What is water and its different forms and properties?

When does it change around?

How do natural and human influences change water?

How do the different forms and properties of water influence our daily lives?

Why is it important to understand what influences the water of a stream?

When and why does water change state?

Thank you, Harry Leach and Jessica Duffy

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## VISUAL ARTS

Grade 5/6 students will continue their journal-work and will be introduced to a unit on graffiti-style writing as well as a Landscape Graffiti Project. They will practise using different fonts and the artistic choices made when selecting colour. Students will use their spare time to work on the pieces of their choice in their Art Folios. Grade 5 and 6 students will improve their ability to talk about their choices and discuss their artistic goals.

Ms Caulfield



## PE

This term, Grade 5 and 6 students will continue athletics sessions that include key track and field events, such as High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Hurdles, Sprint/Relays, and distance running. They will use these sessions to train for participating in and to monitor their own performance and fitness.

Later in term 3, students will participate in a hockey unit that focuses on key skills, including dribbling, passing, shooting, and space awareness, to play small-team modified hockey games.

Mr Godfrey



## Performing arts

Grade 5/6 students will build on their prior knowledge from Drama classes to improve on their acting and performance skills. They will learn the importance of the Elements of Drama to producing engaging work with the focus on creating tension in their plays and how to achieve this. Students will focus on being supportive and engaged audience members and learn the importance of constructive feedback.

Ms Caulfield



## ICT

During Term 3, students will continue to build on their ICT skills through ongoing typing practice and by strengthening their confidence in using a range of digital technologies.

They will extend their understanding of computer systems by further exploring the components of a computer and the function of key hardware and accessories.

Students will continue to use a variety of digital tools and platforms to create, design and present their learning. Building on their experience with Microsoft PowerPoint, they will further develop their skills.

Mr Paterson



We are looking forward to a wonderful Term 3!