



## Cranbourne East Year 3 Newsletter

WELCOME to Year 3 at  
Cranbourne East Primary School

We would like to welcome all parents, guardians and students to Year Three. The students have made a fantastic start to the year and should be congratulated on their efforts. As you know Cranbourne East Primary School is a co-teaching school. We have four Year Three groups consisting of a total of nine Home Groups. If you have any questions please feel free to speak to any of the teachers in your child's Learning Space.



Meaghan Mann (3M) and Synead Smith (3Y).  
3MY Learning Space entry and exit room 31.



Rachael Arkley (3R) and Shelley Hogan (3H)  
3HR Learning Space entry and exit room 11.



Chloe Felmingham (3F) and Debora Gupta (3G).  
3FG Learning Space entry and exit room 32.



Annie Sleeman (3A) Scott Bentley (3B) and Brett Smith (3S).  
3ABS Learning Space entry and exit room 13.

## Middle School Athletics

On Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> of February, students in years three and four had the opportunity to participate in the school's Athletics Carnival at Casey Field's. It was the first time the school has used these facilities, but after a sensational carnival, it is likely it won't be the last.

The children arrived at the venue excited with the size of the venue and various areas ready for competition. The levelled grandstand allowed for suitable seating and viewing by all children. The school was fortunate to obtain assistance from SEDA whom supplied students from their sporting program to assist with running each of the events.

During the Carnival the students competed in hurdles, long jump, triple jump, shot put, tug of war, discus, 100m sprints and high jump. Afterwards students got to compete in novelty events against some teachers. For many students it was their first time being involved in an event of this nature.

## Literacy.

The Year 3 students have begun the year with a fantastic attitude towards their reading. We are starting the day with sustained reading. This has ensured that the students come in to class calmly and has for a good start to the day. As a whole class, the students are being taught a variety of reading strategies. During independent reading students practise these strategies. Once a week the students will participate in a guided reading group with a teacher.

This term in Year 3, we have been learning about the features of Haiku, Cinquain and Limerick poems. Our focus text types for this term are recounts, procedures, expositions and information reports. We've been learning about how language can change the power of what we're trying to say. We've also been looking at sentence structure with a focus on using correct tense, punctuation, adjectives and connectives to create compound and complex sentences.

## Mathematics.

The Year 3's have jumped straight back into Maths with a positive attitude! To begin the term, students have been looking at Place Value where they have been learning about the different ways we can represent numbers. They are also continuing to build their number sense and knowledge by continuing number patterns and ordering numbers. We are then moving onto 2D and 3D Shapes, their features and where we find them in everyday situations. We will also be exploring Location, Mapping and Chance. Students will be taking part in a variety of games, hands-on activities and projects where they can apply their mathematical skills and knowledge to real life scenarios. We are looking forward to a fantastic term of fun and learning in Maths! Remember to encourage your child to log in to Mathletics and complete set tasks at home.

## Inquiry Learning.

This term in Inquiry Learning, year three students are investigating how we use energy and how we can make our energy usage more environmentally sustainable. Students will be exploring new vocabulary and posing a variety of question to develop their understandings for building a sustainable future. The Mobile Renewable Energy Van visited during the first week of term. Students experienced a variety of ways to make energy and learnt how to save energy. During the remainder of the term students will explore, investigate, hypothesis and conduct a variety of experiments to build and develop concepts of sustainability.

## Year 3 Blog and Twitter

Our Year 3 Blog is a great place to see the wonderful work that our students have been working on. It is also a place where students can find resources on their current topics. If there are any resources that you would like to see posted, please email us at [year3@cranbourneeastps.vic.edu.au](mailto:year3@cranbourneeastps.vic.edu.au)

Our Blog can be found at: <http://gr3ceps.global2.vic.edu.au>

\* **Please be mindful that all comments and posts will be monitored and reviewed before they are published online.**



### TWEETING ABOUT YEAR 3 TWITTER

Our Twitter account is up and running. The students are very proud to share the work that they are doing and want to share it with the world. This is a great chance for parents to keep up to date on what is going on in the Year 3 learning neighbourhoods. So come along and follow us at @year3ceps. We look forward to seeing you!

**Please be mindful that students are unable to have their own Twitter accounts, to ensure that we keep our students safe online.**