

Kauri Team Newsletter

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Welcome to Term 3

This term is full of new opportunities, experiences and learning. We look forward to exciting new units of inquiry and building knowledge about our planet and our use of resources, identifying ways we can make effective change or action within our school environment and beyond. Homework will commence week 1 and issued out on a Friday and due in the following Friday. Can you please ensure that your child is completing this, along with reading every night for approximately 15-20 minutes. If you have any questions regarding this, or about the work currently being done at school, please contact your classroom teacher.

Theme 4 (Weeks 1 – 5)

‘Sharing the Planet’

- Central Idea: *Varying perspectives on finite resources can create conflict*
- Lines of Inquiry:
Value of resources in a competitive world
Management of finite resources
Society’s role in managing resources



Literacy is fully integrated into our themes. This term we are working on how to use different texts to convey our ideas and opinions. The specific focus will be on writing to inform and persuade an audience in order for effective change to be actioned. We will also be completing a dystopian short story or novelette incorporating ideas or themes from our inquiry.

NUMERACY

Mathematics - In Maths we will be working on statistics and completing a Statistical Investigation into Sharing the Planet. This will include; probability, working with various types of graphs and collating data and selecting the best method to display this data.

Maths will be integrated where and when appropriate. We will focus on Algebra during the last 5 weeks of the term.

Theme 5 (Weeks 6-10)

‘How we express ourselves’

- Central Idea: *People use various forms of expression to provoke and create change*
- Lines of Inquiry:
Creativity is used to reflect personal beliefs and perspectives
The impact and role of the media
Provoking change through various platforms

Specialisation

Technology and the Arts –

These will be fully integrated throughout our themes and include Digital Technology, Art and Design, Music, Soft and Hard Technology.

In language, students will be learning French with Madame Jasmine Hanaway, and will have two forty-five minute sessions each week.

Physical Education –

Mr Thomas Jones will take the students for PE once a week for 45 minutes. Please encourage your child to bring PE gear every day as we will make use of good weather to get outside for class PE sessions when possible.