Dear Families,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a wonderful holiday and that you were able to enjoy spending time with your family. We are excited for the year ahead and are looking forward to working with you and your child throughout the year.

### Curriculum Information

#### English

Our writing emphasis this term will be on narratives and persuasive texts and will be integrated within our Science, History and Geography lessons. Students will learn about the text structures and how language is used to entertain and persuade. We will learn about and use the writing process of pre-writing, planning (using graphic organisers), revising, editing and publishing. Spelling, cooperative reading, handwriting (beginning cursive), grammar, punctuation, comprehension and viewing, speaking and listening, will continue as separate focus lessons, as well as being integrated wherever possible.

#### Mathematics

This term students will be focusing on Number concepts including place value, expanded notation, ordering numbers, addition and subtraction. We will also look at measurement, graphing and time. Student will be working with the IMaths program and will have continued online enrichment activities within class and for homework.

### Important Events and Dates

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Science
Our Science unit this term is ‘Night and Day.’ Students will explore the sizes, shapes, positions and movements of the Sun, Earth and Moon. They will also investigate how shadows change throughout the day and link these changes to the Sun’s apparent movement across the sky.

History and Geography
This term we are learning about Indigenous Australia and the importance of land to the Aboriginal people. We will explore who lived here first and how people’s feelings about places influence their views about the protection of places.

The Arts
Visual Arts
Students will continue to work with a variety of materials and techniques, using our Geography and Poetry units as inspiration for these artworks.

Music
Mr Shapowloff will be working with the year 3 students as part of our release program. In year 3 the students have the opportunity to audition for the Recorder Band. Once the recorder band is established they will be committed to a practice session every Tuesday afternoon and lunch time Friday. As an alternate program the students will be exploring traditional Indigenous music and art.

Technologies
Students will use a range of programs to enhance and demonstrate their learning. Students will work with Mrs Lowther in a weekly robotics session.

Health and Physical Education
Students will continue to engage in a range of physical activities including dance, and class based games and activities aimed at developing a positive attitude to health and physical development. Ms Julia Tapp will continue taking each class for Blueearth sessions this term.

Specialist Programs
Blueearth
3L - Monday 3C - Wednesday 3O - Thursday

Library Resource Centre
3C - Wednesday 3O - Thursday 3L - Friday

Japanese
All classes will continue to have regular Japanese language sessions every Thursday with Kitasaka Sensei.

Additional Class Information

Hats
Our school is a SunSmart school and follows the Education and Training Directorate’s policy. Students will need to wear hats all term.

Homework
Homework will begin Week 4.

Fruit break
Students are encouraged to bring in a fruit snack to have at the beginning of each day.

We are looking forward to an amazing Term 3!

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