Welcome to Year 3!

Your teachers this year are Mrs Speranza in 3 Blue and Mrs Wooding in 3 Gold. This year we are looking forward to working with your children. We are happy to answer any of your questions before or after school. If you need to have a longer discussion please make an appointment to see us by sending a note, asking us to arrange a time or contacting the office.

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Subject Overviews

The Subject overview will give you a sense of what your children will be focusing on in class. These could be the things you talk to your child about through the term.

**Religious Education**

Our first topic in Religion is Lent: Reaching Out which explores the traditions and practices of Lent.

Our second topic for the term is Easter Triduum: Journeying with Jesus. The children will explore and discuss the events of Holy Week and Easter and their significance to our faith life.

Our last unit will be The Journey to Emmaus, we walk with the Apostles as they meet Jesus and He walks with them. During this unit we discuss the emotions of the apostles and the teaching of Jesus.

Throughout the term we will have many opportunities to learn formal prayers and for you to join us in our Eucharistic celebrations.

**English**

This year a major focus will be on reading. Everyone in Year 3 will participate in the Premiers’ Reading Challenge. The children will bring home their guided reading book every night to practice reading. As you listen to your child read ask them questions about what they have read. During writing this term, we will be focusing on imaginative, informative, persuasive and personal texts. There will be an emphasis on sentence structure, grammar and punctuation.

**Mathematics**

During Mathematics this term we will be focusing on number, working mathematically and problem solving. We will also focus on counting by 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s forwards and backward and on and off the decade. Students will continue to develop their understanding and learn to apply this knowledge when engaging in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems.
Science
In Science and Technology this term our unit is Change Matters. It is an investigative unit researching the variety of products and materials that objects can be made from to increase durability, flexibility and strength. It will also explore how solids or liquids are influenced by temperature and the students will experience the way items from their everyday life can change.

Creative Arts
During our Creative Arts lessons this term the students will be experiencing a wide variety of artistic methods and styles.

The students will continue to have music lessons with Mrs Moore on each alternate Wednesday.

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
During Personal Development and Health lessons we will focus on the topic Me and My Mates. This topic looks at how we interact with others and the development of positive relationships, dealing with friends and what is bullying.

The children will have PE lessons with Mr Jones. We will also have sport sessions on Fridays, in which we will focus on developing skills needed for team activities.
General Information

Our sport day will be Wednesdays and Fridays.

Homework is given out fortnightly.

Students will be borrowing books from the library on Mondays - they will choose one book to keep at school for independent reading and two books to use as home readers. We request that parents help in ensuring that these books are kept safe and returned to school every Monday.