



### **Stage 3 Enrichment Groups 2016**

This year, Stage 3 will be engaging in an enrichment program every Thursday afternoon from 1:40pm-3:00pm. This program aims to complement all other curriculum programs within the school. Students in Stage 3 will still complete subjects such as art, sport and music during normal class time. These groups aim to provide diverse extension and enrichment opportunities for all students around the topics listed below. Enrichment activities allow more time to study concepts with greater depth, breadth and complexity. Enrichment also provides opportunities for students to pursue learning in their own areas of interest and strengths. This week students will select their top 3 choices for Semester 1. They will then be placed into groups according to the number of positions available (with Year 6 given first preference) as some activities have a limited number of places. Students will be given the chance to change activities in Semester 2, allowing them to access more than one activity throughout the year.

#### **Media Studies-Mr Platt**

In media studies we will be looking at the different processes of making movies. We will use iPads to make 'Stop and Go' animations, as well as Claymations. Students will have the opportunity to use software programs to edit their work and to implement special effects on their PC. Budding reporters and actors will have the opportunity to show their skills in creating a news segment about the school.

#### **Science-Ms Eakin**

We will be exploring, through design and construction, various scientific concepts. Over the semester we will be encouraging students to think logically and creatively while investigating such states as gravity, durability, flexibility and stability. We will be using a variety of recycled materials sourced locally, with students working individually and in small groups.

#### **Art-Miss Baillie**

Students will be working on a range of visual art projects where they will explore the practical application of a variety of techniques using a range of mediums. We will investigate styles of significant artists such as Van Gogh, Picasso, Namatjira, Lautrec and Done, experimenting with their individual techniques.

#### **Choir-Mrs Roberts**

Students who participate in the Stage 3 choir will have the opportunity to work with Mrs Roberts to develop their singing skills, learn a collection of songs for performance and also learn songs with a musical theatre focus where students will incorporate drama and action into their performances. This group will also be working on their audition piece for Schools Spectacular this year.

#### **Cultural Studies-Mrs Allen**

We are excited to be offering an opportunity for students to build their knowledge of local indigenous cultures. This will include the introduction of the Bundjalung language, yarning with guest speakers and connecting with our elders and community. Students will be given the opportunity to investigate significant local histories and sites.

#### **Dance –Miss McLaughlin**

The Senior Dance Ensemble will work with Miss McLaughlin each Thursday afternoon to grow and develop their skills in dance and movement. This group will work towards creating a n audition piece for Schools



Spectacular and working on performance pieces for school assemblies and other performances. Students will also learn the importance of completing a proper warm up, cool down and stretching for flexibility to reduce the chance of injury when dancing.

## **Sport and Fitness Studies-Mr Maxwell**

The focus of this group will be on further developing skills and understanding in the areas of sport and fitness. The students will gain a greater understanding of what it means to be fit and how to test and plan to improve their individual fitness levels. We will also be studying a variety of sports looking at their respective histories, rules and skills. Leading up to the cross country and athletics carnivals there will a specific focus on related skills. This group is suitable for those students who already have well-developed skills in these areas and would like further practice to improve their chances of representing the school at Zone and Regional carnivals.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the teacher in charge of the activity or Mr Mussett on 66213363.

Regards,

Stage 3 Teachers