



Mr Rus

This term is a smorgasbord of fun and challenging activities for all year levels.

Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 students will focus on improving their fundamental movement skills by preparing for the Term 4 House Athletics event. To be at their best students will be developing their running, jumping and throwing abilities.

Year 3 and 4 are stretching themselves (literally) by participating in Gymnastics. They will collaborate together to create a short floor routine with seven different elements to demonstrate their learning. They will also explore skills in volleyball.

Year 5 and 6 are focusing on the sports of AFL and Volleyball. To support these sports, the government funded project 'Sporting Schools' will be running lunch time Tennis and AFL clinics to provide the children with additional opportunities to learn from experienced coaches.

It should be a great term of ever improving fitness and skill!

Environmental Science: Mr Hunter

Foundation, Year 1 and 2 students will be learning about Biomes and Ecosystems that are found all over the world. They will explore our learning landscapes at Athol Road Primary School to discover how all parts both living and non-living make up each special ecosystem and support each other to survive.

Year 3 and 4 students will get their hands dirty as they learn about different gardening techniques from collecting and propagating seeds and cuttings through to learning how to prune and espalier fruit trees. Winter is the perfect time to use many of these techniques so all students will learn with many hands on experiences in our school gardens.

Year 5 and 6 students are building their understanding around Biodiversity. They will complete a biodiversity audit of Athol Road Primary School by mapping out all of the natural and manmade features of our school and calculate our score out of 100. They will also be brainstorming new ideas to help improve our biodiversity score in the future.

Visual Arts: Mrs Santavas

Year 6 This term the students will be making clay pots using air dry clay. This will be a very exciting time as they have not experienced anything like this before. They will also be constructing cushions with a Picasso face using fabric textures. I can't wait to see their outcome! Students are also making 'mandala plates' involving mindfulness with drawing, colour and Q-tip techniques. How exciting!!!

Year 5: Students will be investigating an artist, involving history and collage work to produce the final outcome of this artist using media. Students will then use paints to create leaf art.

Year 3&4 Students will be involved with nature leaves using white pens to represent the aboriginal era involving dots focusing around their inquiry learning unit. They will also be investigating outside rubbings using crayons. Students will then be analysing Modigliani's art work to create self Portraits using chalk. What an experience this will be for these students.

Year 1&2 This term the students will be working on Monet's water garden producing a collage using tissue paper. As well as looking at Paul Klee the artist and how to draw using water paints. This will be a real challenge to see the effects and differences in following steps and using colour.

Foundation Students will be concentrating on collage work in relation to their Inquiry unit 'Community'. They will also be involved with ICT Sing along Journey, by listening and following on how to create a collage using abstract shapes, reinforcing mathematical shapes. Wow! How exciting!

