

# THE WORLD OF UMM

## Yr 2/3 Newsletter

### Parent info night

This Monday February 6 at 6.30 in room 5

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### Student free day

Friday March 10

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### Chapel led by 2/3's

Please join us on Friday February 24 when we present the message at chapel. The yr 3's will receive their Bibles at this chapel.

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### Sports Day

Friday April 7

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### Parent Interviews

Monday April 10

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### End of Term

Thursday April 13 - 2.15 finish

### *Dear Parents,*

Welcome to a new year of school. Here is a snapshot of the things happening in the 2/3 class this term.

### *Literacy*

The children will be investigating the inquiry question: *What makes a great story?* Children will be analysing narrative texts by a range of authors. They will find out how language features, images and vocabulary choices are used for different effects. Children will be guided on how to write a narrative.

### *History*

Loxton has a proud history built on the hard work of returned war soldiers who took up land and planted fruit crops. This inquiry will investigate the effects and significance that these families had on the community of Loxton. If you know any **descendants of these early pioneers**, please let me know as I am looking for someone who'd be willing to speak to the class.

### *Seesaw learning journal*

The children now have access to an app called Seesaw. It contains samples of their work, including stories, slideshows, photos and projects. I'll be sending home QR codes for parents in week 2, as you'll need this to view your child's journal. The Seesaw Parent app is available for free on Android and Apple and is a terrific way to stay in touch with what is happening at school.



### *Christian Studies*

We will be investigating how relationships nurture people and enable them to develop their gifts. Within this we'll be reading Bible stories about God initiating friendships with people.

### *Maths*

A major focus will be on mental strategies. These strategies are essential skills which allow children to add and subtract more efficiently. This will include subitising, counting on, doubles, rainbow facts and friendly numbers.

### *Reading with your child*

It would be appreciated if you could listen to, or read to, your child each night. This assists in developing a love of literature, and is foundational to children developing healthy reading attitudes for the rest of their lives. Please assist your child by filling in the reading log inside their yearly diary.

### *Oral language*

For your information I do not roster children to present Show & Tell, but incorporate regular speaking skills into the termly program.

### *Appointments welcome*

Should you have any concerns or questions about your child's learning, I encourage you to make an appointment with me. This can be done by calling the office or emailing me at [karlk@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au](mailto:karlk@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au)

Yours in Christ,

Karl Klose