

Speaking and Listening – Term 1 2018

Dear Parents of Year 3,

Speaking and Listening is an important part of the literacy program. It provides children with the skills to become good listeners and speakers. In Year 3, we have a set topic each week to encourage the children to focus on the skills of researching, reporting and engaging an audience.

We encourage you to remind your child about the Speaking and Listening topic for the week. We would anticipate that these topics would provide time for family discussion at home, as you support your child in planning for their turn. During Integrated Studies this term, we are studying many areas of Science and have incorporated this theme into our Speaking and Listening program. The students are not asked to write a speech down but simply bring along something they can share with or show their classmates.

Week 2	<i>My Family</i> Talk about your family and what makes them special. Try and find a photograph or draw a picture showing the whole family (it can include cousins, grandparents, aunties and uncles).
Week 3	<i>My Favourite Thing</i> A chance to talk about what is your most favourite thing in the world. It might be a place you have visited or a person. It could be an animal or even a moment in time. It is up to you to choose something that is your favourite.
Week 4	<i>What I love about plants</i> A chance to tell everyone what you really like about plants. What your favourite plant, tree or flower might be.
Week 5	<i>My Favourite Movie</i> Talk about your favourite movie and why it is your favourite.
Week 6	<i>My Favourite Animal-</i> Talk about an animal that is special to you and tell us why.
Week 7	<i>My Favourite Bible Character</i> Choose a Bible character from the Old Testament and tell us a bit about this person and why they are your favourite.
Week 8	<i>Animal Camouflage</i> Talk about an animal that can camouflage and tell us how it does it and why.
Week 9	<i>Free Choice</i> A chance to talk about or bring anything that you choose.

If you have any further questions, please see your classroom teacher.

Yours Sincerely,

The Year 3 Teachers