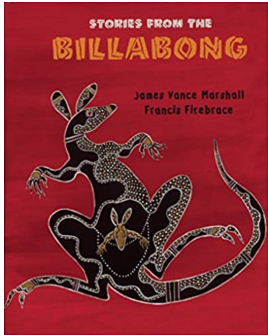


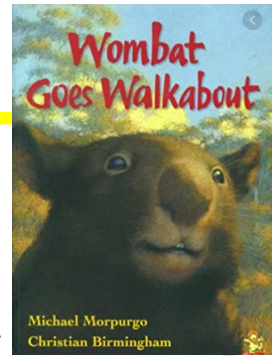


# Blue Planet

## Year 2 Term 5 2024



This term we will be focussing our learning around Australia. We will begin the term by learning about the history of Aboriginal Australians and the Dreamtime Stories they told beside campfires and waterholes. In Geography we will explore the continent further and develop our map skills and use of compass points. We will learn about climate, landmarks, physical features, culture and lifestyle. In art we will be using a range of media to create Aboriginal artwork, charcoal pictures and clay sculptures. We will be using the laptops to collect and present data in a variety of tallies and graphs.



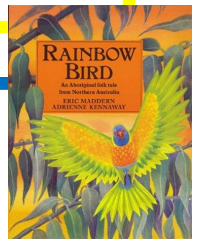
### Maths

We will begin with a recap of our calculation strategies for addition and subtraction and we will be exploring the strategies needed for exchanging ten. We will also be solving multiplication and division problems using repeated addition and repeated subtraction on a blank number line. We will also be learning about fractions of shapes and quantities and we will explore the practical strategies for solving fraction problems. We will be taking every opportunity to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes on an analogue clock. We will be using our outdoor area to explore position and direction and the use of the correct vocabulary.



### English

We will be reading and retelling the Dreamtime Story of 'The Rainbow Serpent' and we will use 'Wombat goes Walkabout' by Michael Morpurgo to write our own narratives. We will use our key texts to look at how the authors build their stories through the use of language, sentence structure and vocabulary choices. We will have a new word of the week each week that we will learn and apply in our written work. We will be using drama techniques and activities to ensure we have an excellent understanding of each text.



We will be reading Aboriginal Folk Tales every day and the children will be given lots of opportunities for reading aloud, using the correct expression and intonation.

We will be developing our comprehension skills during Guided Reading.

### Science

In Science we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will explore a range of habitats and we will consider how animals and plants have adapted to suit their habitat.

### PSHCE—Relationships



Children will be thinking about the relationships they have with others and how to manage conflicts.

In PE we will be.....learning skills in:

- Tennis
- Dance

\*Please ensure earrings are removed on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

### Reading

We will be continuing the reading crown incentive for children reading 4 times a week at home. Please remember to complete the online diary on Boomreader every time your child has read to someone at home.