



Stage 3 – Term 4 **Curriculum Overview**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term Four. We hope everyone had a beautiful Spring holiday break and are looking forward to a wonderful term of learning.

Please find below is an overview of what we will be covering in the curriculum this term.

Religion

Year 5 will be focusing on:

- *Mission: Living and Sharing in the Mission of Jesus.*

Students will demonstrate their understanding and appreciation of Christian life as responding to God's love for us and of all creation, through the strength of the Holy Spirit.

- *Advent/Christmas*

Students will demonstrate their understanding and appreciation of the Church as being led by the Holy Spirit, as honouring Mary, and as having a life and mission in which individuals are called to various ministries of service.

Year Six will be focusing on:

- *Eucharist Nourishes us for the Journey*

Students will demonstrate their understanding and appreciation of the sacraments as signs and symbols of God's love and as revealing the Holy Spirit at work in the Church.

- *Graduation Mass preparation*

Students will be preparing a liturgical celebration to conclude their primary education at St Canice's.

Mathematics: In Mathematics, students will be participating in a wide range of activities, including open-ended and rich tasks, which will focus on developing skills in and understandings of mathematical concepts.

English: This term we will begin with concentrating on persuasive, creative and informative writing. Within the Persuasive genre students will have an opportunity to explore advertisements, moving from written to multimedia forms. Later in the term we will focus on poetry, allowing students to express themselves creatively. To conclude Term 4, students will be producing informative writing, presenting their learning in relation to our Science unit on *Its Electrifying - Circuits & Switches*.

Geography: *Factors that Shape Places/ Environments shape places*

This term will return to our Geography unit. Students in Term 1 began exploring how the natural environment influences people & places and how climate influences where we live? Student will be revisiting and continuing their learning in this area as well as developing their knowledge around the Impacts of bushfires and becoming aware of hazards, location & extent of bushfire disasters. This unit helps students recognise how can people prevent & minimise their impact on the environment.

Science and Technology: *It's Electrifying - Circuits & Switches*

This unit provides opportunities for students to explore the role of electrons in transferring energy in electric circuits. Through investigating batteries, light bulbs, switches, conductors and insulators, students explain how battery-operated devices such as a torch work.

PDHPE: Sport will be held on Tuesdays.

Our focus is *Gymnastics* and students will participate in a range of activities to develop coordination and teamwork. Our Personal Development unit will begin with '*Positive Relationships*' to provide students with the opportunity to develop their interpersonal skills, to recognise safe and unsafe social behaviours and to learn how to get help when necessary. In week 4 we will begin the '*Changing and Growing*' and will develop students understanding of how their bodies change and develop. We will be exploring body systems, hormonal changes, hygiene and discrimination.

Creative Arts: We will be focusing on a variety of art forms and techniques this term.

Music and Italian: Music and Italian will be taught on Thursdays.

Homework: A hard copy of the Stage 3 Homework sheet is distributed in Week 1 and 6.. Students can also access their homework via their Google Classroom Page.

Library: The children will be attending Library each Tuesday and require a library bag.

We look forward to a stimulating and productive term. Please feel free to contact us to discuss any concerns regarding your child's learning and wellbeing that may arise.

Regards

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