



Curriculum Overview

Term 3 2018

Year Kindergarten

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term Three and we hope you all had an enjoyable time with your child during the holidays. I can't believe that half the year has already gone and how much your child has grown, matured and learned during this time. They really are fantastic! Let's take a look at what's on the menu for this term:

Religious Education

In Religion the children will be looking at '**God is our Creator**'. We will be singing songs about creation and identifying things made by God. Kinder will be leading assembly on Friday 18th August (week 5) in the Open Area at 8:40am.

English

During literacy time we will continue developing reading strategies through guided reading group sessions, studying picture books and experiencing poetry. The children will learn how to write an information report. Our special focus for the term will be learning about animals. We will study information books and how they are organised, and how they are different to story books. We will attempt to write our own reports using the facts we have learned about animals. We would love helpers to come in any morning at 9am to help with our groups. We will also be going on excursion to Calmsley Hill farm later in the term and this will help us with our knowledge of animals and farms to inform our writing.

Mathematics

In Maths we will be concentrating on whole numbers, addition and subtraction, area, 3D shapes, and time (telling time on the hour). Each lesson during maths time will begin with a warm up game, which helps to develop mental strategies and then progress to an open ended activity for the children to explore.

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History and Geography

In this combined History and Geography unit we will build on from last term where we looked at families, where they live and their stories. We will explore the local area and its features. We will look at our Aboriginal heritage in and around Katoomba. We will discuss ways we can care for our natural and built landscapes.

Science & Technology

The Science topic for this term is '**On the Move**'. In this unit the children will explore ways that people and objects can move, and the forces that help or hinder us from moving.

Visual Arts

During Creative Arts time we will be participating in drama and visual arts activities in a combined unit '**Where the Wild Things Are**'. We will be holding a dramatic presentation sometime during the term.

Personal Development, Health & Physical Education

PDHPE involves looking at responsible use of medicines. In the PE component we will be participating in a variety of activities including circuits, aerobics, relays etc. Remember that the children need to **wear their sport uniform on Monday**.

So, as you can see, we will be extremely busy this term having lots of fun while we are learning.

A few reminders:

Library day is on Tuesday and we encourage the children to borrow a book each week.

Music and Italian are on Thursday.

Please return your **home reading folder** on the day that is marked on the front.

If you have misplaced the folder could you please let me know so that we can start a new folder. It is really important that you try to read these books with your child if not every night at least a few times a week.

I am looking forward to a busy and fun term. It will be nice to feel the days getting longer and warmer this term! If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come in and ask,

Warm regards,

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