



Curriculum Overview

Kindergarten

Term 4 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hello and welcome back. I can't believe your child is now in the last term of Kindergarten. Wow! How quickly the year has flown. They say time flies when you're having fun! This term is shaping up to be another jam packed, exciting one. Here's what we have planned:

Religious Education:

In Religion we have three units to cover. We will begin with ***Missioning***, exploring ways in which we can live as Jesus showed us. Then we will move into the units of ***Advent and Christmas***. We will also be putting on a Nativity play at the end of the year.

Our Nativity Play will be presented at Whole School Prayer on Friday 7th December. Please put it on your calendar.

English:

In English we will continue to develop reading strategies and work with fiction and non fiction books. We will be doing some reading and writing around our farm excursion, which is happening on Friday 26th October. We will write some factual texts, including a recount of the day. We are also very excited as we have some chicken eggs coming in an incubator in a few weeks. We will be keeping a diary of their daily progress and reading about life cycles. To finish the term we will be exploring narratives (stories) and reading and writing some familiar and unfamiliar narratives.

Mathematics:

In the Number strand we will be revisiting whole numbers, place value, multiplication and division. In the strand of Space and Geometry we will be revisiting 2D, 3D and position and in the strand of Measurement we will be covering volume and capacity as well as area and mass.

History:

"Personal and Family Histories: A Cultural Comparison" In this unit the children will be looking at how Indigenous peoples in Australia lived in the past, including lifestyle, celebrations, art and music.

Science & Technology:

The unit ***"Staying Alive"*** explores the characteristics of living and non-living things and their basic needs of air, food, water, space and shelter. We will also explore our senses and conduct some experiments to see how plants grow best.

Creative Arts:

In Drama and Visual Arts we will have lots of fun exploring the world of dinosaurs. We are going to act out various scenarios being a dinosaur or a paleontologist with great excitement I'm sure! We will be making dinosaur puppets, recreating skeletons, and inventing our very own dinosaur.

Towards the end of the term we will have lots of fun creating some Christmas Art and Craft and practicing our Nativity play. I will notify the date and time of the play as the time draws near.

Personal Development, Health & Physical Education:

The children will participate in a gymnastics programme run by specialist teachers and they will need to **wear their sport uniform on TUESDAYS**. The Personal Development and Health unit **"Play it Safe"** addresses safe and unsafe living. This unit also looks at Bullying- what it is (and isn't) and what we can do if we, or a friend is being bullied.

Library:

Don't forget our **library borrowing day is Tuesday**. We encourage all children to borrow.

End of Term:

Term 4 reports will go home in December. School concludes on 19th December.

The reading folders will continue to be sent home each week. Please continue to encourage your child to read their book and say their sight words every day. If there is something else we would like your child to do, this will also be in their reading folder.

Once again I would absolutely love some volunteers in the mornings for reading groups. We try to start at 9am and finish by 10am. We'd love to see your smiling face in our room and appreciate your help.

I am very excited about the learning opportunities and social development of each child this term, and we thank you once again for your support. Please remember if you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to make an appointment to come in and see me.

Looking forward to a busy and exciting term,

Sincerely,

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