



Stage Three





Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to 2018! What an exciting year we have ahead of us. We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child. Together we can create a supportive and caring learning environment where individual needs are met.

Religious Education: Students will understand and appreciate Jesus as the model for Christian living. Living according to Jesus' teaching and example is a means of deepening their experience of and relationship with God and other people. Students will explore the following units; 'Servant Leadership', 'Lent: Practices and Promises' and 'Easter Triduum: The Way to the Cross'

English: Students will engage in a literacy program, which includes writing & representing, reading & viewing, speaking & listening, handwriting & using digital technology, spelling and grammar, punctuation & vocabulary activities. Students will use their imaginations and creativity to express themselves in literacy using a range of strategies for learning. They will also learn to reflect on aspects of their own work and the work of others.

Mathematics: This term 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.

History: Stage Three will begin a new unit from the History Syllabus 'Australia as a Nation'. In this unit students explore the factors that led to Federation and experiences of democracy and citizenship over time. This unit will be accompanied by our camp to Canberra later in the term. A note regarding the details of this excursion will be sent home shortly.

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Science and Technology: Students are investigating 'Marvellous Micro-organisms' which involves hands on tasks, conducting experiments and writing scientific reports.

Creative Arts: Students will be developing their skills in visual arts through a variety of different learning experiences and mediums. Students will also participate in Music with Ms Frazer.

P.D.H.P.E: Students will participate in regular physical activity focusing on Dance. Our physical education lessons will be on Fridays, so **students are to wear their** <u>sport</u> <u>uniform</u> on <u>Fridays</u>. Our personal development lessons will be focusing on 'Keeping Safe around Drugs, Water and the Environment'.

L.O.T.E: On Thursdays students participate in Italian lessons with Mrs Welch.

At Home: If possible, encourage your child to read and write, and provide him/her with different reading and writing material (newspaper, novels, magazines, coloured pens, pencils, coloured paper, a diary and erasers).

Extra Information

- Books will be sent home to be covered in contact during Week Two.
 ALL books must be returned (covered or not) by the end of Week 3.
- Students will have the opportunity to borrow from the Library each week. We
 encourage students to borrow two books each week so that they have a book to
 read at home and a book to read during independent reading time at school.
- Students will need to wear sports uniform on Fridays.

We look forward to a happy, stimulating and productive first term. If you wish to discuss anything further, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us to organise an appointment.

Sincerely,

Ms Alison Morley, Ms Kay Magann and Mr Coley White



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