



Curriculum Overview

Term 3, 2019

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 23rd August in the Hall 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 recount and a procedure. We will have a lot of fun writing a simple recount about a play experience, and then go on to writing a simple procedure (instructional steps) about something we have made.

Mathematics

In Maths we will be concentrating on whole numbers, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, 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.

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

We will start the term by learning simple **coding**. We will use Bee Bots- a programmable Bee. We will learn how to give the Bee Bot a series of commands to follow. We will have a lot of fun making mazes and programming our Bee Bot to make its way through the maze. Coding is a part of the new Science and Technology syllabus, and this is a first time for me teaching this unit. I am very excited about it as it looks to be so much fun in a child centered explorative way.

We will then progress to a unit about **Materials in our World**. this unit looks at what things are made of and the property of each material. We will explore how the materials are selected based on the purpose and function of the item being made.

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 explore how to take on different roles and have a lot of fun experimenting with how drama and visual arts compliment each other.

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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