



K/Pp/1 Class Newsletter

Term 3- Week 2 - 2019



Dates to remember!

- Wednesday 7th August: St Mary MacKillop Mass
- Monday 5th August: Options begin
- Monday 19th August: Swimming lessons PP-Yr 6 (no Options)
- Wednesday 28th August: School photos

National Quality Standards

Our new fencing is in! This is a safety requirement for all Early Childhood Centres. It is also exciting to see our cosy prayer garden receiving a 'make-over' as this is a lovely area for the students to visit.

Next Tuesday Mr Jason Meynell from Kearnan College will be visiting our classroom and Year 2/3 to see how we are progressing with our NQS preparation for our audit in Week 6.

We have updated our entrance to provide some extra information about our beliefs as educators of your children and as we are developing our inquiry minds, (ie. Teachers and students!) through questioning and wondering, we would like to invite you to add some 'wonderings' of your own about the Aboriginal culture! With the children's help we will have a go at investigating, researching and answering your questions!

Welcome Back!

The children have returned well rested, eager to share their holiday news, keen to play with their friends and with lots of questions about the changes to our room and outdoor area!

Lots of Learning!

Towards the end of last term the children showed a great interest in Aboriginal art and culture as they completed their creations for our NAIDOC Week art competition. They were fascinated with techniques such as dot painting and were intrigued by the change of flag being flown at our school entrance.

Therefore this child-driven interest has excitedly led to this term's 'big questions', "Who are the Aboriginal People of Australia?" and 'What is special to them?' The topic will cover the Geography component of the Curriculum, including also, some History concepts, and learning will be integrated into the Arts, Technology and Literacy areas.

Our Religion topic will explore God's Creation and, through Dreamtime stories, we will compare our beliefs to those portrayed in the traditional stories passed down through generations of Aboriginal people.

Concepts such as half, length and area, volume and capacity, position and direction will be explored this term along with number concepts such as grouping and sharing, skip counting and doubling during Maths sessions and through our learning centres.

Options

On Monday next week our Options programme will begin for Pre-primary to Year 6 students.

Please see attached note outlining the activity your child is participating in and a reminder to wear sports clothes.



Library Day

Library day will continue on Fridays this term. Please enjoy reading your child's book during the week and assist them to return it each Friday.

Homework

Homework has resumed this week. Please let us know if you have any queries regarding this.

News

The children are still enjoying their news sessions and a new roster has been placed in your child's communication book. Please take time to look at the guiding questions with your child as they help to prepare them for their presentation.

Winter Uniform/clothing

Sport clothes days this term are Monday, Thursday and Friday.



Have a great day!
From Mrs Kelly,
Mrs Ellis & Mrs McRae

