



ENGLISH

The writing lessons involves the students continuing to finish off our unit of narrative writing.. We have looked at the characters, setting and language features. We will now work on how to improve our overall writing and make it more interesting for the reader. Culminating with the students independently writing their own narrative text.

In reading lessons, students have looked at using the strategies making connection and questioning while reading. These strategies will form part of their tool kit to help make sense of what they are reading. We are currently focusing on the monitoring strategy. All strategies will be delivered explicitly to help students understand the meaning of the the text.

MATHEMATICS

Mathematics will be taught for a minimum of 60 minutes every day. Mental Mathematics will be part of the daily mathematic lessons.

For the next few weeks of the term, we will be investigating the following topics.

Year 5

- multiply 3-digit by 2-digit numbers.
- multiply 4-digit by 1 -digit numbers.
- lattice method of multiplication.
- factors trees.

Year 4

- using millimeters
- graduated scales
- probability
- properties of odd and even numbers

Problem solving strategies

- make an organised list.
- act out the problem.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In the remaining four weeks of term the Year 5 students will be studying Lent and Easter.

This Year 6 unit explores how people grow and develop personal gifts and talents given to them by God. Your child will learn that God is a mystery but that we can learn more about him through the teachings of Jesus.

Your child will explore the Gospels to discover how Jesus taught about God's love, peace and justice. They will learn that the Kingdom of God is wherever people live in peace and harmony. During the time of Lent people are called to be more like Jesus. Your child will explore the ways that they can do this by showing love, forgiveness and compassion to others. They will reflect on the ways that communities continue to live the teachings of Jesus in parish communities. Your child will learn the parts of the Easter Vigil Liturgy which marks the beginning of Easter, and the ways people continue to celebrate and live the teachings of Jesus.

Year 4 students will focus on Lent & Easter. We have learnt how Lent is a time for new beginnings. We will begin exploring Holy Week and the special events that take place in it. We will also investigate how Jesus teaches us to serve others through His actions and words.

Inquiry/Humanities & Social Sciences

This term the Year 4 Inquiry focuses around the question 'What is culture and how do we celebrate it?' Students have been investigating a culture from one of Australia's neighbouring countries. They have begun researching facts about their chosen culture and will endeavour to present their findings in a fun and engaging way. We can't wait to see how they turn out!

In History, Year 5 students will continue to study a range of concepts relating to the establishment of the Australian colonies, Australian Federation and the Australian Constitution.

In Civics and Citizenship, Year 5 students will be looking into the role of the Monarchy in Australian government and the roles and responsibilities of the three levels of government.

In Business and Economics, Year 5 students are continuing to study opportunity cost and how our decisions and choices are influenced by how we value one action over another. They will also look at limited resources and how individuals, businesses and governments have to make choices about how to use resources in an effective and sustainable way.



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IMPORTANT DATES

Class Mass Wednesday 10th
March 10am

Parent Interviews Thursday
25th March

Dear Parents,

Yes, it is week 6 of Term 1. All the students have settled into the class routine. I have been impressed by the attitude the students have displayed towards their school work. They are all willing to participate in class activities. Just a reminder our class Mass is on this Wednesday at 10am, Hope to see you there. The plan for the rest of this term is outlined below and as always, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

