



Term 1, Week 6-10

YEAR 1/2 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 17th:
Rice Day

March 21st:
St Joseph's Day
Liturgy led by K/P &
Harmony Day

March 24th:
Parent/Teacher
Interviews

March 30th:
Stations of the Cross
led by Year 5/6

April 8th:
Assessment Books
sent home & Last Day
of Term One

LITERACY

During our Writing lessons, we have been exploring how authors use descriptive language to bring their characters to life. We have started to explore how authors describe their characters through their personality, appearance and feelings. Over the next few weeks, we will be practicing how to create effective characters and settings within the forms of narratives.

This term we will use small group and whole class reading sessions to help develop reading and comprehension skills, as well as listen to readers individually.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our Religious Education lessons will focus on the season of Lent and Easter. We will explore how Christians celebrate and remember the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We will learn about Ash Wednesday, which begins the season of Lent and identify how people can pray, give up things and share their time with others during Lent. We will also explore the events of Holy Week and learn information about the Easter Vigil, which marks the beginning of Easter.

LIBRARY

A reminder that library is every **Monday**. Please ensure that your child's books are kept safe in a library bag.

SCIENCE

In the remaining four weeks of term, Year 1 and 2 students will continue learning about Earth and Space. Students will be learning about surface water and underground water. They will investigate if water always flows downhill. They will investigate different man made and natural water collectors such as (rainwater tanks, dams). They will also be investigating underground water by answering a series of questions, for example: How does water get underground?





MATHEMATICS

This term, the Year 1 students will be learning the following:

- Place Value - Count collections to 100 by partitioning numbers using place value.
- Calendars - Describe duration using months, weeks, days and hours.
- Chance - Identify outcomes of familiar events involving chance and describe them using everyday language such as 'will happen', 'won't happen' or 'might happen'.

This term, the Year 3 students will be learning the following:

- Place Value - Group, partition and rearrange collections up to 1000 in hundreds, tens and ones to facilitate more efficient counting.
- Calendars - Name and order months and seasons. Use a calendar to identify the date and determine the number of days in each month.
- Chance - Identify practical activities and everyday events that involve chance. Describe outcomes as 'likely' or 'unlikely' and identify some events as 'certain' or 'impossible'.

INQUIRY/HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCE

This term in HASS/Inquiry we are focusing on Geography. We have been exploring how places in our world can be easily identified. We have begun to explore what makes each Continent unique to one another. Did you know that Asia has some of the tallest buildings in the world and the tallest mountain. Australasia has the largest coral reef in the world and is the smallest continent. We can't wait to learn more facts about the other five continents.

HEALTH

Students will continue to focus on the concept of safety and identifying warning signs when they are not feeling safe in Health for the remainder of the Term. In addition to this, they will begin exploring risks (distinguishing between safe and unsafe risks) and revising what to do in an emergency.

HOMEWORK

Each week students will bring home a home reader book and a reading log. Reading will help your child develop in all areas of the curriculum and your support at home can have the greatest impact on your child's overall achievement. Please listen to your child read **every night** and talk with your child about the book they read to help develop their comprehension skills. In addition, your child may have some sight words to read and/or spell each night.

Your child may like to practice their Mathematic and Reading skills by using the apps Reading Eggs and iMaths. Their logins can be found in their communication books.

