

Year 1/2 Class Newsletter



Literacy

This term in Writing, we are exploring poetry. Each week we will endeavour to investigate one type of poem, its given rules and structures and have a go at constructing our own. This week we are exploring Cinquain Poems! This type of poem explains a subject by using different parts of speech (nouns, adjectives, verbs). It has a very strict set of structures that we must follow. We can't wait to share some of our Cinquain Poems with you!

Library

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

Religious Education

In Week 3, our Year 3 students will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. In the lead up to this special occasion, we will explore how, through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, people ask God for forgiveness. We will learn the First and Second Rite of Reconciliation and the steps involved in celebrating the Sacrament. We will also learn that Jesus works through the priest to welcome, listen and forgive so that people can say 'sorry' and restore peace and harmony in their lives.

Upcoming Events:

October 21st - Super Kids, Superheroes Visit @ 9:15am
(Students may wear a superheroes costume for a gold coin donation)

October 25th - Mathademics

October 26th - First Reconciliation Mass led by Year 1-3 @ 10am

November 1st - All Saints Liturgy led by K/P

November 4th - Music Assembly

November 11th - Remembrance Day & Assessment Books Go Home



Inquiry/Humanities & Social Science

This term in HASS/Inquiry we are focusing on History and Geography. We are exploring the inquiry question, 'How have animals and their environments changed over time?' This week, we began investigating a chosen prehistoric animal and its different physical features. We will be using a variety of different Apps to create an interactive notebook that demonstrates its unique features. Later in the term, we will begin comparing our prehistoric animals to present day animals. We are all very excited to see where this inquiry takes us!

Science

In the Science unit this term, the year 1/2/3 students will continue with their biological science studies and will be focusing on learning how living things change and reproduce. The students will observe the patterns of growth and change in living things, describe patterns and make predictions. This focus in the unit enables the students to work scientifically with a focus on literature and understanding of all living things.

Mathematics

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

- Multiplication – Recognise and represent multiplication as repeated addition, groups and arrays.
- Money – Recognise, describe and order Australian coins according to their value.
- Data Representation – Represent data with objects and drawings where one object or drawing represents one data value. Describe the displays.

This term, the Year 2 students will be learning the following:

- Multiplication & Division – Recognise and represent multiplication as repeated addition, groups and arrays. Recognise and represent division as grouping into equal sets and solve simple problems using these representations.
- Money – Count and order small collections of Australian coins and notes according to their value.
- Data Representation – Create displays of data using lists, table and picture graphs and interpret them.

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. Homework will begin in Week 2.

Your child may also have a collection of high-frequency words to practice spelling. They can practice spelling each word orally or in written form. This will help your child master the spelling of these high-frequency words and will assist them in becoming fluent writers. It will also allow them to put more energy into the spelling of more difficult words and sentence structure.

Health

This Term in Health, students will continue reflecting on the concepts of abuse and neglect, this will be taught within the context of their care for pets and animals. Following this, students will revise a range of strategies for 'keeping safe' and how to be persistent when sharing important information around safety.