

YEAR 1 AND 2 CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

Term 4, 2026

What We Are Learning

Literacy

During our Writing lessons, we will be exploring different forms of poetry and using these as inspiration for our writing. We will also build on our narrative writing skills.

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 to develop fluency and accuracy. Each week, every student will have at least one guided session with the teacher. During these sessions, reading and comprehension strategies will be explicitly taught and students will have the opportunity to practice them in a safe environment. Students are encouraged to learn group spellings each week.

Numeracy

In Maths, we will be learning about fractions, capacity and mass. We will also continue to work on number and place value, using our prior knowledge to problem solve.

Science

In Science, we will be exploring 'Earth and Space'. Year 1 students will be observing water and weather in their environment. Year 2 students will be building on this, by learning about changes in the environment and Earth's resources.

Special Days

MONDAYS	Library (bring book/bag)
TUESDAYS	Canteen, Music, Sport
FRIDAYS	Sport, Art

Dear Parents/Guardians, I cannot believe we are already entering Term 4! This term we are having a big focus on our own well-being and what it means to be healthy and safe. We are going to have a busy but fantastic final term of the year and are looking forward to the special Anniversary and Confirmation celebrations in November with a very special visit from Bishop George!

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. In addition, your child will have some sight words to read and spell each night with a fluency passage.



Upcoming Events

OCT

- 13** School Starts back for students.
- 28** Y1/2 Whole School Mass 10am, Sacred Heart.



NOV

- 2-6** Wellness Week.
- 11** Y5/6 Remembrance Day Liturgy 9am
- 18** PP Transition to Y1/2 Classroom
- 19** SeeSaw Digital Assessment Portfolios released.
- 20** Athletics Carnival @ PDHS
- 25** PP Transition to Y1/2 Classroom
- 27** Ambulance Incursion

DEC

- 8** School Concert and Awards Night 6pm
- 10** Reports Home
- 11** Last Day Students

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This term, students will deepen their understanding of their faith by exploring God's love, the teachings of Jesus, and how we can show kindness, compassion and respect to others in our daily lives. As we approach Advent, students will learn about this special season of preparation and hope, reflecting on the coming of Jesus and the meaning of the Advent wreath, symbols and traditions. Through prayer, stories, discussion, and creative activities, students will deepen their understanding of the true meaning of Christmas and how they can share love, joy, and peace with those around them.

HASS

In Geography we will be learning to read maps, identifying local features and how places are given names, which have meaning to people, and these places can be defined on a variety of scales, including personal (e.g. home), local (e.g. street, suburb or town), regional (e.g. state) and national (e.g. country). We will be also be developing some sustainable practices in caring for our environment.

Technologies

This term, students will learn about the importance of healthy eating and making nutritious food choices. They will plan and create their own healthy lunches, using their knowledge of the different food groups to design balanced meals. As part of Design and Technologies, students will also design and create sandwich packaging to protect and present their healthy lunch. Through this project, they will develop creativity, problem-solving skills and an understanding of how design can meet a real-life need. We look forward to seeing their innovative designs and healthy choices come to life!

Health

To begin this term, students will learn important safety strategies, including how to stay safe at school, on bikes and scooters, in cars, and during summer, through water and sun safety. They will also practise memorising their name, address, and phone number and recall who to go to for help, and how to do this in an emergency. Students will also learn about healthy eating and healthy lifestyles.

