

Year Six, Term Four, 2023

Routines

Monday

- Brief assembly 8:40am

Tuesday

- Library, Music and Japanese rotations
- Sports uniform day

Friday

- Assembly 8:40am
- Sports uniform day

English

Children will be engaging in the strands of:

Reading and Viewing -

- **Daily Review:** This is a review of past learnings to reinforce concepts.
- **Novel Study:** Involves the reading of a novel with a focus on comprehension skills, as well as analysing and responding to texts
- **Book Club:** Students read a book as part of their home study and gather in groups to discuss aspects of the novel.

Writing and Representing -

Students will be exploring a range of picture books focusing on creative language techniques, structure, images etc. They will then work on producing a narrative that will be turned into a picture book for their buddy that demonstrates their knowledge of descriptive language, narrative structure, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Students will also be required to design and create their own colouring in images for their buddy to complete to compliment their book.

Speaking and Listening -

Opportunities will be provided this term for students to present short speeches or presentations within a small group or whole class settings in preparation for high school.

Science - Earth and Space & Digital Technologies

This unit aims to further develop students' understanding of the Earth, its position in the solar system and as a dynamic part of a complex, interrelated system.



The Digital Technologies unit focuses on understanding the role individual components of digital systems play in processing and representing data. Students design, modify and follow algorithms involving branching and iteration.

Religious Education

Our first topic of study is **Land, Spirit, People**. In this unit students investigate the relationship between our Catholic beliefs and that of our Indigenous Australians.

Our second topic is **Advent**. In this unit students reflect upon this special time in our Church calendar and the stories, traditions and importance Advent holds for us.



Mathematics

The emphasis will be placed on consolidating and extending basic skills and developing problem solving skills. The units we will cover this term include: *Fractions and Decimals, Multiplication and Division, Time and Whole Number*.

Students will continue to use Essential Assessment for both pre and post testing which has enabled the teachers to ascertain students' prior knowledge which then directs the learning. We will use the data to identify areas that need further consolidation before they begin high school.



Geography - A Diverse & Connected World

Students will explore countries of the Asia region and the connections Australia has with other countries across the world. Students learn about the diversity of the world's people, including the indigenous peoples of other countries. Students will explore and reflect upon similarities, differences and the importance of intercultural understanding.



Creative Arts

Visual Arts

The students will study the art of various Street artists as stimulus for their own street art inspired artworks. They will complete individual and group works of art, looking at the use of different mediums including chalk, paint and multimedia.



Music

This term in Music the children will learn to play 'Three Little Birds' by Bob Marley on the ukulele. They will also cover the music genre reggae.

Personal Development/Health/ Physical Education

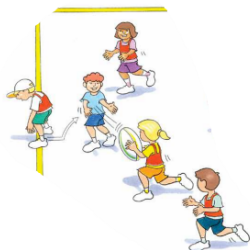
PD/Health - Peer Support

Students will lead weekly group lessons with students from Kindergarten to Year 5, to equip them with practical skills and strategies to positively navigate life and relationships. The content of these lessons focus on friendship and skills around identifying qualities of friends, maintaining friendships and being a better friend to others.

PE

Students will focus on **TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More)**.

Throughout a variety of activities, students will practise skills including dodging, passing, teamwork, object control and speed in movement. Students will participate in a Touch Football Gala Day on Friday 10th November.



Japanese

Students will focus on the culture of sport around the world and the way events such as the Olympic Games bring countries together. They will learn the Japanese names of various sports, discovering key features of the language and recognising frequently used loan words from English and other languages.

Students will begin asking and answering questions about sporting likes and dislikes, building on their knowledge of sentence structure.

Library

The students will look at Cybersafety focusing on the topics: Finding a balance in a digital world, Digital footprints and cyberbullying. They will complete the year by creating a Book Rap for the younger students.

Communication

If you need to discuss any issues with us, please feel free to write a note to send in with your child. Alternatively, if there is something specific you would like to discuss with regards to your child's progress, please either ring the school office or send an email or note to organise an appointment. **Please ensure that you regularly check Compass for relevant notifications and important updates.**

Homework

- Home tasks will be set by each class teacher, and the homework set may not look the same each week across the classes.
- A good way to gain an understanding of the work that is being done in class is via Google Classroom.
- Please ensure that students are equipped with basics such as pens, pencils and whiteboard markers, as this is extremely important as they head to high school and will not have teachers providing things that they don't have. Also ensuring their iPads are charged.

Absentees: If your child is absent, please remember to log in to COMPASS and explain the absence. If your child is late you must go via the office to sign them in.

UPCOMING DATES

Friday, November 3- Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

Friday, November 10 - 5/6 Touch Gala Day

Friday, November 17 - St Joseph's Year 7 2023 Orientation Day

Thursday, November 23 - St Edward's Year 7 2023 Orientation Day

Wednesday, November 29 - Year Six CPR Training

Friday, December 1 - Year Six Market Day

Tuesday, December 5 - Year Six Reflection Day

Monday, December 11 - Year Six Fun Day

And the big one...Wednesday, December 13

- Whole School End of Year Mass (11am)
- Year Six last day guard of honour (12:30pm)
- Year Six Graduation 6:00pm