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Term 1 2018 Kindergarten Curriculum Overview

Dear Parents,

Welcome to St Finbar's learning community. Below is an outline of the content that Kindergarten will be studying throughout Term 1.

Religious Education

The units of work studied in Religion are based on the Sharing Our Story program, developed by the Parramatta Diocese. During Term 1 we will be covering:

- God loves Me
- Lent: From ashes to Ashes



English

A structured Literacy session will occur each day. During this time the children will be actively engaged in activities that are appropriate to their ability. Learning sessions will include:

- Shared Reading
- Guided Reading Groups
- Independent Reading
- Read aloud (modelled reading)
- Speaking and Listening tasks
- Modelled, Shared and Interactive Writing

- Independent Writing



The focus for Term 1 is Imaginative writing.

Library day will be on Thursday. Your assistance in reminding your children to bring their library books in a library bag is appreciated.

Mathematics

A structured Maths session occurs each day. The session will consist of a warm up, rich task and reflection. The following areas will be studied this term:

- Whole Number
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Place Value



History

Unit: Me and my family at school

This unit emphasises the skill of social participation. It focuses on classroom routines and responsibilities, with opportunities to explore the school environment in other places and times. During the unit students will question and discuss the backgrounds, past experiences and memories of important people in their lives.

Science and Technology

Unit: What's it made of?

This unit develops the students' understanding of the properties of objects used in the school environment. Students will plan and conduct investigations to explore and understand water resistance.

Creative Arts and LOTE

We are very fortunate to have specialist teachers that work with each year group in the areas of Visual Arts, Dance and Drama (Mrs Frazer), Music (Mr Komorowski), and Japanese (Ms Androu). This term our specialist program will be:

Weeks 1-5 Visual Arts and Music

Weeks 6-11 Performing Arts and Japanese

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.

This term the students will participate in the Dance Fever program. The focus will be Gymnastics. The students will also be taught Gross Motor skills on a separate day.

Sports Uniform is required on Thursday and Friday.

Me and My Mates

Students will learn about the changes they have gone through since birth; how family members work together, how to build friendships and why we need rules to build successful relationships.

Homework and Communication

Reading is the priority homework task. Students are expected to read their home reading books each night to an adult. Students will take home readers that are *below their class guided reading level* to ensure the books can be read with minimal adult support and will allow students to work on fluency and expression.

Any remaining time should be spent completing literacy and mathematical tasks which will be sent home in a booklet. Reading diaries and home reading books are due on Mondays and new texts will be sent home the same day. Homework booklets are due Monday fortnightly (date written on homework sheet). Homework will be sent home in Week 4.

In Summary

- Please remember in the case of an absence from school to write a note for the class teacher's attendance roll including the date, child's name, reason for absence and your signature. This may also be done through the Skoolbag app.
- School uniforms will be worn Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Sports uniform will be worn Thursday and Friday
- Home readers and reading diaries are due every Monday
- Homework is due Monday fortnightly
- Library day is Thursday
- News day is Tuesday
- Please continue to keep a spare pair of underwear and socks in your child's school bag for the remainder of the year. If they have an accident at school they will change their clothing, and the dirty items will be sent home in bag.

Kind regards,

Alicia Borg

