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Term 2 2019 Kindergarten Curriculum Overview

Dear Parents,

As we begin the second term of our learning journey, we would like to give you some information about the learning that we will be undertaking. Below is an outline of the content that Kindergarten will be studying from Weeks 1-10 in Term 2.

Religious Education

The units of work studied in Religion are based on the Sharing Our Story program developed by the Parramatta Diocese. During Term 2 we will be covering:

- My Family Loves Me
- God is our Creator

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



During Term 2 we will study Imaginative and Informative writing.

Library day will be on Wednesday. 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
- Position
- Length
- 2D Shapes
- Addition and Subtraction
- Data
- Volume and Capacity
- Mass





Unit: My Special Place

This unit allows students to explore the places they live in and belong to. They examine their home as a special place. They learn about what makes a place special and how this may differ for different people. Students learn about the importance of looking after places and explore how the location of places can be represented.

Science and Technology

Unit: On the Move

This unit explores the students' experience of how different objects move and the physical properties that allow them to do so. The students will be looking at the forces of push and pull, as well as exploring mass and the various characteristics of objects that impact on their movement. Students will be introduced to the idea of computational thinking by investigating the programming and movement of Bee-Bots.

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 La Porte). 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 learn fundamental movement skills while playing with and sharing equipment. The students will also be taught Gross Motor skills on a separate day.

Sports Uniform is required on Wednesday and Friday.

Active and Healthy

Students will learn about the types of food, exercise and rest their bodies require to maintain a healthy lifestyle. Students will also learn about identifying various emotions and appropriate ways of expressing and processing these emotions.

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. In their reading log, students are also given the previous weeks sight words. Please ensure these words are discussed every night.

This term we have also introduced a homework matrix that is designed to support our teaching and learning across all Key Learning Areas. The homework will be posted on Class Dojo every Monday on odd weeks.

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.
- 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 a plastic bag.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Home Readers School Uniform Homework on odd weeks.	School Uniform	Sport Library Sport Uniform	School Uniform	Sport Sport Uniform

Kind regards,

Kindergarten Teachers Mrs Alicia Borg, Miss Georgia Hutchins, Ms Kim Waldron