

Foundation Specialist Curriculum Update

2026 Term 1



This update will be sent home to let you know what is happening in the specialist classes this term.

Science and Technologies - Cecilie

This term Foundation students are learning about daily and seasonal changes, such as sunshine, rain, wind and temperature. They are observing the weather and noticing how it can change during the day and across the seasons. Students are also learning how weather affects everyday life, including what we wear and the activities we choose. Through sharing their observations and ideas, they are building early science understanding and language skills.

Italian - Louisa

Ciao a tutti! My name is Louisa Di Pietro and I'll be teaching Italian to our Prep and Year 1 students on a Friday this year. I am also the Learning Specialist - Mental Health and Wellbeing, so I will be around and look forward to meeting all of you.

There is a strong focus on engagement through imagination and play-based learning in these early stages of learning a language. Through reading, singing, speaking and playing this term, the Foundation students will be introduced to a number of concepts, including: introduction to Italy, common greeting, some simple verbs, body parts, and objects in the classroom.

Visual Arts - Chantel

Foundation students will begin their time in the Art room exploring colour and shape. They will complete activities that involve naming colours and classifying them into groups such as warm and cool. Students will draw and identify basic shapes and use them to create a range of artworks using a variety of materials, describing their decisions and inspiration.

They will work on projects over multiple weeks and complete some tasks in their sketchbooks. Artwork will be stored at school and sent home later in the year.

We have art smocks at school, so there is no need to provide one. FJ have their art session on Wednesdays, and FS and FN on Thursdays. It's a good idea for students not to wear their best clothes on these days.

Performing Arts - Audrey

We will begin to explore fundamental principles in music - beat, rhythm, and form - through folk dance, use of body percussion and non-melodic percussion instruments. We will also start to notate basic rhythms - ta, ti-ti and rest - and consolidate our knowledge of best practice in handling classroom instruments.

Physical Education - Hollie

This term in Physical Education, Foundation students will be engaging in fun, active play that builds connection, creativity, and teamwork. Through simple, cooperative games, children will practice sharing, taking turns, and working together with others. These activities support the development of social skills, confidence, and a positive attitude towards being active, all while having lots of fun.

Reminders and Dates for the Calendar

F-2 tabloid sports- 2nd of April.