



# LEVEL NEWSLETTER

## Year One

<p><b>2026</b></p> <p><b>Term Two</b></p>	<p><b><u>BIRTHDAYS</u></b></p>  <p><b>April</b> 7th - Paul C 8th - Ysabella L</p> <p><b>May</b> 16th - Hendrix D 20th - Xavier M 23rd - Maxwell J</p> <p><b>June</b> 4th - Julien L 7th - Samantha 16th - Everley</p>	
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<p><b>Specialist Classes</b></p>	<p><b>MONDAY</b></p>	<p><b>STEM</b></p>
	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p>	<p><b>LIBRARY</b> (Please try to return books on MONDAY)</p>
	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p>	<p><b>AUSLAN</b></p>
	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p>	<p><b>PERFORMING ARTS</b> <b>ART</b> <b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION (SPORT UNIFORM)</b></p>
	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p>	<p><b>YEAR LEVEL SPORT (SPORT UNIFORM)</b></p>
<p><b>RELIGION</b></p> 	<p>This term, students will explore the season of Easter, from Easter Sunday through to Pentecost Sunday, learning about the resurrection of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit. A key focus throughout the term will be on forgiveness and restoring relationships, with students reflecting on how saying sorry and showing kindness can help us live in harmony with others. We will explore these themes through scripture, including the story</p>	

of Zacchaeus in Luke 19, as well as picture books and class discussions that bring these ideas to life. Students will also be introduced to the Sacrament of Baptism, discovering how Catholics are welcomed into God's family. Later in the term, we will explore First Nations spirituality through the work of Kirli Saunders, using stories and the concept of Dreaming to reflect on our connections to Country, community, and creation.

## SPELLING



This term, students will continue developing their spelling and phonics skills through daily spelling sessions. They will practise identifying sounds and letter patterns, blending sounds together to read words, and segmenting words into sounds to spell them. Our focus this term will be on vowel sounds and the different ways they can be represented in writing. Students will explore a range of sound-letter patterns, including the /or/ sound in words like for and more, the /er/ sound in words like bird and turn, the /e/ sound in words like tree and beach, and the /oi/ sound in words like coin and boy, among others. The full list follows.

- Lesson 74 y /e/
- Lesson 78 or, ore /or/
- Lesson 81 ir, ur /er/
- Lesson 85 ee, ea, ey /e/
- Lesson 87 ie, igh /i/
- Lesson 90 oo/u/
- Lesson 93 au, aw, augh /aw/
- Lesson 95 oi, oy /oi/

## LITERACY

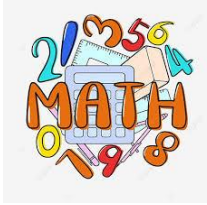
(Reading/Writing)



This term in Literacy, students will dive into our novel study, *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt. Using this fun and engaging text as a springboard, students will explore persuasive writing, learning how to form and share opinions, both in written form and as spoken text. Alongside our novel study, students will build their reading and writing skills through two knowledge-rich topics. The first explores Countries, Maps and Continents, where students will develop their understanding of our world through a range of texts and sources. The second takes us back to ancient Mesopotamia, where students will explore one of history's earliest civilisations through rich informational texts. Across all three topics, students will be developing key literacy skills including comprehension, vocabulary, and the ability to communicate their ideas clearly and confidently.

## MATHEMATICS

This term, students will explore three areas of mathematics. In addition and subtraction, they will develop their understanding of adding and subtracting numbers up to 20. Moving into counting and place value, they



will record, represent, and order numbers up to 120. They will also investigate measurement, exploring length, mass, and capacity. Across all topics, students will work with hands-on materials and take part in problem-solving sessions to put their learning into practice.

## KNOWLEDGE BASED/ INQUIRY



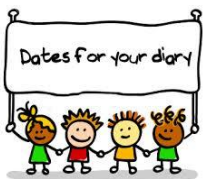
This term, students will explore both our modern world and the roots of ancient civilisations. We'll begin by building map skills, learning to read different types of maps before travelling across the seven continents and four oceans. Our Continents, Countries, and Maps unit brings to life the rich variety of people, wildlife, and landscapes found across the globe. We'll then journey back in time to ancient Mesopotamia, the land between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, where students will discover how this early civilisation shifted from hunting and gathering to farming, leading to the growth of towns and cities. As life grew more complex, new roles emerged: builders, merchants, scribes, and leaders, marking the rise of one of the world's first urban societies. Students will explore the development of writing, laws such as those of King Hammurabi, and the spiritual beliefs of the Mesopotamian people, gaining insight into how writing, government, religion, and trade helped shape one of history's earliest civilisations.

## BEHAVIOUR CURRICULUM



### Routines

- Lining up and sitting down after break times
- Calm entrance/exit routine
- Walking in roll order quietly
- Walking around the school with a partner quietly
- Understanding our classroom routine



### **Term Two Important Dates (refer to our Google Calendar as well)**

#### **APRIL**

Mon 20 School Closure Day (Staff Professional Learning)

Tues 21 Students resume

Thur 23 School Photos

Fri 24 ANZAC Prayer Service

**MAY**

- Fri 1 House Cross Country
- Tues 5 Parents and Friends Meeting (6:30pm)
- Thur 7 Sacrament of Confirmation
- Fri 8 Interschool Sports
- Sun 10 Mother's Day
- Fri 15 District Cross Country
- Wed 20 SAC Meeting
- Thurs 21 Year 5 Incursion
- Sat 23 National Reconciliation Week
- Mon 25 School Closure Day (Staff Time in Lieu)
- Wed 27 National Simultaneous Story Time (Luna Roo) Students wear PJs
- Wed 27-29 Year 3 and 4 School Camp (Sovereign Hill)
- Sat 30 First Eucharist Commitment Mass (5pm)
- Sun 31 First Eucharist Commitment Masses (8:30am, 10am)

**June**

- Mon 8 Public Holiday (King's Birthday)
- Thur 11 EMR Cross Country
- Fri 12 District Soccer Gala
- Fri 19 First Eucharist Reflection Day
- Fri 19 Summer Sports Gala Day
- Sun 21 Sacrament of First Eucharist (10am)
- Fri 26 Term 2 concludes (1pm)