

Prep 2025

Term I Overviews



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Welcome to Prep at Trinity! Our goal this year is to empower our students with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive in school. We recognise the significance of nurturing strong relationships within our school community and firmly believe that these connections are fundamental to establishing a truly enriching and successful learning environment. If you have any concerns or would like to stay updated on your child's progress, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you!

Religion and Inquiry

During Term One, the Prep students will explore the idea of community and what it means to belong. They will explore the relevance of names, places and people within our community.

Students will:

- *share stories of their families and learn more about our diverse communities*
- *learn about Sacred Spaces and how to pray*
- *investigate the origins and importance of their names*
- *discuss the different names we call God and the meaning behind these*
- *explore our neighbourhood and learn about local community members who help us*

Literacy

This term, students will engage in a variety of literacy experiences. They will participate in daily phonics lessons through our Little Learners Love Literacy Programme, in addition, students will be exposed to a wide range of rich literature texts and role play opportunities.

Students will:

- *focus on phonics and phonemic awareness*
- *orally blend and segment sounds in words*
- *learn how to write personally significant words*
- *recall one or two events from a text (picture story books, big books, class made books and non fiction texts)*
- *identify connections between texts and personal experiences*
- *identify and describe likes and dislikes about texts, objects, characters, and events*

Maths

In term one students will focus on applying a variety of mathematical concepts using real life and role play experiences.

Students will:

- create, make and continue patterns
- sequence days of the week and times of day including morning, lunchtime, afternoon and night time
- read and write numbers
- count (forwards and backwards)
- count groups and collections of objects

Wellbeing

In term one students will focus on naming and labelling our emotions.

Students will:

- explore how emotions can change the way their body feels for example, "When I am scared my knees can feel shaky"
- use picture story books and role play to explore how we can de-escalate ourselves when we are feeling upset so we are ready to learn
- be given a grade six Buddy to support with their transition into school and be a friendly face on the playground

Digital Technology

Students will use a variety of different technology tools to supplement classroom learning. They will be introduced to iPads, Chromebooks and Beebots.

Library

Students will be introduced to the library and be able to borrow books on a weekly basis. They will be required to bring in their library bag each week in order to borrow a book. Preps will be borrowing books on Tuesdays.

Health and Physical Education with Mrs McLeary - rmcleary@tcs.catholic.edu.au

During term one students will practise the fundamental movement skills of run, jump, hop and skip. They will practise these skills using different body parts and in a variety of settings. Students will also develop their understanding of basic games emphasising the need for rules and safety.

Mandarin with Mr Su - ksu@tcs.catholic.edu.au

In Term 1, Prep students will start their Mandarin learning journey through exploring daily greetings and phrases for class routines. They will build up their fundamental understanding of the language by learning vocabulary and expressions around numbers and colours. Students will be immersed in the sounds and spoken words of Mandarin, the meaning of which is made clear through participation in a range of activities in the class. In addition, students will also explore the basic features of the unique writing system using Chinese characters.

Performing Arts with Ms Stanton - sstanton@tcs.catholic.edu.au

In Term One of Performing Arts, students will engage in improvisational games and imagination exercises to build a sense of ensemble. They will build narratives as a group and will enhance their personal and social capability by naming and practising the skills needed to successfully work together. While the foundation of this class is drama, we will be introducing some elements of music this term, as students participate in rhymes and chants that work alongside a dramatic narrative.

Science with Miss Jai - jhendy@tcs.catholic.edu.au

In Biological Sciences during Term 1, Prep students will be provided with many opportunities to make observations of living and non-living things. They will investigate Trinity's indoor and outdoor environments to find examples of each. Students will determine what living things can do and what they need in order to survive. Students will identify and compare the needs of plants, animals and humans, as living things. Preps will develop their science inquiry skills and understanding of science as a human endeavor, students will share and reflect on observations, and ask and respond to questions about familiar objects and events.

Visual Art with Ms Denise - dkolokotronis@tcs.catholic.edu.au

In Term 1, Prep students will focus on the skills of drawing, painting, collage, construction, modelling, threads & textiles. Students will participate in a whole school project titled 'Mini Monochromatic Self-Portraits'. Each year level will use an assigned colour and draw a mini self portrait using a range of shades and hues of the colour. Eventually, all the portraits will be joined to complete a school mural.

Students will also complete a series of art activities related to picture books. This will allow students to experiment with a wide range of materials as well as have an introduction to art skills. Some of the projects include a collage of 'Elmer' the elephant and a construction of the 'Very Hungry Caterpillar'.

Term 1 Key Dates:

Thursday 6th Feb Parent Teacher Chats	Thursday 13th Feb Welcome Family Night 5:30pm - 7:30pm	Monday 3rd March Preps full week at school	Tuesday 4th March Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)	Wednesday 5th March Ash Wednesday
Friday 7th March School Closure Day	Monday 10th March Labour Day Holiday	Friday 21st March Harmony Day	Monday 24th March School Photos	Friday 4th April End of Term