



Year 5

Term 1 Overview

Welcome Back

Welcome back to 2026! Students have had a great first week, seamlessly transitioning back into school routines. We are excited for the term ahead, it promises to be filled with new friendships and engaging learning experiences.

Literacy

Students will be completing a novel study focusing on *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo. Each day, we will dedicate time to morphology, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension, as well as weekly sessions to further develop vocabulary, handwriting, and typing skills. During writing sessions, students will explore appositives, practice crafting and editing paragraphs, expand sentences, and use subordinating and coordinating conjunctions effectively.

Math

This term in Year 5, students will be deepening their understanding of data representation, multiplication and division, factors and multiples and perimeter and area. They will learn to interpret and present data effectively, apply multiplication and division strategies to solve problems, and explore the relationships between factors and multiples. A key focus will be achieving fluency with multiplication facts, which is essential for their confidence and success in mathematics.

Religion

This term in Religious Education, Year 5 will be exploring the powerful story of The Resurrection from Luke 24:1–12. Students will reflect on the significance of this event, and the message of hope and new life it portrays. Through discussion, storytelling, and creative activities, students will deepen their understanding of faith. We look forward to thought-provoking conversations and meaningful reflections as we journey through this important part of the Easter story.



Spelling Mastery

We begin our Spelling Mastery groups, developing students' knowledge of literacy fundamentals. Through highly structured targeted lessons, they will focus on enriching their vocabulary using phonemic, morphemic, and whole-word approaches.

Respectful Relationships

The Year 5's will be exploring 'Emotional Literacy' and develop an awareness of their own emotions and learn how to respond to the emotions of others with empathy and understanding. Through discussions and activities, students will build a vocabulary to identify their personal and cultural strengths, reflecting on the values they have learned from their families and communities. By recognising these strengths, they are discovering how to navigate challenges, foster positive relationships, and treat others with kindness and respect.

Topic/Knowledge Rich Curriculum

Students will explore Australia in the 1800s, examining what life was like during this period and how the Australian environment shaped the way people lived. They will learn about early European settlement, the impact of colonisation on the land. In the second half of term students will investigate how internal and external structures support survival, growth, behaviour, and reproduction in plants and animals. Through this learning, students will develop an understanding of how specific adaptations enable living things to survive and thrive in a variety of environments.

Homework

Homework is set each week on Monday, and due back on a Monday **fortnightly (odd weeks)**. Homework involves a reading log and Maths sheets (teacher provided). Students are expected to read 10 nights in the fortnight, write it in their log sheets and get a parent to sign it off. For the beginning of Term 1, students will have previous NAPLAN style questions (maths and language conventions) to prepare them for NAPLAN in March.



Important Dates

13th March- Athletics

23-25 March Camp Rumbug

March - NAPLAN

Year 5 Timetable

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LITERACY	SPECIALIST	LITERACY	SPECIALIST	ASSEMBLY
LITERACY	SPECIALIST	LITERACY	SPECIALIST	LITERACY
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
MATHS	LITERACY	MATHS	LITERACY	LITERACY
MATHS	LITERACY	TOPIC	LITERACY	MATHS
RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS
RRRR	RELIGION	Class Sport	MATHS	TOPIC

Spelling Mastery

Monday: 10:30

Tuesday: 12pm

Thursday 12 pm

Friday 10:30

Buddies fortnightly

Sport uniform Tuesdays and Wednesdays