

YR 5

TERM 4



NEWSLETTER



WELCOME BACK

As we begin this final term of Year 5, we wanted to extend a warm welcome back. We are excited to embark on a fantastic final stretch with your children, filled with meaningful learning, fun projects, and preparations for the next exciting chapter in their school journey.



LITERACY/TOPIC

This term, our literacy lessons will be integrated with a knowledge-rich curriculum focused on STEM, with a special emphasis on technology, coding, and programming. Students will develop key literacy skills as they read, write, and discuss these exciting topics, deepening their understanding of how technology shapes our world. Through hands-on activities and creative projects, they'll also learn the fundamentals of coding and programming, preparing them for the future while building their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Students will dedicate time every day to morphology, fluency and comprehension as well as time each week to enhancing vocabulary, handwriting and typing.

Beginning week 5, we will be reading *Dirrarn*, the sequel to *Black Cockatoo*. During this novel study, students will describe how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors use symbols and imagery to share cultural perspectives and stories in texts.

SPELLING MASTERY

Our students will continue with their Spelling Mastery groups, deepening their understanding of literacy fundamentals. Through highly structured targeted lessons, they will focus on enriching their vocabulary using phonemic, morphemic, and whole-word approaches.

RELIGION

Students will be exploring key scripture passages that highlight the ancestry of Jesus, known as the Jesse Tree. Through these stories, students will learn about important biblical figures and how they are connected to the birth of Christ. This journey through scripture will deepen their understanding of the Advent season.

MATHS

This term we will be looking at data, statistics, chance and probability, adding and subtracting fractions and measurement (volume). We will also be using Times Table Rock Stars to encourage fluency in multiplication. Further practise of times tables at home is encouraged.

CLASS SPORT

Students have PE on a Wednesday and class sport on a Friday. Students are asked to wear PE uniform on these days.



SWIMMING

Students will participate in our school swimming program from Monday 18th Dec - Thurs 28th Dec. Further details to follow.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

The Grade 5 students have begun their "Leadership" program in class as part of their preparation for Grade 6 in 2025. At Sacred Heart, we expect all students in Grade 6 to be leaders, taking on additional responsibilities throughout the year. The program focuses on developing leadership skills, values, and attitudes that are crucial for effective leadership, aiming to maximise each student's potential.

IMPORTANT DATES

Please see newsletter for further updates on important dates.

HOMEWORK



Homework is assigned every Friday and is due the following Friday, two weeks later. The homework consists of the following tasks:

1. Reading Log: Students should read for at least 10 nights during the two-week period. They must record this in their diaries and have a parent sign it off.
2. Maths Sheets: Students are required to complete two maths sheets. We encourage them to highlight any problems they would like clarification on from their teacher during correction time.

Additionally, if time allows, students are encouraged to log into their Typing Club account to practice touch typing, as well as their Times Table Rockstars account to enhance their fluency.

