

# GRADE 4 CLASS NEWSLETTER TERM 1, 2025

#### FROM THE TEACHERS...

Welcome to a wonderful year of learning in the Middle 4 unit. We look forward to many exciting opportunities to learn, share and grow together.

Please make sure your child on the first day of school has their hat, drink bottle and health food. Limit the number of wrappers in lunchboxes.

We are looking forward to a great year ahead. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher should you have any questions. Our email addresses are attached to the bottom of this newsletter.

## **Religious Education**

- We are learning to deepen our relationship with God through prayer.
   We will have opportunities to be involved in different prayer experiences as individuals and in community.
- We are learning to identify the various purposes for prayer. We will describe when and how we pray and engage in various forms of prayer.
- By the end of the unit, we will be able to recognise that prayer involves a relationship with God and recall times they have experienced prayer.
- Identify the different purposes and types of prayer within the Catholic Tradition.
- Name some of the ways the Church honours Mary through prayer.

#### **OUR TERM 1 LEARNING INTENTIONS**

# **English**

- We are learning to write a persuasive and narrative texts.
- We are learning through a Middle Years Novel Study of 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and 'Leo and Ralph', that is knowledge-driven, including embedded non-fiction.
- We are learning to engage in-depth and extended discussion and understanding of texts, through reading and responding to queries from our class novel.
- We are learning to build our vocabulary through our class novel.
- We are learning a variety of grammar and punctuation strategies, which we can embed in our writing.
- We are learning to use letter-sound relationships and less common letter combinations to spell words.
- We are learning to clearly form our joined letters on the dotted third lines, making sure our letters are consistent in size.

## **Mathematics**

- We are learning that quantities can be combined and separated to form new quantities.
- We are learning that fractions and decimals can be used to represent parts of whole numbers.
- We are learning that time is used to quantify, measure, or compare the duration of events or the intervals between them.
- We are learning that quantities can be shared and grouped into equal groups.

#### Inquiry

 We are learning to consider ethics, customs, hobbies and sports, and people who are important in their lives as we develop cards to play in 'The Game of Life'. We will learn

which health messages in the media are safe to trust and how to say no when someone is pressuring them.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January Grades 1-6 Start
- Friday 31st January Foundation Start
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February Gr 3-6 School Swimming Carnival
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March Ash Wednesday
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March Labour Day Public Holiday
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March Learning Conversations (Pupil Free Day)
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March Staff PD Day (Pupil Free Day)
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April Last Day of Term 1,
  2:30pm finish

#### **SPECIALIST DAYS**

Performing Arts	Fonua- Tuesday Mott- Thursday Smith- Thursday
Visual Arts	Fonua- Thursday Mott- Thursday Smith- Tuesday
Indonesian	Fonua- Thursday Mott- Tuesday Smith- Thursday
Physical Education	Wednesday & Friday
Library	Monday

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