

### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

# Year 1 Curriculum Note Term 3, 2020

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Dear Parents.

We finally made it to Term 3 and we are very excited for the learning ahead of us! The students are already settling in well with their routines and are ready for a great term of learning.

During Religious Education, students will be learning the importance of the stories in the Bible, why we should have reverence when listening to the liturgy of the Word and how we can apply these stories to our everyday lives. In English, students will be learning about how to identify the features and structure of a narrative so that they can write their own version of a popular fairy tale. Maths will be extending students on their current knowledge, as well as begin to look further into understanding simple maths problems. We are also looking at integrating Indigenous perspectives into our Geography, Dance, Art, and Health lessons.

### **Curriculum Learning**

Please find below an overview of the topics we will be covering this term, hoping this will enhance the student's learning through family discussion, reading and sharing.

#### Religious Education

#### **Unit 1: Stories of God's People**

This unit presents stories from both the Old and New Testaments. The parables of the Kingdom – Yeast, Hidden Treasure and Precious Pearl – are told. Then stories of 'Joseph' and 'Moses and the Burning Bush' are told. The unit develops the concept of the Bible as sacred, telling us about God's relationship with people.

#### **Unit 2: Love One Another**

This unit focuses on the concept of relationship. It begins with the children's experience of friendship and broadens to the Christian way of relating to others. It then focuses on forgiveness and gratitude in relationships through two Gospel stories -'How many times must we forgive?' and 'The Ten Lepers'.



PB4L in the classroom is a behaviour management system used to communicate clear behaviour expectations based on our 3 schools rules.

#### Be Respectful

- Look and listen to the speaker
- Follow instructions the first time
- Raise your hand and wait for your name before speaking
- Use your inside voice and friendly words
- Knock and wait to be invited into a room

#### Be Responsible

- Stay on task at all times
- Complete learning jobs
- Use classroom resources with care
- Keep resources in their correct place
- Be prepared with learning materials.
- Use IT for classroom learning tasks

#### Be Safe

- Sanitise hands before eating and before entering the classroom
- Respect other people's personal space
- Walk at all times
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Store bags in designated areas
- Chairs under tables and four on the floor
- Seek permission to leave the room

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## **Curriculum Learning**

#### **English**

The English curriculum for Year 1 places a strong focus on the development of literacy. Students listen to and enjoy texts that entertain, inform and persuade, such as picture books, non-fiction and film. Students grow into more independent readers, learn to create a range of different texts and become more confident when they communicate.

#### This term students will:

- listen to, read, view and talk about simple imaginative texts, stories, films and some online
- independently read books and discuss what they have read or viewed with other students, teachers or family
- continue to sound out or recognise words and use simple punctuation, such as capital letters and full stop
- create short imaginative texts using growing knowledge of text structures and language features
- use more precise vocabulary to describe emotions and experiences when writing
- respond to a wide range of texts through discussing, writing and representing
- discuss the place of Dreaming stories in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander life
- identify, explore and discuss symbols of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and recognise recurring characters, settings and themes in Dreaming stories
- spell a number of common words correctly and write in sentences
- add pictures to what they write
- reread and edit their writing for spelling, punctuation and text structure

#### **Mathematics**

Mathematics in Year 1 places a strong focus on the development of numeracy. Students are introduced to mathematical symbols and language to communicate and explain mathematical ideas; they pose basic mathematical questions and develop simple strategies to investigate and solve simple problems.

#### This term students will:

- identify and continue patterns and count by 2, 5 and 10.
- revise doubles and add numbers to 20 and beyond.
- identify times on an analogue and digital clock and learn "half hour".
- use place value to partition number eq 25 + 8: 25 is 20 + 5, so 25 + 8 is 20 + 5 + 8, which is 20 + 13.
- identify 3D shapes and their features.
- learn the strategy of bridging to 10 to add multiple numbers eg 17 + 5: 17 and 3 is 20, then add 2 more.
- understanding the concept of "chance" and the outcome of events.
- describing repeating patterns and odd and even numbers.

#### Human Society and Its Environment

#### **GEOGRAPHY- Features of Places.**

This term students will investigate the natural and human features of places. They will describe the reasons places change and identify the active role of citizens in the care of places. They will learn about how people describe the weather and seasons of places. We will also explore activities occurring in places and how the spaces within places can be used for different purposes.

- Our key inquiry questions are:
  - What are the features of, and activities in,
  - How can we care for places?
  - How can spaces within a place be used for different purposes?

#### **Creative Arts**

#### **Visual Arts**

This unit aims to explore drawing from memory as well as from observation. The students will look at and discuss works by contemporary Indigenous artist Ian Abdulla who likes to recall events from his childhood.

They will also draw carefully from direct observation using banksia flowers and they will begin to learn about and appreciate abstract art as they identify and name shapes that they see and create new artworks from these.

#### **Dance**

Through participating in the Creative Arts - Dance uni, students will compose dance moves based on folk dances used in celebration from different cultures, using the elements and contexts of dance. They will then perform and appreciate their own dance and that of others. The students will listen to and appreciate appropriate music to support their dance performance and discuss the reasons for their choice.

#### Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

#### **Physical Education: Throwing and Catching**

Students will learn to control a ball when they are rolling and bouncing, throwing and catching, on their own, with a partner and in a group. The unit progresses the children from simple underarm catching to simple overarm throwing and on to an underarm sling for throwing quoits. They will also develop tracking and receiving skills and learn to move in different ways, changing direction, speed and locomotors quickly. These are essential skills for playing ball games. The students will also gain experience of playing some simple team games, following rules, competing, and supporting each other to win.

#### **Gymnastics: Animals Unit**

Teaches students to travel safely in different ways, at different speeds and levels. They bounce, hop, hopscotch, gallop, skip, tiptoe and run in different directions. They learn to jump safely on the ground and onto and from equipment. They jump and roll into different shapes and put contrasting movements together to make sequences that they remember, repeat and perform. They think about why they exercise and consider each other's performances, evaluating and improving their work.

#### **Health: Nutrition and Community**

Students will plan and practice strategies to promote health, safety and wellbeing. They will investigate the role of good nutrition in promoting and maintaining our health and wellbeing. Students will investigate resources available in helping maintain good nutrition and investigate food packaging to understand how information on food labels can help them make better food choices. Students will look at ways to access community resources to seek help about health, safety and wellbeing. They will also explore Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders understandings of special places and the connection of these places to physical activities.



#### **Morning Arrival**

Students are expected to be at school before the first bell at 8:50am.

#### Absentee notes

If your child is absent for any reason, it is very important that parents inform the school via the Compass Parent Portal for whole day absences. This is a legal requirement.





Students are required to read each night, Monday through to Thursday for 20 minutes. Reading must be recorded in the home reading log and signed by parent/carer. Parents can support their child's reading development by listening to, reading with and discussing the text with their child each night. Useful sites for parents include;

- Parents' guide to reading at home
- Reading with your child at home

**1J and 1M**- Please remember each <u>Friday</u> to bring in home reading folders and reading logs. Books will be swapped each Friday and logs returned (unless there are school interruptions).

Students have the option to access the various websites and apps used in the classroom to further support and consolidate learning.

#### Habits of Mind

#### What are the Habits of Mind?

The Habits of Mind are a set of 16 thinking skills that intelligent thinkers use to solve problems in which the answer is unknown. Researched and developed by Arthur Costa & Bena Kallick, these thinking skills or habits, are present in the best decision makers.

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Habits of Mind is knowing how to behave intelligently when you DON'T know the answer. It means having a disposition toward behaving intelligently when confronted with problems, the answers to which are not immediately known: dichotomies, dilemmas, enigmas and uncertainties. Art Costa

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Here at St Joseph's we use the Habits of Mind to focus on how to respond under challenging conditions that demand reasoning, critical thinking, insightfulness, perseverance and creativity. Having information is important but knowing how to act on it is learning at a higher level.

#### The 16 Habits of Mind are:

- Persisting
- Thinking and communicating with clarity and precision
- Managing impulsivity
- Gathering data through all senses
- Listening with understanding and empathy
- Creating, imagining, innovating
- Thinking flexibly
- Responding with wonderment and awe
- Thinking about thinking (metacognition)
- Taking responsible risks
- Striving for accuracy
- Finding humour
- Questioning and posing problems
- Thinking interdependently
- Applying past knowledge to new situations
- Remaining open to continuous learning



#### 1. Persisting

Stick to it!

Persevering in task through to completion; remaining focused. Looking for ways to reach your goal when stuck.

Not giving up.



#### 2. Managing Impulsivity

Take your time!



#### 3. Listening with understanding and empathy

Understand others!

Devoting mental energy to another person's thoughts and ideas; Make an effort to perceive another's point of view and emotions.



## 4. Thinking flexibly

Look at it another way!

Being able to change perspectives, generate alternatives, consider options.



#### 5. Thinking about your thinking (Metacognition)

Know vour knowina!

Being aware of your

own thoughts, strategies, feelings and actions and their effects on others.



#### 6. Striving for accuracy

Check it again!

Always doing your best. Setting high standards. Checking and finding ways to improve constantly.

Thinking before acting; remaining

calm, thoughtful and deliberative.



# 7. Questioning and problem posing

How do you know?
Having a questioning attitude: knowing

what data are needed & developing questioning strategies to produce those data. Finding problems to solve.



#### 8. Applying past knowledge to new situations

Use what you learn!

Accessing prior knowledge; transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.



# 9. Thinking & communicating with clarity and precision

Be clear!

Strive for accurate communication in both written and oral form; avoiding over-generalizations, distortions, deletions and exaggerations.



#### 10. Gather data through all senses

Use your natural pathways!

Pay attention to the world around you Gather data through all the senses. taste, touch, smell, hearing and sight.



#### 11. Creating, imagining, and innovating

Try a different way!

Generating new and novel ideas, fluency, originality



# 12. Responding with wonderment and awe

Have fun figuring it out!

Finding the world awesome, mysterious and being intrigued with phenomena and beauty.



# 13. Taking responsible risks

Venture out!

Being adventuresome; living on the edge of one's competence.

Try new things constantly.



#### 14. Finding humor

Laugh a little!

Finding the whimsical, incongruous and unexpected. Being able to laugh at one's self.



## 15. Thinking interdependently

Work together!

Being able to work in and learn from others in reciprocal situations.

Team work



# 16. Remaining open to continuous learning

Learn from experiences!

Having humility and pride when admitting we don't know; resisting complacency.

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WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS

Each morning students will participate in Crunch and Sip. Please ensure your child has fresh fruit or vegetables to crunch on at this time in a reusable container.

Drink bottles (Water) will also become part of the classroom environment so students can keep their brains well hydrated throughout the day.



To reduce waste and develop positive habits and awareness of the environment students are asked to use reusable containers each Wednesday for all food items.



### Year I Events/Responsibilities



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Library Borrowing		Sports Uniform		Home Reading folders.
		Waste Free		ioluers.
				Sports Uniform

Please remember should you have any further concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office to make an appointment.

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Kind Regards,

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