



YEAR 1 TERM 4 NEWSLETTER

Welcome back everyone! We hope that you had a relaxing two weeks. Thank you for all of your support last semester, we really appreciate it!

IMPORTANT DATES

Please refer to school newsletter/update for these as the term continues.

Year level Mass - Friday 14th October

Twilight sports - Monday 17th October

School closure day - Monday 31st October

Swimming program - 14th - 25th November

St Johns Fete - Saturday 19th November

Final day for students - Friday 16th December. 12:30 dismissal.

LITERACY

WRITING

We will be focusing on a variety of text types, spelling, punctuation, handwriting and revision.

Text types:

- Procedure texts
- Descriptions
- Narratives

Students will be learning about text structure and language, exploring a variety of topics and expanding their vocabulary.

READING

Each week, the students explore the different components of reading through a variety of activities. This includes fluency, expression, comprehension and phonological awareness.

Home Learning Opportunities

Home learning opportunity to support writing:

All your child needs is a blank book and a pencil! This is a place for them to play with ideas and words. It is not graded, it is simply an activity that encourages writing practice and nurtures creativity. An example of this could be: your child finds an interesting looking feather, they stick it in the middle of a page and write different words to describe it. They might think of a story about the feather and write it on the page too!

Home learning opportunity to support reading:

Listening to your child read each night. Taking in turns and reading to your child are opportunities to model expression and fluency. Ask them a few recall and a few 'why' questions on occasions about this reading.

RELIGION

In our Religion unit, ***What if we were all responsible?*** We are learning that as active participants in a global community, we have rights and responsibilities to ensure justice and equity for all. Some scripture stories that we will focus on include:

- Feeding of 5000
- The Poor Widow
- The Good Samaritan.

We will also have a large focus on Advent leading up to Christmas.

MATHS

We will be learning a range of topics and mathematical skills.

- Fractions
- Patterns
- Money
- Revision of some topics that we covered earlier in the year
 - Addition
 - Subtraction
 - Location
 - Time

INQUIRY

Our Inquiry Based learning this term focuses on “What if we were all responsible?” The students will explore the things they are responsible for and design and create an object to support their responsibility; school, home, community and environment.

We are really looking forward to another fantastic term with our lovely Year 1s!

Please feel free to contact us if we can support you or your child in any way.

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