

Year 6, Term 4, Learning at Queen of Peace Whole School Focus – Scientific Innovation.



Literacy

In Reading, we are continuing literature circles. where we are focussing on making connections to the book and expanding our vocabulary. In Writing, we have started the term writing narratives with a focus on writing for a specific audience and writing for an impact. We are presenting oral presentations on an important scientist or engineer with a focus on good eye contact, voice projection and appropriate slides.

Faith Life Inquiry

Throughout the month of October, we have been praying the Rosary and have presented a live rosary to the whole school.

In our topic 'Scientific Innovation' we are looking at how people use their gifts of the Holy Spirit to work together to benefit the needs and wants of society.

We are looking at three different types of science -Physical Science, Chemical Science and Earth Science. In Physical Science we have focused on electrical circuits and solar energy.

In Chemical Science we have focused on solids, liquids and gases.

In Earth Science we have focused on composition of the earth and natural disasters.

Mathematics

In Maths, we are looking at Volume and Capacity. We are also exploring Cartesian Coordinates and have been plotting our own Cartesian Quadrants. Following this, we will be learning about various angles and how to measure and draw them using protractors. We will then be learning about the order of operations (BODMAS). At the end of the term, we will be looking at chance and probability using simple ratios.

Specialists

Sport: In Term 4, Year 6 children are participating in a Fitness unit. They have tested their fitness by completing a Beep Test. They will participate in a range of activities designed to improve various components of fitness, especially their aerobic fitness. They will complete the unit by participating in another Beep test to be able to assess their fitness improvement.

Music: The children participated in activities preparing for "Music Count Us In" which was held on November 1st. The learning tasks included researching how the song was created, recorded, and the performance style of the instruments used in the song. The children will continue recorder playing, identifying features and following formal notation. They will combine aspects of the elements of music and use performance skills to play simple melodies while exploring various styles, tempos and rhythmic patterns.

Italian: During Term four, the students will be learning about the history of Pompeii. They will also take part in an experiment of an erupting volcano. The students will learn about the story "Il Piccolo Capitano, a story which involves Italian language about transport. This topic will include learning about Italian

cars. We will finish off the term with information about an Italian Christmas and activities.

Visual Art: In Term 4, the Grade 6 children began the term by mounting and presenting their own artworks, for the Art Show. They continued exploring and extending their understandings about lines and shapes and how they can be exaggerated and distorted. The children learnt about Warli and Picasso and they drew Picasso inspired Cubist faces. They modelled the faces in clay before painting them. The children will continue the term with a variety of Christmas art.