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Curriculum Newsletter Year 3

Term One 2019

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Belonging and Moral Formation

The creation of our Class Vision is the initial focus for this term. Students will explore aspects of Christian Life and Sacred Texts. They will learn how the Scriptures provide a foundation for moral living, focusing particularly on the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes. The Easter Story is an integral part of Religious Education this term, beginning with Ash Wednesday on the 6th of March.



ENGLISH

Writing

In Term One, students will further explore the generic structure of Persuasive Texts. As always there will be a strong focus on the concepts of audience and purpose and how these can impact upon the style and structure of written text. Aspects of punctuation and grammar will also be covered.

Reading

The students will continue to engage with a variety of texts as they evolve into independent readers. Daily reading is essential. This should include home readers and library books the children have borrowed. They will have opportunities to continue to improve their reading fluency, word attack skills and comprehension strategies. A literature study will also be undertaken this term.

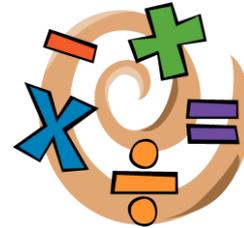
Speaking

Each term students will present an oral on an assigned topic in order to build speaking and listening skills and will have informal opportunities to build these skills during class discussions.



MATHEMATICS

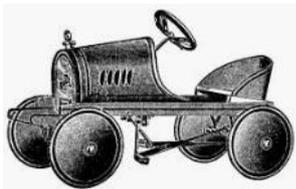
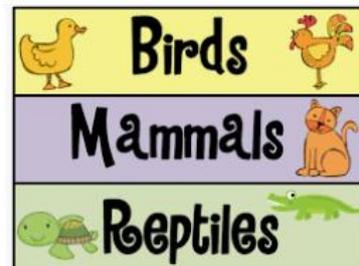
Many of the concepts and skills are designed to review and extend students' understanding of Number Concepts such as recognising and representing numbers to 10 000. Addition and subtraction strategies will be explored in greater depth and we will begin to explore multiplication and related division facts (x2, x10). In particular, the use of mental strategies will be encouraged and mental maths activities will be an important part of daily lessons. Monetary units, digital and analogue times, 2D and 3D shapes and chance and data collection will also be revised and investigated.



SCIENCE

Biology

We will be focusing on the Strand of Biological Science to discover that living things can be grouped on the basis of observable features. Activities will develop students' knowledge of animals and plant classifications and how the study of palaeontology has enabled us to understand patterns and relationships of prehistoric living things. There will also be an excursion to Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary later this term.



HASS

Students will explore the representation of Australia as states and territories, as well as Australia's major natural and human features. Within the History strand, the students will embark upon a deeper experience of this wonderful area in which many of us live, Wynnum Manly, by identifying similarities and differences from the past to the present.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mrs Mann

In Term 1 students take part in fitness-based lessons with a focus on distance running. Students develop a basic understanding of concepts such as pacing, running rhythm and how the body changes during exercise. Pupils take part in an Athletics unit of work in which they learn the techniques used to perform in running, throwing and jumping disciplines. Throughout this unit, pupils gain knowledge of the rules in these athletic events.



	<p style="text-align: center;">MUSIC</p> <p><u>Miss Muir</u></p> <p>'<i>Musical Imagination</i>' is the topic of study for Year Three students in Term One. Students will explore how the elements of music are used to tell stories, create pictures and ideas when listening to music. Music literacy, singing and glockenspiel skills will continue to be a focus, as students develop their critical and creative thinking.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">DRAMA</p> <p><u>Mrs Ellis-Vestor</u></p> <p>Welcome to another exciting year of Drama! This term Year Three will be introduced to the core Elements of Drama; these are the building blocks upon which all Drama is created. Focusing on the elements of role and relationships students will explore how to use their bodies, voice and facial expression to create character.</p> <p>There will be an overarching focus on teaching and fostering the skills of collaboration, trust, self-expression, and respect, which are essential to learning in the drama room.</p>	
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Term One Date Claimers	
Thursday 14 th February	Opening Mass
Friday 15 th February	Leadership Assembly 9:00am P & F Welcome BBQ 5:30pm
Friday 1 st March	School Cross Country (Years 1 – 6)
Wednesday 6 th March	Ash Wednesday
Thursday 21 st March	Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary Excursion
Wednesday 27 th March	Whole School Vision Liturgy
25 th – 29 th March	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
1 st – 5 th April	Holy Week Celebrations
4 th April	3 Red presenting Holy Week Liturgy
Friday 5 th April	End Term One
Tuesday 23 rd April	Begin Term Two

