



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 2, Term 4 Overview 2020

Welcome to Term 4! We are looking forward to an exciting final term and the celebrations to come.

RELIGION

The Modules being studied this term are:

- Land. People. Spirit
- Advent to Christmas



ENGLISH

● **Speaking/Listening:** We will continue to practise good listening skills as well as comprehending through listening using a paired reading and talking program. The students will continue to take part in a daily listening task where they are focusing on developing comprehension skills while being good listeners. We will be using the I pads to support students in expressing their thoughts and ideas.

● **Reading:** We will be focusing on different types of texts through shared and modelled reading and will use this time to explicitly teach comprehension strategies, grammar and spelling. Year 2 will be linking English reading tasks with our Geography unit by reading 'Are We There Yet?' by Alison Lester. Independent Reading and Home Reading: Readers will continue to be on Wushka and Vooks. We can track the reading each day and monitor the children's progress. These books set on Wushka are **instructional level** to increase fluency and confidence in oral reading which promotes comprehension. Those students who are considered fluent readers will read library or home books. It is essential that students are being asked questions in relation to what they have read or to retell main events to support their comprehension of texts. All students will be required to read each night as part of their homework. **It is very important at this age that ALL children practise reading aloud at home, no matter how well your child can read.** This ensures they pay attention to their accuracy, expression and fluency.

● **Writing:** Children's writing will focus on persuasive and information texts. Through the text, we will develop writing strategies and explicitly teach how to proofread and edit the students writing. Spelling, grammar and comprehension are included in writing lessons.

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be exploring Number and Algebra with a focus on integrating the four operations with fractions. We will then continue to look at Measurement and Geometry focusing on area, length and mass. In Statistics and Probability, we will explore the gathering and representing of data. Children will work on open-ended tasks at their ability levels to develop problem-solving skills.

GEOGRAPHY

In our Geography unit will be going on a journey around Australia. This is an exciting opportunity for students to engage with their nation and learn about the different landmarks and the vast culture. Students will engage with a range of scales, exploring Australia as a nation, as well as in the context of the world. This also fits in very well with the Religion Unit which looks at Aboriginal culture.



PDHPE

'Leadership Habits for Life' is our final unit which allows students to consolidate core habits based on our Leader in Me program and how to utilise those skills in their everyday lives. This unit encourages students to

take initiative and display leadership in every aspect of their lives. Fostering attentive and observant behaviours which can assist students to take calculated risks and be aware of safe choices, specifically focusing choices that affect them and those around them.

P.E. is taught by Mr Nosti on **Monday** and Class Sport is taught on **Wednesday**. All children are to wear their sports uniform on **Tuesday and Wednesday**.

CREATIVE ARTS

In our final term we have constructed a unit to complement both our Geography and Religious Education units. Focusing on the 'making' phase and 'appreciation' phase students will develop their own Australian artworks through techniques boasting Australia landscape and Aboriginal techniques.

Mrs Forster will teach Music and Drama on **Monday**.

LIBRARY

Library day is **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has their library bag with them.



Homework

The children will complete spelling sorts, EMU 200 hits and associated activities. Homework may also be linked to other curriculum areas. Please remind your children to return all homework by Thursday. **Reading each night is crucial**. The recommended time frame for homework is up to 30 minutes per day including reading.

Housekeeping

- We encourage all students to bring a full water bottle each day, especially as the weather begins to warm up.
- All items and Uniforms should be clearly labelled
- In the event of an absence please inform via Compass or the office.
- **All students require headphones**
- The children are encouraged to bring a book of interest from home for silent reading.
- We are happy to be contacted by email or phone but please be aware that we may not be able to reply until the following day.



If you have any questions or concerns, we encourage you to make an appointment to meet with us. As you realise, mornings are very busy so we would appreciate your assistance in making an appointment for a mutually convenient time.

We are excited for a fruitful final term for the year.

Warm Regards,

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