Grade Overview

Welcome to Kindergarten, Term 4!

Term 4 is a very busy Term for Kindergarten!

This Term Kindergarten will be participating in swimming lessons in weeks 8-9.

Kindergarten also has the opportunity to watch the birth of a chicken and will learn to care for its needs.

At the end of this term the students will be participating in a presentation about the Christmas Story.

We are encouraging the students to bring vegetables to school as part of our new Crunch ‘N’ Sip Program.
Subject Overviews

The Subject overview will give you a sense of what your children will be focusing on in class. These could be the things you talk to your child about through the term.

Religious Education

Advent
During this term students will explore the concept of waiting as they are led to appreciate that Mary and Joseph waited for the birth of Jesus. The Christmas story will be told through the stories of the Annunciation and the birth of Jesus. Students will be presented with the Good News that Jesus is the promised Saviour, the gift of God.

Mission
Students will understand and appreciate Christian mission by loving others. They will extend their understanding of mission from their personal perspective to the broader world.

English

Speaking and Listening
This term students will be involved in daily reporting tasks, GEM group tasks, cooperative tasks, structured play activities and formal speaking tasks.

Writing
Students will engage in daily writing tasks. Students will write imaginative, informative and persuasive texts based on shared book experiences. They will use sight word knowledge, phonic knowledge and word bank lists when writing.

Reading
Students will be involved in concepts of print, phonemic awareness, listening tasks, shared reading tasks, and guided reading sessions. Focusing on the use of text, developing and using a variety of reading strategies and comprehending what is read.

Mathematics
Students will be involved in tasks that allow them the opportunity to construct ideas and focus their attention on mathematical strategies. They will be involved in tasks, which allow them to use their skills in addition, and subtraction, multiplication and division. Students will be involved in tasks that expose them to the concept of mass, volume and capacity.
Science and Technology

What’s it made from? In Science and Technology lessons this term students will identify the materials that objects are made from. They will investigate the properties, and design of these products. Through observation, questioning, exploring and reporting the students will build their knowledge to apply this new learning across all Key Learning Areas. Students will have the opportunity to witness the birth of a chicken and identify how to care for its needs.

Creative Arts

During our Creative Arts lessons the children will be recognising some qualities and techniques of different artworks and how an artist is able to represent the qualities of animals. The students will be provided with opportunities to talk about what they have used to represent the texture and detail of their animal or farm object.

The children will have Dance lessons with Mrs. Moore on Wednesdays.

Personal Development, Health

During Personal Development and Health lessons we will be looking at ways that students can keep themselves safe and they will identify options that are available when making simple decisions.

The children will continue to have PE lessons with Mr Jones on Wednesdays. Sport sessions will continue each Friday and will focus on maintaining an active lifestyle through games, fitness and sport.
General Information

- Our sport day will be Wednesdays and Fridays
- Homework will be handed out every Monday. It is encouraged that students continue to practise their sight words at home.
- Please ensure that your child is dressed in the correct full summer uniform.
- Please ensure that your child is wearing appropriate sport shoes with white socks on their sports day.
- Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm – Thursday 29th October 2015
- Swimming Program will take place in Weeks 8 and 9. Further information will be sent home closer to the date.
- Guided reading books will be brought home everyday for the children to practise their reading. We request that parents help in ensuring that these books are kept safe and returned to school each day for the children’s lessons. The students are provided with a separate folder for them to place their books in.
- Please ensure that the note folder is returned to school everyday and we request that parents look through the folder every night for notes that have been sent home.