Welcome to Term Four.

We have a very busy term with swimming, the Christmas Story, reports and the end of year Mass and awards.

Children are learning to be responsible, independent learners by organizing themselves. They look terrific in their summer uniform and we are all enjoying the warmer weather.

All of Year Three completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge they are to be congratulated for their commitment to reading.

Wednesday

Sport and Music alternate weeks.

Library borrowing is Wednesday so please be sure to return your books.

Friday

Grade sport so wear Sports Uniform

Homework books are to be returned on a Friday every fortnight.
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**

Our first topic in Religion is Mission: Reaching Out

Our focus is Timor Leste and comparing what we have to those in the villages of East Timor. The Scripture passages we look at include the commissioning of the twelve Apostles and the many gifts given to us by God.

In our Advent unit, students will discover that during the Old Testament times, the prophets reminded the chosen people of their covenant with God. Advent is a time of preparation and how the people involved in the Christmas story got ready for the birth of Jesus.

**English**

Writing experiences will focus on imaginative writing for a purpose, focusing on sentence structure and using paragraphs. We will also develop writing informative texts linked to our Human Society and its Environment/History unit.

Comprehension remains a major focus this term particularly the skills of inferring and connecting ideas.

**Mathematics**

During Mathematics this term areas covered will include addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions and decimals, chance and time.

We will also be exploring problem solving using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

At home, children can practice their counting from any given number and try counting forwards and backwards. They also need to continue to learn their multiplication facts.
Human Society and its Environment and History

Last term we had a great day out at Lane Cove National Park. This term our unit is part of the new History syllabus: Community and Remembrance. Students learn about identity and diversity in both a local and broader context. Moving from the heritage of their local area, students explore the historical features and diversity of their community as represented in symbols and emblems of significance, and celebrations and commemorations, both locally and in other places around the world.

Creative Arts

Our Creative Arts lessons will incorporate many different artistic techniques related to our English and History topics.

The children will continue to have music lessons with Mrs. Moore on each alternate Wednesday.

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

During Personal Development and Health lessons we will focus on the topic Safe T. This unit lets children revise and consolidate concepts of road and bus safety as well as how to ride their bikes safely on the road and in the community

The children will continue to have PE lessons with Mr Jones. We will also have sport sessions in which we will focus on developing skills needed for team activities.
General Information

Our sport day will be Wednesdays and Fridays.
The swimming programme will take place during Weeks 8 and 9 of this term.
Could you please ensure that your child has pens, pencils, a 30cm wooden ruler, glue and coloured pencils when they return to school. **We have many students who are not bringing a glue stick to school or don’t replace it once used.**

Homework needs to be completed during the two weeks allocated. It covers work being completed in school or work that needs to be consolidated by children.

During Term Three we had a great time growing bean seeds, dressing up for Book Week, our excursion to Lane Cove National Park and making our String Art for Father's Day.