



St Paul's Catholic Parish Primary School
Albion Park

***"In the richness of our Catholic
Faith and tradition
We achieve excellence"***

Term 3 Overview

Year 4

Welcome to Term 3, Year 4 2017. The following information will be helpful to you this Term.

Class Teachers:

Year 4 Red: Mr Andrew Edwards

Year 4 Blue: Miss Amy Harrison

School Support Officers: Mrs Vanessa McGeehan, Mrs Lynne Arblaster



RELIGION:

The two units the children will be engaged in are:

One With God's Creation

This unit explores the wonder and beauty of God's creation and investigate ways students can live in harmony with the world. Students identify that they are part of the Church which continues the mission of Jesus to reach out in justice to others.

Mary, Mother of God

This unit explores the way in which Mary listened and responded to God in the events of her life. It highlights the importance and challenge in the Christian life of listening and reflecting and trusting in the ways of God. It explores Marian prayers and feast days as ways in which the Church honours Mary, the Mother of God.

ENGLISH:

Term Three will commence looking at poetry and its place as a form of an imaginary text. Students will have opportunities to read, listen to, analyse and present a variety of different poems. After poetry, the focus will shift to persuasive texts and their purpose, audience and features. As in previous terms, sentence structure, grammar and common spelling rules and cursive writing will be explicitly taught each week. Students participate in weekly group rotations where a range of skills including reading response and writing will be practised. Children will read to teachers and peers on a regular basis and be involved in critical reading groups each week focusing on comprehension strategies.

Library borrowing: Fridays for 4 Blue and 4 Red.

MATHEMATICS:

Mental Computation and Number Sense. The following content areas will be revised and taught this Term:

- Whole Number
- Multiplication & Division
- Addition and Subtraction
- Volume and Capacity
- Mass
- Area
- Chance



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT and HEALTH and PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

Personal Development / Health: Drugs Affect Me and Others/Road Safety
Physical Education / Sport: (Tuesdays and Fridays) Dance and TBall



CREATIVE ARTS:

Drama: Elements of Drama

They will learn about: creating dialogue, exploring body language and expressive movement through role play, the importance of costume and props to enhance stories and audience behaviour.

SCIENCE/GEOGRAPHY: Survival of the Sustainable

This term, students will engage in an integrated unit combining content and outcomes from the Science and Geography syllabuses focusing on analysing how people, places and environments interact and about the management of places and environments. Students will analyse and explore current sustainable practices and their effects. They will develop an understanding of human action on the environment and the survival of living things.

Teacher Relief: Mrs Angela Spaccavento and Mrs Monica McCann will provide teacher relief on Friday.

Physical Education: PE uniforms will need to be worn on Tuesday and Friday.

Library: Friday

Crunch and Sip: Crunch and Sip is a set break to eat fruit or vegetables and drink water during class time each day. Please encourage your child to pack a healthy snack. Drink bottles are in class all day.

Homework: Homework tasks will be set weekly this term. In addition to this, **children are expected to:**

- Read daily (at least 20 minutes. Record in Homework book)
- Complete unfinished work when needed
- Complete any assignments

We expect to see all children arrive at school prior to the bell as our Learning and Teaching commences at 9 am. If your child is late they could miss the introduction and explanation of the first lesson of the day, which is English. So it would be great to see all their smiling faces on the morning lines for a happy, stress free start to their day.

A few important REMINDERS

Morning Arrival

Your child is expected to be at school before the first bell at 8:52 am. The second bell rings at 8:55 am. This is when school commences. The front pedestrian gate will be locked at this time. All late arrivals after this time will need to be signed in at the front office.

Absentee notes

If your child is absent for any reason it is very important that we receive a note on his/her return to school, as it is a legal requirement.

If you are going away on a family holiday for more than 3 days please contact the school office, as it is a legal requirement that you fill out an Application for Leave form. This form needs to be submitted at least two weeks prior to the leave.

Complaints Handling Procedures

A reminder - If there are issues arising about life at school and your child's learning, please approach your child's teacher about the problem.

To do this please make an appointment through the School Office for an agreed time to address the issue. Please do not approach teachers on morning assembly lines on their way to class. At that time they have teaching responsibilities and need to be free to do their best work in the classroom to sustain a positive learning environment.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of that meeting, then make an appointment through the School Office to speak to the member of the School Leadership Team who works with the relevant stage:

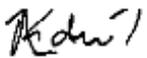
Early Stage 1 (Kinder) and Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) – Mrs Lisa Mammone – Middle Leader
Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) – Mrs Janet Sykes – Acting Assistant Principal
Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) – Mr Simon Farrugia – Acting Assistant Principal
and Religious Education Coordinator

In the event that one of these Leadership Team members are absent the matter will be referred to Mrs Easton.

Please make an appointment with the teacher and or Stage Coordinator to discuss your concerns. Emailing issues does not always solve the problem, as a meeting will be necessary anyway.

We are always happy to meet with you to discuss your child. We would ask that you put any requests in writing so that a time that is mutually convenient can be arranged. Many thanks.

We are looking forward to an enjoyable term together.



Mr Andrew Edwards
Year 4 Red Class Teacher



Miss Amy Harrison
Year 4 Blue Class Teacher