# Year Two 2020

# Curriculum Overview Term Three

The primary school curriculum is divided into seven Key Learning Areas (subjects). Below is a brief outline of what we will be learning in each of these areas throughout Term 3

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3!

I trust that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. It's great to see all Year 2 students again and we are looking forward to a busy and productive full term ahead.

# Housekeeping

- Notes, phone call or emails must advise reason for absence. <a href="mailto:catherine.gualtieri@dbb.catholic.edu.au">catherine.gualtieri@dbb.catholic.edu.au</a> and <a href="mailto:kathryn.McCamey@dbb.catholic.edu.au">kathryn.McCamey@dbb.catholic.edu.au</a>
- Crunch and Sip at 10am each day FRESH fruit or vegetables and water.
- Home learning grids is sent home on Monday and returned on Friday.
- Reading is expected every night and is to be annotated in the reading log as children progress into independent readers they may wish to read novels from home and may not necessarily take readers from the class.
- · Library on Wednesday.
- Extra Sport on Thursday
- PE and Music on Friday.

If you have any questions or concerns, as always, please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you!!

Cathy Gualtieri and Kath McCamey- Year 2 Teachers

#### **English**

<u>Reading & Viewing</u> Guided reading takes place in groups. Children are monitored and assessed regularly and groups are fluid. Children will continue to develop their understanding of the following comprehension strategies;

\* activating prior knowledge

\* predicting

\* self monitoring

\* questioning

\* making connections

\* visualising

\* summarising and retelling

\* inferring

\* synthesising

### Writing and Representing, Spelling and Grammar

The integrated unit will provide opportunities for students to explore narratives and information texts. Spelling is integrated throughout our reading and writing program and will address points of need of individual students.

## Speaking and Listening and Vocabulary

The emphasis of Term 3 is on Public Speaking. Children have already started work on this by presenting a poem about the beach. Later in the term the children will all be encouraged to prepare a short speech of no more than 2 minutes about a place in Australia they have visited.

# Religious Education

Year Two will be developing their knowledge of the Sacraments of Initiation.

The students will learn more about the meaning of the sacraments through a study of the ritual actions and symbols used in both Baptism and Confirmation.

The class will explore the sacrament of Confirmation as completing Baptism. The students will review that Baptism is a celebration of their initiation into God's family.

#### **Mathematics**

Students will participate in the Mathematical strands individually, in groups and as a whole class through a variety of activities. Maths challenges are set at student's level of understanding. Children will be focusing on developing persistence when challenged by new concepts. Supporting tasks can be also found on Study Ladder and Seesaw

This terms overview of concepts is as follows:

Whole Numbers
Addition and Subtraction
Multiplication and Division
Fractions and Decimals

Patterns and Algebra 2D Space 3D Space Length

As mentioned in term one I will be focusing on Growth Mind set development and Maths challenges are set at student's level of understanding. Children will be focusing on developing persistence when challenged by new concepts.

## Geography

#### Features of Places - Bush to Beach

In our geography unit the students will investigate the local area of Narrabeen.

Students will explore Maps and their features. Students will also analyse their personal connections to places in our local community.

This learning is shaped by three small inquiry questions, which vary in length.

What are features of the coast? How do we use local spaces? (Narrabeen Lagoon) How can we care, protect and change local spaces?



#### Creative Arts

Visual Arts:

This term the children will look at digital form, investigating photography and landscapes. This is linked to our Geography unit.

In Music Mr Warby will continue his music program for stage 1.



# Home/Classroom Technology Supports

Children are constantly learning about technology. Last term we began to use some of the tools found on Google Drive. This term they will be exposed to tasks being set for them on Google Classroom.

#### Homework

All children are expected to read each night and fill in their Reading Log, weekly. We encourage children to read books of interest, they may borrow from our class, school and local libraries.

Children will be given a Maths Game to play each week that will help to enhance their understanding of place value and their recall of number bonds. The games can be differentiated, and children are encouraged to play them nightly.

This term they will also be preparing their speeches for our public speaking unit.

# Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)

Students will participate in sports lessons led by our specialist **PE** teacher, Mrs Nicola Frost, on Friday. We have an extra games time on Thursday so both days children are to wear their Sport Uniform.

Term 3's unit is still to be confirmed and an email will be sent shortly to parents.