

### Curriculum Information for Term 2 2022 for Year 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2. In the interests of parent engagement, and the hopes that you will ask your child about their learning, this is a quick and simple guide to what your child is focusing on this term in Year 1.

Our **Religious Education** unit this term is 'Bible: Stories of People in the Old Testament'. In this module, students will explore some of the stories of significant people of the Old Testament who helped to reveal God to people of their time. This module will build on the Old Testament modules explored in ES 1, the First Creation story and the story of Noah. It will contribute to the students' understanding that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, its value being in our interpretation of what it means in our lives.

This term in **English**, our reading program continues through our Guided Reading/Literacy Group sessions. Students will be working on a variety of reading strategies to deepen their comprehension including predicting, questioning and making connections. Students will further develop their comprehension skills, grammar, vocabulary and writing skills. Our writing focus this term is focusing on persuasive, informative and imaginative text types linked to this term's History unit. Recounts are a weekly event as we discuss and write about the weekends and events. Children will also have many opportunities to use oral skills to discuss their work and report on individual and group findings and practice handwriting in weekly handwriting lessons. Spelling will be taught through the five key spelling strategies- sound, visual, meaning, connecting and checking and practised through words related to weekly spelling rules, personalised words and theme words.

In **Maths** students will continue to develop and deepen their understanding of number through a variety of open ended warm ups. Additionally, Maths tasks will cater for all student levels through open ended questions and differentiated tasks, which allow all students to feel both challenged and yet supported. There will continue to be a focus on teacher questioning and students will be encouraged to share their strategies used. Strands we are covering this term are Whole Number, 3D Space, Multiplication and Division, Area, Fractions and Decimals, Mass, Position, Volume and Capacity and Time.

This term we will be doing a **Science and Technology** unit titled 'Materials Fit For Use'. The key ideas covered include that everyday materials can be physically changed in a variety of ways, that different materials can be combined and that the different properties of materials enable them to be used for particular purposes. Students will be involved in a variety of hands-on experiments in order to observe, question and collect data.

In **History** we will continue our unit on 'Past and Present Family Life'. This topic provides a study of present and past family life within the context of the students' own world. Students learn about similarities and differences in family life by comparing the present with the past. We will have a particular focus on comparing toys from the past with toys from the present.

**Creative Arts-** This term students will be creating art linked to the topics of our History Unit and Religion themes. Music lessons will continue with Mr Warby on a Friday.

**PDHPE-** This term students will be exploring the topic "Asking for Help" which will be taught by Mrs Pearce. Class sport will remain on a Tuesday.