

St Joseph's Curriculum Newsletter Kindergarten Term 4, 2022

Curriculum Information for Term 4 2022 for Kindergarten



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. We can't believe we only have one more term together! We have had an amazing start to Term 4 with our Taronga Zoo excursion. We had a blast, and it was a great introduction to our new science topic. This term we also have the school musical which is always such a fun and exciting event for students.

This term Mrs Windon will be going on leave from 11^{th} of November to have her baby. Miss Caitlin Nelson will be replacing her and working alongside Mrs Jarman for the remainder of the year.

Just a reminder to make sure your child has their blue reading folder in their bag everyday as we use these most days especially in Literacy.

During Term 4 we are continuing our new CSBB Early Stage 1 **Religious Education** curriculum using play-based principles and resources. This program now moves into the Advent Season and focuses on the Birth of Jesus.

This term in **English** the main areas include such things as: extending their recognition of print around the room and sight word lists associated with our Geography and Science unit particularly traditional stories, recognising initial, medial and final sounds in words, reading a variety of age appropriate texts, writing recognisable words in writing, reading sight words with increasing difficulty, making attempts to spell unknown words, interpreting instructions from teachers and peers, demonstrating attentive listening and asking appropriate questions. We are focusing on writing and extending students through sentence structure, spelling, and sounding out unknown words. The types of texts we will be focusing on are Narrative, Information Report, Factual Recount, Procedure and Description.

In **Maths** students will participate in the Mathematical strands individually, in groups and as a whole class through a variety of activities. They will manipulate Mathematical materials exploring the concepts of:

Whole Number, Length, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions and Decimals, Mass and Volume and Capacity. We will be exploring Maths particularly through open-ended problem-solving activities to fully engage, challenge and extend thinking. *Things to practise at home; Counting forwards and backwards from any given number to at least 100. Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Pairs of numbers that add up to 5 or 10. Eg. 2+8 =10, 4 +6 =10. Doubles of numbers up to 10 +10.

Board games with numbers eg. Snakes and ladders.

This term we will be doing a Science and Technology unit titled Exploring Living Things: Plants & Animals-

In this unit students will explore a variety of living things, identifying their basic needs, including food and water. Students will describe what plants and animals, including humans, need to stay alive and healthy, e.g. food, water and air. They will also identify the needs of a variety of living things in a range of situations, e.g. pets at home, plants in the garden or plants and animals in bushland and/or on farms. We have kick started this unit with our excursion to the zoo, all students had an amazing day!

This term we will be continuing our Geography unit titled 'People Live In Places- Our Community.' Students explore the places they live in and belong to within our local community context. They develop an understanding of what makes a place special and how this may differ for different people. Students learn about the importance of looking after places. Students explore how the location of places can be represented.

Creative Arts- This term Kindergarten will be carrying out art using variety of media and skills linked to our Geography and Science topic. We will also be having a school musical

PDHPE- This term will be focusing on **Staying Healthy.** Students will explore strategies and behaviours they can incorporate into their daily lives to maintain and promote their emotional, social, and physical health and wellbeing

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

LIBRARY DAY- Tuesday

Class Sport - Sports Uniform - Thursday

MUSIC/PE DAY- Sports Uniform - Friday

News/Change Readers – same timetabled day as Seesaw Post

Canteen - Monday and Friday – (this depends on volunteers and a compass notification/newsletter update will be sent if canteen is not open)

School Musical – 24th November - Dress Rehearsals in the day and performance will be in the night at Sacred Heart Mona Vale School Hall. Further details will be emailed via compass – please make sure you are checking these.



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