

### Curriculum Information for Term 4 2023 for Kindergarten

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4. The year has gone so quickly, and it is hard to believe that there is only one term left in kindergarten! Term 4 is full of lots of fun as well as preparing each child for the move to Year 1 in 2024. Thank you for all your ongoing support to help your child make such a positive start to their time at school this year and ongoing for the future. **We are especially looking forward to going on an excursion to the zoo in a few weeks time!**



#### RE

During Term 4 we are continuing the CSBB Early Stage 1 **Religious Education** curriculum using play-based principles and resources. The Term 3 program includes learning about Advent and the events before and after the birth of Jesus and the celebration of Christmas.



#### ENGLISH

In Term 4 we will be continuing to use the new K - 2 NSW **English** syllabus with a lesson structure that highlights foundational literacy skills. The content is structured and sequenced to highlight the connections across **oral language, reading fluency, comprehension, and writing** and underpinned by the latest international research.

**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.**



#### MATHS

The new K- 2 Maths syllabus recognises the critical importance of early mathematics skills in the early years of school. Through the study of mathematics, students develop essential concepts and skills and apply them to deepen their understanding of the world. In Kindergarten in Term 4 we will continue to develop and explore mathematical skills especially through stories and texts that use numbers and mathematical concepts as well as lots of practical hands-on activities using “concrete” materials.

**How to help at home with Maths during Term 4:** Counting forwards and backwards, connecting counting and numerals to quantities, identifying the number that is 1 more or 1 less than a given number, recognising and counting equal and unequal groups of objects, recognising and describing patterns, combining and separating quantities, recognising and describing 2D shapes, using the language of time to compare and measure the duration of events and read time to the hour on analog and digital clocks.



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. *The excursion to the Zoo which includes an educational workshop will be an important and exciting part of our learning in Science this term!*

This term we will continue 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-** In Term 4 Kindergarten will be carrying out art using variety of media and skills linked to our Science topic particularly focussing on the theme of animals.

**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-** Thursday - Please bring library bag and books to be returned

**Basketball/Class Sport** – Sports Uniform - Thursday

**MUSIC/PE DAY-** Sports Uniform - Friday

**News/Change Readers** – same timetabled day as throughout this year.

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

### Communication

If you wish to contact me please email [alison.jarman@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:alison.jarman@dbb.catholic.edu.au) , message me through the Seesaw app or call the School Office to arrange an appointment.