

# Term Overview

## TERM 2 IN PREP, 2018

### Religion

#### **God's Gift of Creation**



By the end of this unit, students will have explored the concept of creation being a gift from God, and our responsibility to look after that gift through the choices we make as good stewards of creation. Students will also have explained ways they can personally care for creation.

### English

#### **Writing**

Students will be developing their writing skills, with a focus on correct space, correct use of capital letters and full stop. They will work on hearing and recording sounds in words, writing sentences. We will be looking at the structure of writing basic sentences and reports.

#### **Word study**

Students will continue to work on the sounds letters make using Little Learners Love Literacy (LLLL). The focus will be on b,h,n,o,d,g,l,v,y,r,e,qu,z j,u,k,x and w. We will continue to make words by combining these sounds b-e-d, d-o-g.

#### **Reading**

This term, we will be introduced to the LLLL books and will be reading these both at school and home. The Heart words will be the focus for both our reading and writing e.g. was, are, for etc and will be sent home for students to practice as well, as they will be regularly tested on their recognition of these words. Regular Focused Teaching Groups will occur using various reading strategies targeted for children's particular needs, including: Book Orientation, Sound awareness, Decoding words, Letter / Sound relationships, Rhyming Words and Simple Punctuation. Various independent activities will also be planned to enhance reading skills and allow for different learning styles.

### Computer

Children will use simple computer programs to work on hand eye coordination using the mouse. They will begin to log on and off the computers and shut down correctly. Reading Eggs and Targeting Maths will be two of the programs we will be using.

#### **Inquiry Unit: The Sea and Me**

Students will explore sea life and the environmental issues faced by sea creatures. They will discover that people's actions can have a negative and positive effect on sea life.



### Mathematics

**Number:** Students will continue working with numbers and exploring more than and less than. They will also learn to make a collection by combining two groups of objects.

**Measurement and Geometry:** Students will explore Time: Days of the Week, Months of the Year and Lapsed Time.

**Statistics and Probability:** Students will create class picture graphs as a way of displaying data.

### Personal Learning

Students will work on skills involved with working in groups such as taking turns and sharing. Students will work on being independent by carrying their **own bags** and changing their **own readers**.

### Physical Education

In Physical Education this term, students will be involved in the Perceptual Motor Program aimed to assist the development of children's gross motor skills and therefore assist with the development of fine motor skills. Their fundamental movement and motor skills also will be developed through participation in individual and small group activities. They will continue to practice following instructions, respond to the whistle and cooperate with others.

### Art

This term students in Prep will continue to settle into routines and experiment with the tools of Art. They will also begin to learn about some of the Elements of Art including colour, line and shape. These concepts will be linked to their Inquiry unit, Under the Sea. Please make sure that your child has a smock for Art on Wednesday's.

### Performing Arts

In Performing Arts this term, we will be learning through the art of Music. Our learning focus will be on Beat, Rhythm and Pitch. These aspects of music will be taught using the Upbeat program. Students will also be exposed to various instruments of an orchestra. We will end our term with an Open Stage Day - an opportunity for all students to perform for their classmates. A wonderful way for all students to develop confidence!