English

**Reading and Viewing**
This term students will begin the Literature Circle Reading Program which involves reading and discussing a shared text with peers and completing comprehension activities.

**Writing**
Throughout this term children will be focussing on Narrative and Persuasive Writing and their construction. The Reading to Learn Program will be used to assist the understanding and construction of these genres. They will enhance their pieces through conference work that will focus on punctuation and grammar rules, spelling and editing.

**Speaking & Listening**
Children will have opportunities to develop skills required for; asking clarifying questions, reporting back to groups and responding appropriately when part of an audience.

Maths
Aspects to be covered this term will include:

**NUMBER & ALGEBRA**
- Place Value
- Integers
- Factors and Multiples
- Addition & Subtraction strategies
- Multiplication & Division strategies
- Problem solving strategies
- Number facts e.g. prime, composite, triangular and square numbers.

Religion

**My Mission in the Faith Community**

**Key understandings:**
- The fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit strengthen Christians to live and share Jesus’ mission.
- Saints and Spirit-filled people are disciples who use their gifts to share in Jesus Christ’s mission.
- Confirmation is a sacrament of Initiation that strengthens people to live as Jesus Christ taught and to contribute to the mission of the Church.

**Lent to Easter: We are Transformed!**
**Key understandings:**
- In Lent we consider and reflect on choices that bring about healing and reconciliation.
- The Church celebrates healing and reconciliation during Lent through the sacrament of Penance.
- The stories, rituals and symbols of the Easter liturgy are signs of God’s hope and transformation.

Integrated Studies

**The Wonder of Living**

**Key Understandings**
To understand that the human body is made up of a number of different systems e.g. muscular, respiratory, skeletal, etc.
To understand the physical and emotional changes for girls and boys.
To be mindful of other people’s feelings and emotions and understand how this helps us to sustain healthy and positive relationships.

Physical Education

In PE sessions this term, students will be working on building their skills in:
- Team work games
- Striking and fielding in T-20 cricket
- Invasion games in Basketball

Art

During Art this term Grade 5/6 students will be creating artwork based on their Inquiry unit, The Wonder of Living and also experimenting with Science themed Art. It is essential that students bring a smock to these lessons in order to participate rather than observe!

Performing Arts

This term in Performing Arts we will be focusing on Drama – Improvisation. We will be developing our improvisation skills and learn to risk-take with our peers.

Social and Emotional Learning

This term the students will focus on the strategies they need to develop time management, organisational skills and positive social interactions. This will encompass the ability to set goals, work to timelines, judge their own successes and treat one another with respect. They will also focus on skills to assist them for lifelong learning such as resilience and persistence.

Information & Communications Technology (computers)

The focus will be on developing skills in:
- Google applications such as Drive, Classroom and Docs.
- The correct and safe use of the internet including safe searching, understandings of copyright and critically thinking about what they read online.
- Use Study Ladder to reinforce concepts taught in class.