

# PREP Term 3,2018

## Religion

### **Belonging to God's People**

Students learn that when we are baptised we become a member of God's family and members of St Mary's Help of Christians Parish. We will become familiar with the sacred symbols and objects of the church.

### **Mary MacKillop**

Students will learn about Australia's first saint, St Mary of the Cross and the work she did for the people of Australia.



## English

### **Writing**

Students will continue to develop their writing skills focusing on writing simple reports. They will write two sentences using conjunctions such as and or because to connect their ideas.

### **Little Learners Love Literacy**

Students will focus on letter combinations such as ll, ff, ss, ck, sh, ch, th, ng i.e. two letters that make one sound. there will also be a focus on consonant blends such as st, br, nt etc which can occur at the beginning and the end of a word.

### **Reading**

Good Literature will be used to develop a love of reading. Books will also be used to further explore our phonics approach to reading as well as looking at developing other reading skills such as comprehension.

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. Students will begin to develop some word processing skills.

## Mathematics

**Number:** Students will use concrete materials to explore basic subtraction. Students will begin to identify, continue and create patterns using colour and shape.

**Statistics and Probability:** Students will pose simple yes and no questions to collect data and then present information in a variety of picture graphs.

**Measurement & Geometry-** Students will explore the length of objects using terms such as longer than, shorter than and will attempt to measure objects using informal units such as blocks etc.

## Inquiry: From Farm To Table (Science)

The Preps will learn that there are different types of farms and that farm animals produce different products for human use. They will also come to understand that farm products go through changes.



## Physical Education

In Physical Education this term, students will be working through a number of activities that focus on improving their fundamental motor skills, developing better hand eye coordination and more complex skills for participation in sport specific games. They will continue to practice following instructions and cooperate with others.

## Art

This term students in Prep will continue to explore the Elements of Art, including colour, line and shape. They will also be creating and making artwork which will be linked to their Inquiry topic, From Farm to Table. Later in the term they will be doing activities based on Father's Day and Footy Fun Day.

## Performing Arts

The Preps will explore movement in response to stimulus such as words or stories. They will imitate ideas presented by another dance or teacher. They will describe in words the movements they and others create.

## Italian

During this term the students will begin to:

- gain an understanding of the letters and sounds in the Italian alphabet
- introduce themselves, greet and farewell the teacher
- identify numbers 1-10
- identify the colours of the Italian flag
- identify the shape of the country as seen on a map

Students will focus on Rome and the Colosseum.



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