Year 4/5 Term 1 Overview 2015

Religion
- The Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit
In this unit the students will explore the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit which help people to live and respond to others. They will study the fruits of the Spirit which are visible in people through their words and actions.
In this unit the students will reflect on the ministry of Jesus during Holy Week. They will participate in practices that live out and celebrate God’s generosity.

ENGLISH
- READING
This term the children will begin their Independent Reading Program, which involves reading a text at school and responding in a variety of ways. We will also include comprehension, grammar and spelling tasks during this time.

- WRITING
Throughout this term children will be focussing on Narrative and Persuasive Writing and their construction. They will continue to 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 and clarifying questions, reporting back to groups and responding appropriately when part of an audience.

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

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)
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.

INTEGRATED STUDIES
Our term topic is based on the broad concept of ‘COMMUNITY.’ The students will focus on LEADERSHIP and the skills and qualities that are required to be an effective leader, including Relationship Skills, Self-Management, Responsible Decision Making and Social Awareness.

I.C.T.
This term students will refine their skills with the use of the school network and Microsoft office programs. Students will begin to familiarise themselves with the applications available to them in Google Apps for Education (GAFE). Student’s attention will constantly be drawn to the correct and safe use of the internet. This will include safe searching, understandings of copyright and critically thinking about what they read online.

PERFORMING ARTS
This term in Performing Arts we will be focussing on Drama – Presentation of a simple running script with character voices. We will also be learning liturgical songs in preparation for celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation.

ART
During Art this term Year 4/5/6 students will be creating artwork using paint and plaster so it is important that all students bring a smock or old shirt along on Wednesdays. Lessons will be linked to their Integrated Studies unit on Leadership and we will also start to investigate ANZAC Day through art.

P.E.
Students will be learning strategies and tactics useful in team game situations - mainly in Down Ball & Netball. They will focus on team work and sportsmanship through their participation in Interschool Sports and Athletics.