



Year Prep Overview Term One 2020

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Literacy

Reading and Viewing

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

Writing

Students will be involved in Language Experience writing. They will spend time talking about personal experiences and use these ideas to generate sentences when writing. We will use a class notebook to stimulate writing ideas. Children will work on correct pencil grip, text direction and full stops.

Word Study

We will continue to develop our Phonemic Awareness by segmenting words, listening for initial and final sounds and identifying rhyming words.

Little Learners Love Literacy: M, S, F, A, P, T, C, I

We will look at the sounds the letters make and begin to formulate words using these sounds e.g. cap, sat, sit etc.

Speaking and Listening

The Preps will explore turn taking and speaking appropriately in the classroom and around the school. They will also participate in activities that will help them to learn each other's names.

Numeracy

Number and Algebra

Students will explore numbers to ten. They will learn to form numbers correctly and count a collection of objects using one to one correspondence. They will learn about numbers before and after and a given number and explore number patterns. They will explore the skill of subitising, i.e. automatically recognising dot number patterns, as on dice, without counting.

Measurement and Geometry

Sort, describe and name familiar two dimensional shapes.

Religion

Praying to Jesus the Good Shepherd

Students will learn that prayer is talking to and listening to God. They will be introduced to the Prayer Space and the objects and symbols that make up this space. They will become familiar with some of the stories of Jesus' life and make comparisons to their own lives.

Following Jesus, Loving and Serving.

Students will learn about Lent and Holy Week and will be introduced to the stories of the Washing of the Feet and the Last Supper.

Social and Emotional Capabilities

Students will work on skills involved with, working in groups such as taking turns and sharing. They will work on being independent for the start of the school day by carrying their own bags. Students will work on co-operative skills such as raising their hands, packing up and other classroom routines. We will also work on basic manners.

Integrated

Me, My Choices and My School

Domains Covered: Health and Personal Learning

Understandings:

- People in our school work and play in many groups
- When people work in groups everyone has their own strengths and their part to play
- The choices people make impact ourselves, others and our learning

Digital Technology

Children will use simple computer programs to work on hand eye coordination using the mouse and keyboard. Students will also have the opportunity to become familiar with the school Ipads.

Physical Education

In Physical Education this term, students will be introduced to the structure of the PE lessons. They will practice following instructions, respond to the whistle and develop a sense of movement in an open space. They will experience both indoor and outdoor environments.

Performing Arts

In Performing Arts this term, our learning focus will be to become familiar with the Performing Arts lesson and also to become aware of keeping safe. We will be moving our bodies to music, using our faces and bodies to express emotion and doing some simple improvisation.

Art

This term, students in Prep will be introduced to the routines associated with coming to Art each week and being creative! There will also be a focus on colour and shape linked to their Integrated Unit, as well as activities relating to Easter. Can you please ensure that your child has a smock for Thursday's. Thank you,
Mrs Zimmerman

Italian

Benvenuti! My name is Signor John and I am the Italian teacher at St Mary's

During Term One, the Preps will begin learning the Italian numbers 1-10 as well as simple introductory Italian greetings. Songs, games, dance, cartoons, puzzles, art activities and role-plays are all incorporated in our weekly learning. Should you have any questions at all about the LOTE/Italian program, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school on any Wednesday or Thursday. Signor John