



Year Two

TERM 2 CURRICULUM NOTE

Term 2 in Year Two

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2. We hope you had a relaxing holiday break.

Below is an outline of what we will be covering in all Key Learning Areas throughout Term 2 as well as important dates, reminders, and the specialist timetable.

Homework will be given on a Monday, and it will need to be completed by Friday morning. The MathsOnline homework will continue throughout the term. Homework also includes daily reading and sometimes an extra learning task from another subject area (this will be sent home in a sheet format).

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Mother's Day Mass:** 12th of May
- **School Photos:** 24th of May
- **Faith and Learning Walk:** 30th of May
- **Family Mass:** 24th of June

SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

- Library: Monday
- Creative Arts: Thursday
- PE: Monday and Thursday - Sports uniform to worn on these days.
- History: Thursday

REMINDER

COMPASS: All student absences must be recorded on Compass. If your child is late to school, they must be signed in at the office using the Compass kiosk, by a parent/carer. If your child is being picked up early from school, they must be signed out at the office using the Compass kiosk. Please see the attached information on how to record student absences on Compass.

GENERAL REMINDERS

- **Please ensure your child is in complete school uniform each day, including a hat.**
- **Homework will be due on Fridays.**
- **Students will swap their library books on Monday.**

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Religious Education

Year 2 will be focusing on the significance of Catholic education and the history of both our local parish and Sacred Heart. We will also focus on the core scripture of the Good Samaritan.

Mathematics

In Mathematics this term, Year Two will continue working within the new K-2 Syllabus. This syllabus enables the development of students' natural ability to think logically, solve puzzles and apply these skills to real life problems. This new syllabus is adapted to reflect the needs, interests and abilities of all students. Concepts to be studied this term will include; representing whole numbers, combining and separating quantities, 2D and 3D spatial structure, non-spatial structure (for example time), forming groups, data and chance. Homework will include weekly units from our 'MathsOnline' digital platform.

English

In English this term, Year Two will continue working within the new K-2 Syllabus. They will be given opportunities to speak, listen, read, and write every day. They will explore literature, and develop their understanding and ability to respond, through concepts of context, narrative, character, imagery, and representation. They will plan, create, and revise texts written for different purposes, whilst focusing on including paragraphs, using knowledge of vocabulary, text features and sentence structure. Students will continue develop fluency in their reading, by practicing reading with expression, accuracy, and appropriate pace. Explicit teaching of spelling strategies will occur daily using the whole school approach of Sound Waves.

HSIE-History

Present and Past Family Life

In Term 2, students will explore significant people, buildings, sites and natural environments in their local area. Students learn why historical sites are important and use this understanding to investigate the importance of a local historical place. Students also examine technology from the past and how it has changed and investigate what impact it has made on people around the world.

PDHPE

Children will explore how their safety depends on the environment and the behaviour of themselves and others – Child Protection. The students will participate in a physical education lessons with Specialist Teacher Miss Duck. Physical Activity with the Year 2 class teachers will focus on game skills.

Science and Technology

Year 2 will be focusing on Forces: Push and Pull. Students will engage in investigations of forces they experience in everyday life, activities will incorporate a range of technologies. Students will further develop their understanding of how forces and energy can be used for specific purposes in products.

CAPA

In Performing Arts this term, Year 2 are exploring music through engaging with the elements of pitch, duration and dynamics using the syllabus outcomes of performing, listening and organising sound.

Year 2 will participate in several learning tasks in Visual Arts. This will include Art Appreciation as well as exploring various media used in artwork and the opportunity to develop their skills. At times, the work will correlate with our History and Religion Units.