



Welcome to Year 1!

Year 1 Staff:

Teachers – Mrs Melissa Fuller (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri)

Mrs MaryAnn Landwehr (Thursdays)

Education Assistant – Mrs Georgie Harley (Mon, Tues, Wed)

IMPORTANT DAYS

MONDAYS –

The Arts with Mrs Langan
Digi-Tech with Mrs Hodgson
Canteen open for Lunch
Early Close 2:30pm

TUESDAYS –

Library with Mrs Young (please bring library bag)
Science with Mrs Hodgson

THURSDAYS –

Sport with Mrs Langan (please wear Faction tshirt)
Canteen Open

FRIDAYS –

Assemblies and Masses (as marked on the planner)

Welcome to all our Year One families for 2019. We are very excited to get to know the students even more this year and look forward to seeing each child grow and flourish throughout our time together.

HOMework REMINDER

No formal homework will be sent out in the first 2 weeks, as this is our settling in period and gives us time to learn the children's abilities. More information about homework will be discussed at the Parent Information Evening on February 14th.

WALKER LEARNING INVESTIGATIONS

This will continue this year, alongside Mrs Mullholland's Preprimary class. Investigations will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. A timetable will be developed and given out along with the parent information booklet at our upcoming Information evening. We are always on the look out for donations! If you have anything you think that we may find handy, please don't hesitate to see us!

DATES TO REMEMBER – Term 1

14th Feb – Parent Information evening
1st March – Pupil Free Day
4th March – Labour Day Public Holiday
15th March – St Pat's Day Mass (dress in green)
1st April – Parent/Teacher Meetings
8th April – Pupil Free Day
11th April – Easter Hat Parade
12th April – Easter Mass 9am
Pam Corker Visit
Last Day of Term 1

PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Should you have any queries or concerns and require to meet with myself, appointments can be made before school (8:00 – 8:30am) or after school (3:15 – 4:00pm) on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

CURRICULUM FOCUSES:

Mrs Fuller will be teaching Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. On these days, there will be a literacy (reading and writing) focus, Prime Maths lessons, Design & Technologies, Visual Arts, Keeping Kids Safe (child protection curriculum) and Religious Education lessons.

Mrs Landwehr will be teaching on Thursdays. On these days there will be a focus on HASS (History and Geography), MJR (Making Jesus Real) Program and Health lessons.

Specialist subjects (where students leave the classroom to be taught by specialist teachers) are The Arts and Sport (Mrs Langan), Library (Mrs Young) as well as Science and Digital Technologies (Mrs Hodgson)

NUMERACY

This year the students will be participating in the Prime Maths program. This is an explicit teaching program where the students are taught a number of methods and practises to solve mathematical problems. We will be focussing on numbers 1-10, addition and subtraction within 10 and plane shapes by completing a number of hands-on and written activities.

LITERACY

Students will be working on learning the first 100 sight words as well as looking at Nouns and Verbs. They will participate in Guided Reading sessions and explicit writing lessons.

SCIENCE (Mrs Hodgson)

In Science this term the Year 1 class will be learning about Biological Sciences. Our topic is Creature Features in Different Places. In this unit students will learn that living things have a variety of external features and live in different places where their needs are met.

RELIGION

Over the following weeks in Religious Education, the children will be exploring the gift of imagination and how it helps them to learn, create art works, songs and stories, think of new ideas and experience excitement and enjoyment, etc. The unit then explores ways Jesus used his imagination to teach people about God and to help them use their imagination to show love as God wants. Finally, this unit explores ways in which followers of Jesus use their imagination to visualise stories from Jesus' life and to show love for others in the ways Jesus taught.

OUR SEESAW APP

This will be up and running again once all families have read the information regarding Seesaw in our school and have returned their signed permission slips. New QR codes will be sent out soon. We are very excited to announce that students will be responsible for uploading their own work this year.