2024, Term One, Year Five Curriculum Overview

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our Year 5 families.

Below is a summary of the content to be covered in each learning area.

Religious Education

See, Judge, Act



During the term, students will be exploring social justice principles and how Christians are called to respect the dignity of the human person. Scripture and Church Tradition inform our understanding of social justice and the Church's mission to build a just world. The principles of Catholic Social Teaching and the model See, Judge, Act, enable students to review situations of injustice. The Catholic Church in Australia reaches out to people who struggle to live with injustice.

English

The following focus areas will be explored this term:

- Oral language and communication
- Vocabulary
- Reading fluency
- Reading comprehension
- Creating written texts
- Spelling
- Handwriting and digital transcription
- Understanding and responding to literature

During **reading** sessions, students will independently read or be learning in groups to develop reading, fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, conventions of language and cooperation skills. All students will participate in small group instruction where they work closely with their teacher on reading and/or comprehension skills.

During the **writing** session, students will be working on developing skills in writing engaging and interesting persuasive and imaginative texts for varying audiences and purposes. They will develop and extend their writing skills through explicit teaching using correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, language devices and exploring various sentence types. We will be focusing on editing, recrafting, and understanding how this helps improve our writing.

During the **oral language** session, students will communicate for a variety of audiences and purposes using increasingly challenging topics, ideas, issues and language forms and features.

Mathematics

During the term, students will be exploring the following areas:



Weeks	Big Idea	Outcomes	
Weeks 0 - 6	The number system extends	Working Mathematically	
	infinitely to very large and very	Number and Algebra	
	small numbers	-Representing Whole Numbers	
		-Additive reasoning	
		-Multiplicative reasoning	
Weeks 7 - 8	Addition and subtraction	Working Mathematically	
	problems can be solved using a	Number and Algebra	
	variety of strategies	-Representing whole numbers	
		-Additive reasoning	
Weeks 9 - 10	What needs to be measured	Working Mathematically	
	determines the unit of	Measurement and Space	
	measurement?	-Geometric measure	
	medsarement.	-2D spatial structure	
		-non spatial measure	
		Number and Algebra	
		-Additive reasoning	

Throughout these topics students will learn to problem solve, describe and represent mathematical situations in a variety of ways and provide reasons for supporting one possible solution over another.

Inquiry Learning: Science and Technology This term our Science and Technology Inquiry unit will be based around the big question: **How do the properties of materials determine their use?** Throughout the unit students will learn:

- 1. How can the state of materials be changed and manipulated?
- 2. What is the result of combining materials?
- Why are the characteristics of materials important when designing and producing?

If we have any passionate scientist parents out there who would like to present to the cohort regarding learning in this space, please email the school scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au





Second Steps Social and Emotional Learning Program (Weeks 2-10) - The Second Step program aims to teach children how to understand and manage their emotions, control their reactions, be aware of others' feelings, and have the skills to problem-solve and make responsible decisions. We will be exploring the following topics:

LESSON	OBJECTIVE		
Lesson 1 - Empathy and Respect	Define empathy, define respect		
Lesson 2 – Listening with Attention	Demonstrate listening with attention skills		
Lesson 3 – Being Assertive	Identify passive, aggressive, and assertive responses;		
	demonstrate assertive responses with their partners		
Lesson 4 - Predicting Feelings	Predict how others might feel as a result of their or another's		
	actions; state the cause and effects of a given action		
Lesson 5 – Taking Others'	Demonstrate the ability to take someone else's perspective		
Perspectives			
Lesson 6 – Accepting Differences	Identify similarities and differences between two people		
Lesson 7 – Disagreeing Respectfully	Distinguishing between respectful and disrespectful ways to		
	disagree; communicate their own perspectives; demonstrate		
	skills for disagreeing respectfully		
Lesson 8 – Introducing Emotion	Describe what happens in their brains and bodies when they		
Management	experience strong emotions; identify a personal signal; identify		
	and name strong feelings		
Lesson 9 – Calming down	Identify situations in which they might need to calm down; learn		
	the technique for deep, centred breathing; identify and		
	demonstrate other Calming Down Strategies (using positive self-		
	talk, counting, taking a break)		

Physical Education (Athletics and Cross Country)

Students will develop fundamental motor skills associated with cross country and athletics. They will be given the opportunity to practise these skills through playing games and/or modified sports.

If your child is unable to participate in Physical Education due to an injury, please communicate this with your child's teacher via email or letter.

Visual Arts





Throughout the unit students will learn the techniques needed to create artworks depicting Australian animals. Students will be introduced to advanced drawing skills, collage, printing, charcoal and painting skills, incorporating the elements of line, texture, shape and colour. They will observe how famous artists create artworks depicting Australian animals and show potential to apply new skills to their own artmaking.

The artists studied for this unit will be John Lewin, Elizabeth Cogley and Ian Coate.

Additional Information

Class	Coding	Japanese	CAPA	Library	Sport
5 GOLD Mrs Dowling	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday & Friday
& Mrs Williams					
5 BLUE-Mrs Xuereb	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday & Friday

Home Learning

PDH - Second Steps Homework

Each week a PDH homework task will be sent home for the students to complete. This task aligns with the learning in class and aims to consolidate the skills taught each week. Please sign the completed task and return to your child's teacher.

English

Students should read independently as much as possible (the recommended time frame for a stage 3 student to read is 20 to 30 minutes a day). This could be bedtime reading, reading to siblings, newspapers, magazines etc. Students should come to school each week having read the designated section of their group reader (novels will be sent home during week 4), ready to participate in the session.

Mathematics

The students will also be required to continues to practise their **mathematics multiplication tables** as part of their home learning. This is essential in successfully solving a wide variety of mathematical problems throughout their life. There is an online **Speed Skills** section in Maths Online at the bottom of the screen. Children can access this section to build their fluency and quick recall of timetable facts. **All students will receive their MathsOnline login details.**



Students are also assigned a **Maths Online task** that consolidates the learning that happened in class that week. This should not be too challenging for your child as it is meant to be a revision of current learning.

Home learning with commence on Monday, the 12th of February.

Important Term One Dates

Opening School and Ash Wednesday Mass (14th of February @ 9:30 am, school hall)

Kindergarten and Year 5 Buddies Weekend Mass (2nd of March @ 5:00 pm, St Cecilia's Church)

GOAL Setting Meetings with teachers (4th of March – 8th of March)

NAPLAN (The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy)

Tests will be completed in the following order.

Writing, Wednesday, the 13th of March

Reading and Conventions of language, Thursday, the 14th of March

Numeracy, Monday, the 18th of March

St Joseph's Liturgy led by year five (Tuesday, the 19th of March @ 8:45, Assembly Area)

Holy Week Celebration - Mass (Tuesday, the 26th of March @ 9:30 am, St Cecilia's Church)

Faith and Learning Walk (Wednesday, the 27th of March @ 2:30 pm, year five classrooms)

Staff Development Day - school will be closed (Tuesday, the 2nd of April)

Bathurst Excursion (19 - 20th of August)

Home/School Communication

If you have any concerns regarding your child's education, please arrange an interview time with your child's teacher or communicate via the school office using the following email address: scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au

We look forward to a great term of learning for your child and know that you will support us in this endeavour.

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