








Kindergarten Curriculum Overview – Term 1 2024

Below is a summary of the content to be covered in each Learning Area in Term 1.

<div>Religious Education</div> <div></div>	<p>Throughout this term we will nurture each student and their journey with God through the implementation of the Religious Education curriculum. We are learning to be active participants who engage our whole person through “head, heart and hands.”</p> <p>Throughout this term, students will be exposed to the following presentations:</p> <div><div>- The Mystery of life and Death</div><div>- St Joseph</div><div>- Annunciation to Mary</div><div>- The Last Supper</div><div>- Birth of Jesus</div><div>- The Empty Tomb</div><div>- The Good Shepherd</div></div>																																	
<div>English</div> <div></div>	<p>This term, Kindergarten will begin to develop their knowledge of sounds and their symbol. Students will learn to write letters and numbers using correct formation.</p> <p>Our daily literacy blocks will consist of handwriting, reading, writing. Students will;</p> <div><div>- develop a love of literacy</div><div>- identify the symbol for each sound</div><div>- learn correct letter and number formation</div><div>- begin to develop their oral language and phonemic knowledge.</div><div>- follow Heggerty's program to foster and develop phonetic awareness and beginning reading skills.</div><div>- begin to blend sounds to decode vowel-consonant (VC) words and CVC words e.g. c-a-t, p-e-n</div></div>																																	
<div>Mathematics</div> <div></div>	<p>Throughout this term, students will explore the following big ideas:</p> <div><div>- Attributes help us to sort (Weeks 1 to 3)</div><div>- Patterns have something that repeats over and over and over (Weeks 4 and 5)</div><div>- Sometimes things move and change location (Weeks 7 and 8)</div><div>- Data is collected to solve problems (Weeks 9 and 10)</div></div>																																	
<div>History</div> <div></div>	<p>Students will be investigating the big question: What is my history and how do I know it?</p> <p>We will learn about the different cultures within our class and share our personal history and explore some of the following inquiry questions:</p> <div><div>- What make a family and who is a part of my family?</div><div>- How do stories our past define us today?</div></div>																																	
<div>PDHPE</div> <div></div>	<p>PD/H - Second Steps program Commencing week 2, all students will begin the Second Steps Program. This program teaches students skills in the following four areas: skills for learning, empathy, emotional management, and problem solving. This term each lesson will cover the following focus:</p> <table><tr><th>WEEK</th><th>LESSON</th><th>OBJECTIVES – Students will be able to;</th></tr><tr><td colspan="3">Unit 1: Skills for Learning</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Learning to Listen</td><td><div><div>- Name and demonstrate the rules for listening in a group</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Focusing Attention</td><td><div><div>- Name and demonstrate the Listening Rules</div><div>- Demonstrate attention skills in the context of a game</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Following directions</td><td><div><div>- Demonstrate listening and following directions within the context of a game</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Self-talk for staying on task</td><td><div><div>- Demonstrate self-talk for remembering directions in the context of a game</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>Being Assertive</td><td><div><div>- Demonstrate self-talk for remembering directions in context of a drawing game</div></div></td></tr><tr><td colspan="3">Unit 2: Empathy</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>Feelings</td><td><div><div>- Name happy and sad when presented with physical clues</div><div>- Identify that happy is a comfortable feeling and sad is an uncomfortable feeling</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>8</td><td>More Feelings</td><td><div><div>- Name interested & afraid/scared when presented with physical & situational clues</div><div>- Identify that interested is a comfortable feeling and scared an uncomfortable one</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div></td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>Identifying Anger</td><td><div><div>- Name angry when presented with physical and situational clues.</div><div>- Identify that anger is an uncomfortable feeling.</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div></td></tr></table>	WEEK	LESSON	OBJECTIVES – Students will be able to;	Unit 1: Skills for Learning			2	Learning to Listen	<div><div>- Name and demonstrate the rules for listening in a group</div></div>	3	Focusing Attention	<div><div>- Name and demonstrate the Listening Rules</div><div>- Demonstrate attention skills in the context of a game</div></div>	4	Following directions	<div><div>- Demonstrate listening and following directions within the context of a game</div></div>	5	Self-talk for staying on task	<div><div>- Demonstrate self-talk for remembering directions in the context of a game</div></div>	6	Being Assertive	<div><div>- Demonstrate self-talk for remembering directions in context of a drawing game</div></div>	Unit 2: Empathy			7	Feelings	<div><div>- Name happy and sad when presented with physical clues</div><div>- Identify that happy is a comfortable feeling and sad is an uncomfortable feeling</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div>	8	More Feelings	<div><div>- Name interested & afraid/scared when presented with physical & situational clues</div><div>- Identify that interested is a comfortable feeling and scared an uncomfortable one</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div>	9	Identifying Anger	<div><div>- Name angry when presented with physical and situational clues.</div><div>- Identify that anger is an uncomfortable feeling.</div><div>- Identify a variety of feelings displayed in response to scenarios</div></div>
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	10	Same or different?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compare physical and emotional similarities and differences between two students depicted in a story Identify same and different feelings in response to scenarios
	Sport In term 1, Kindergarten will begin to develop their Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS), this includes skipping, hopping, jumping, running, and balancing. Each week students will focus on another FMS, which will involve developing the skills and practicing the set FMS through games. Students will also be exposed, and practice skills required for the athletics carnival.		
Creative Arts 'How does my past make me who I am?'	Throughout this unit students will learn the techniques needed to create artworks depicting their families and family history. This Creative Arts units links with Inquiry unit of "How does my past make me who I am?" Students will be introduced to various skills in drawing, colouring and cutting and gluing. These fine motor skills will develop hand strength and coordination as well as creativity in individual responses.		

Specialist classes and Sport days

<u>Gold class</u>	<u>Thursday:</u> Japanese and Creative Arts	<u>Tuesday:</u> Library	<u>Monday and Wednesday:</u> Sport
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Communication with teacher Please use the student diary to communicate with your child's teacher. Diaries will be checked every day. Alternatively, please contact your child's teacher via email through the school office at scw@dbb.catholic.edu.au . Please understand that teachers may not be available to meet before and after school without a prior arranged meeting.

Homework - **Students must read every night**, and this is to be recorded in the student diary. Readers will be sent from school at the appropriate level for your child. A Wushka log in will be sent home shortly and these online books may supplement your child's reading.

SECOND STEP - Students will also be given weekly home-link tasks based around the Second Steps program; these home-link tasks will reinforce the learning completed in class and need to be signed off by parents in the space provided.

At times there may be extra homework tasks sent home regarding other learning areas. This will be communicated to parents and carers via Compass.

PBL – Positive Behaviour for Learning This term's PBL rules align to our Second Step Social and Emotional Learning Program.

<u>Term 1</u>	<u>Rule</u>	<u>Skill</u>
Weeks 1 and 2	Introduce School Wide PBL matrix and values.	- Safe - Respectful - Cooperative Learners
Weeks 3 and 4	Respectful	Listen to others
Weeks 5 and 6	Respectful	Speak Respectfully
Weeks 7 & 8	Safe	Use safe and caring actions
Weeks 9 & 10	Cooperate	Play Fairly

Important Dates

- 1/03 School Cross Country K-1 (Sport activities at school)
- Week 5: Goal Setting Meetings
- Week 10: Kindergarten Parish Mass
- 26/03 Holy Week Liturgy 11:30am
- 2/04 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
- Week 10 Wellbeing Week
- Week 10 Kindergarten Parish Mass
- 11/4 - Athletics Carnival

*We look forward to a
fantastic year together.*

Claire Garth and Isabella Cilia