

# Year One Newsletter – Term 3 2016

Dear Parents,

Welcome back for Term Three. This term we welcome Ida McQueen who will be teaching the children on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the remainder of the year.

*I am so excited about working with you and your children this semester. I had the pleasure of meeting some of you at the end of last term and look forward to meeting you all in the coming weeks. While I will only be teaching in the Year One class on Tuesdays and Thursdays, I am more than happy for you to contact me via email [mcqueen.ida@cathednet.wa.au](mailto:mcqueen.ida@cathednet.wa.au) at any time if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child – Ida McQueen*

Please find below the topics we will be covering this term across all learning areas.

## **Religious Education**

- I am Special - Baptism
- Friends Together - Church
- Just Imagine - Jesus

## **English**

### **Writing**

This term we will be looking at procedure writing. We will be reading examples of this genre as a class and children will be writing their own procedures. Children will continue writing recounts and narrative, while also being exposed to other writing genres.

### **Grammar**

In grammar this term we will be revising nouns, verbs and adverbs to make sure children have a good understanding of these. We will do this through lots of grammar games and activities. We will then move on to introducing adjectives and how to use them to build our sentences and make them juicy and interesting!

We will continue to work on building well structured sentences in our writing, with the correct use of punctuation. The students will also be introduced to the use of question marks.

### **Spelling**

This term in spelling we will continue to follow the Sound Waves Spelling Program. If your child asks for help spelling a word, encourage them to sound it out before giving them the correct spelling. Children should now be able to identify all the sounds in a word.

### **Mathematics (Number) – Miss Aleana Brennan**

This term in maths we will be focusing on:

- Australian Money  
Children will be learning to recognise, describe and order Australian coins according to their value.
- Fractions  
Children will be learning to recognise and describe one-half as one of two equal parts of a whole.
- Addition and Subtraction  
Children will be learning how to solve double digit addition and subtraction sums.  
We will be looking at addition and subtraction stories and the language of addition and subtraction.
- Odd and even numbers
- Greater and less than
- Problem Solving skills

### **Mathematics (Measurement and Statistics & Probability) – Mrs Ida McQueen**

#### Measurement

In Mathematics this term we will be looking at measuring weight and comparing light and heavy objects. We will also revisit measuring volume by looking at how much various containers can hold.





**Homework – Miss Aleana Brennan**

Homework remains the same this term with the exception of the comprehension picture book which will no longer continue as children have now read all books available. Please ensure that spelling is checked each night to ensure that children are not practising their mistakes.

**Parent Helpers**

Parent assistance with morning reading groups Monday to Thursday from 9.00am-9.30am would be greatly appreciated.

**Dates for your diary**

St Dominic's Day Mass – 9am	3 <sup>rd</sup> August
St Dominic's Day Mini Fete and Lapathon	5 <sup>th</sup> August
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass	15 <sup>th</sup> August
Excursion to Cambridge Library	25 <sup>th</sup> August (TBC)
Year One Prayer Assembly	2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Guild Athletics Carnival	6 <sup>th</sup> September
Book Week	5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> September
School Photos	September 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>
Nature Play Incursion	21 <sup>st</sup> September
Last day of term	22 <sup>nd</sup> September

We look forward to a great term with you and your children!

Kind regards  
Aleana Brennan and Ida McQueen