

Year One Newsletter – Term 4 2016

Dear Parents

Welcome back for our final term of Year One. Please find below the topics we will be covering this term across all learning areas.

Religious Education

- We Belong - Baptism
- To Love by Working - Prayer
- Prepare - Advent/Christmas

English

Writing

This term we will be reviewing all writing genres covered this year: recounts, narratives and procedures. One of our main focuses this term across all learning areas will be handwriting and general neatness of written work.

Grammar

In Grammar this term we will be continuing to revise adjectives and adverbs to make sure children have a good understanding of these words and how they can be used to enhance writing. We will then move on to introducing commas and exclamation marks!!! and how to use them appropriately in sentences.

We will continue to work on building well structured sentences in our writing, with the correct use of punctuation. There are many children still forgetting to use capital letters at the beginning of names and sentences and also forgetting full stops at the end of sentences.

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 be able to identify all the sounds in a word.

Mathematics (Number) – Miss Aleana Brennan

This term in maths we will be focusing on:

- Introduction to multiplication and division
Multiplication will be taught using the term 'groups of'
(e.g. $3 \times 2 = 3$ groups of 2) and as repeated addition.
Children will be taught that division is about sharing out and making equal groups of numbers.
- Odd and even numbers
- Greater and less than
- Problem Solving skills
- Skip counting

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

Statistics & Probability

Always, Sometimes, Never, Will Happen and Will not happen are some of the ways we talk about Chance. We will be exploring these terms and what they mean by playing some Chance and Probability games. The students will also be learning how to collect and record data in different ways such as *Lists, Tallies, Tables, Picture Graphs* and *Graphs*.

We have started rolling the dice and flipping coins in order to explore chance and probability!

Physical Education – Ms Jodi Newton

Children will continue to have Physical Education each Tuesday with Ms Jodi Newton.

Geography – Miss Aleana Brennan

This term in Geography children will continue exploring:

- Natural, managed and constructed features of places
- The different ways people describe the features of places
- Different ways spaces can be arranged depending on their purpose
- Changes in features and how to care for places

