

Welcome back to Term 4.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you all enjoyed a relaxing and refreshing holiday break and look forward to a wonderful last term.

As with last term, our first week will focus on establishing clear expectations for both the school and classroom, with a strong emphasis on positive behaviour. We will continue to implement the school's token reward system, which encourages positive choices aligned with our school rules: We care for ourselves, We care for others, We care for our school, and We practise gratitude. Our goal is to foster a supportive and positive environment, providing consistent feedback to strengthen student learning and build confidence.

In Religion, students will explore the sacredness of God and all creation, including the importance of valuing human life. They will learn how we can act as co-creators and caretakers of God's world by promoting peace, justice, and respect for others. Students will also discover how prayer and the wisdom of the saints can guide believers to nurture loving relationships with God, others, and all creation.

In English, we will continue building on our reading comprehension strategies, and strengthening our grammar, spelling, and writing skills. Students will continue to participate in daily reading groups, comprehension groups and writing tasks that support their individual learning goals.

In Mathematics, students will participate in 'Daily Review' activities to allow continuous practice of various concepts across all Maths strands. By continually practising and reviewing content, students are provided with the opportunity to store information in their long-term memory. Teachers will explicitly demonstrate new concepts and provide students with the opportunity to practise new content before adding these to our daily review routines.

In Week 8, Year 2 will be going on an exciting excursion to the National Museum to explore past technologies and discover how they have changed over time. This experience will support our classroom learning about history and innovation, allowing students to see real examples of how everyday items and inventions have evolved. Further information, including permission notes and details about the day, will be provided closer to the date.

For more information regarding Year 2 learning across all curriculum areas, please see our term overview. This also contains key dates to remember for the term.

Please ensure you regularly check your emails, Compass and the school Facebook page for all current school communication.

Kind Regards,

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<u>Library/Digital &</u> <u>Design Technologies</u>

Mrs Kaden

<u>Tuesday</u>

Bring Library Bags and Library Book each Tuesday.

The Arts - Visual Arts

Mrs Wicks

<u>Tuesday</u>

Chinese

Ms Wong

Thursday

Sport Days

Health and Physical Education

Don't forget to wear sports uniform on Monday and Thursdays.

Homework

Some students will continue to read decodable readers. Some students will be encouraged to read literature of interest. We encourage all students to read regularly.

There will be some optional homework, including spelling, tricky word revision and mathematics sent home.

There may occasionally be other incidental tasks for homework.

