

**YEAR THREE
PARENT TEACHER MEETING
TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2010**

TIMETABLE

- A timetable is displayed on the window near the door.
- Students have set news topics for the term, a timetable of these topics and when their news day is on, is also displayed on the window near the door.
- Everyday a timetable will be written up on the board for the children so they know what is happening during the day.
- Important things to remember : Library is on Thursday (children need a library bag)
Sport is on Tuesday (children can wear their faction shirts)
Art is on Friday (children need an art shirt)
Music is on Thursday and Friday
Italian is on Tuesday and Wednesday
Computing is on Thursday
- Everyday the students will have Literacy Groups, Maths Groups and Religion.

BLUE EARTH

- Is on Monday from 2.10-3.00pm and will be run by Ms Tanya Halliday along with my assistance.
- The children can wear their faction shirt on this day.
- It is a programme that supports the holistic development of a child and the community through physical activity.
- It focuses on improving health and preventing disease through an approach that develops and integrates body, mind and spirit through participation.
- To integrate health and literacy the children are also going to be keeping a reflective journal based on the different activities.

YEAR OVERVIEW

The themes for the year are

- Term One: Water
- Term Two: Recycling
- Term Three: Insects and Mini Beasts
- Term Four: Light and Solar Energy

REPORTING SCHEDULE

- Term One: Portfolio will be sent home
- Term Two: Parent interviews and report sent home
- Term Three: Learning Journey
- Term Four: Report sent home

RELIGION OVERVIEW

The topics covered in Religion for this year are

- Term One: Gathered as One (Church Unit) and Loving Like Jesus (Lent/Easter Unit)
- Term Two: Speak from the Heart (Prayer Unit) and Water of Life (Baptism Unit)
- Term Three: Christian Conscience (Penance Unit) and Sharing Jesus' Special Meal (Eucharist Unit)
- Term Four: Gifted by the Word (Advent/Christmas Unit) and Strengthened by the Spirit (Confirmation Unit)

- Reconciliation classes will be starting in Term Three
- Reconciliation will be held over two weekends in Term Four

HOMEWORK

- Is handed out on Monday and due on the Friday.
- Students keep their homework files at home for the week and do not need to bring them back to school until Friday
- All students need to do
 1. four look, say, cover, write, checks with their ten spelling words (which need to be recorded in their homework exercise book)
 2. one sentence for each spelling word on a separate page
 3. reading (to be filled in their reading journal). Children will only borrow one homework reading book from school for the week and can supplement their reading with library books and books from home
 4. a worksheet with a focus on Mathematics and English
- If homework is not completed or brought into school on the Friday a note will be sent home. Students will have until Monday to bring it in to school and if it is incomplete or left at home again they will have to stay in at lunch on Monday to complete it.
- If students complete their homework they are given a teacher certificate.

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

- The bell goes at 8.35 am. If you are running late your child will need to get a late note from the office.
- The mornings are the most important part of the day and it is essential that all children are on time to school as it can disrupt the routine of the classroom.
- The door will be opened every morning by 8.30 am. Students will need to get themselves ready for the day.
- If you would like to make a meeting to see me just let me know. I am available both before and after school but I have a duty of care to the students in the morning as soon as the bell goes at 8.35am and until 3.10 am in the afternoon, so I am unavailable during school time for a meeting.
- We will endeavour to be out near the church no later than 2.55pm.

UNIFORM

- Uniform checks will be carried out throughout the term.
- All children need to wear the correct school uniform (faction shirts only on Monday and Tuesday).
- If your child needs to wear something other than the school uniform a note must be handed in.

IMPORTANT EVENTS THIS TERM

- Whole school Mass: Ash Wednesday: Wednesday 17th of February
- Visit from the Police Pipe Band: Monday 15th of March
- Visit from the Fire fighters from Hope Valley Fire Station: Friday 26th of March
- Any extra events will be written in their homework diary to notify you.

FOR THIS YEAR

- Extra help will be given in the classroom by Mrs Iriks.
- Testing will happen at both the start and end of the year.
- NAPLAN testing will occur in Week 4, Term 2. It will focus on reading , spelling, language conventions, writing and numeracy.
- Swimming lessons will happen in Term Four.

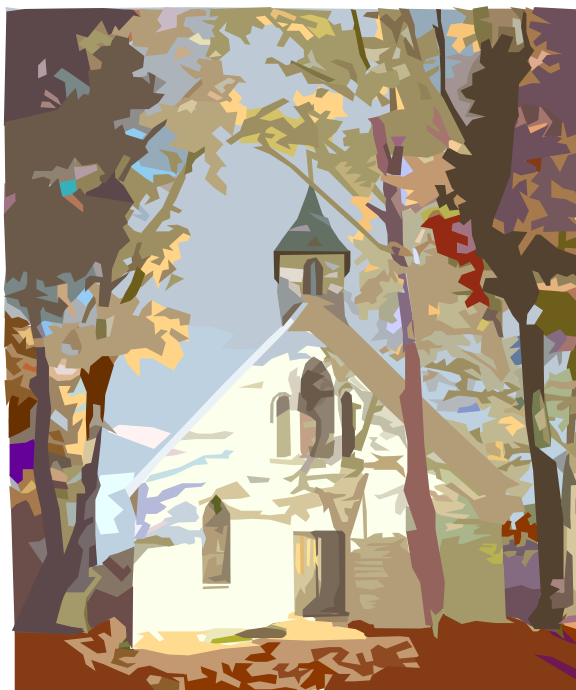
BEHAVIOUR

- There will be a whole class reward which includes marbles in a jar and group points
- An individual reward will also take place. This includes a daily token draw and star of the week. Students will also be given teacher certificates for getting 100% in their spelling test, mental maths test, times tables challenge, homework and for the top five in handwriting.
- Within the classroom I adopt the behaviour management policy of 1,2,3 Magic and the use of Time Out. Students will be given three chances to rectify their behaviour. If the negative behaviour continues then they will be sent to Time Out. While in Time Out the children will have to fill in a sheet reflecting on their behaviour. Once filled in their sheet will have to be brought home to be signed and brought to school the next day.
- Children may also need to spend some time in at recess and lunch.
- Children will need to take home any unfinished work to finish.
- If children need to finish work they will be given time to eat recess/lunch with minimal in class time as they need fresh air and a chance to play. They are also supervised by myself for the time that they are kept in

EXPECTATIONS

- That all children will complete their homework.
- That all children follow our class and school rules.
- That they will give everything they do 100%.

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PARENT INFORMATION
BOOKLET**



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