



ST AGATHA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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YEAR TWO OVERVIEW TERM ONE 2019

Welcome everyone to Year 2 2019! We hope it's a happy and successful year.

Religious Education

Our Community that Celebrates God's Love

This module will explore the Parish as an integral part of God's family. It will look at the nature and distinctive characteristics of our local Parish as a Catholic community of Christian people, who celebrate, serve and grow in faith and love together. This module also focuses on how we celebrate Lent and Easter in our Church family.

English

Reading and Viewing, Speaking and Listening

Children will read a variety of literary and factual texts in shared, guided (at their own level) and independent reading for enjoyment and for gaining information across an increasing range of topics. In small groups, they will use strategies learnt to comprehend and respond to texts.

Writing and Representing

Children will be engaged in joint and independent construction of recounts of personal experiences. They will also do "Quick Writes" as a creative learning task. Quick writes are most often used to develop fluency. In quick writes, students write rapidly and without stopping in response to literature and for other types of impromptu writing. Quick writes, provide students with a means of quickly representing their thinking.

In spelling, we will focus on spelling high frequency words and common sight words with accuracy. Our focus will be on understanding and using digraphs and long vowels in our writing. Grammar and punctuation are also taught by integrating them in our writing sessions.

Mathematics

Number

Whole Numbers

Counting, ordering, reading and representing two and three digit numbers.

Addition and Subtraction

Using a range of mental strategies and informal recording methods for addition and subtraction involving one and two digit numbers.

Fractions and Decimals

Represents and models halves, quarters and eighths of objects and collections occurring in everyday situations.

Measurement

Length

Estimating, measuring, comparing and recording lengths and distances using informal units, metres and centimetres.

Area

Estimating, measuring and comparing surfaces and recording using informal and formal units.

Time

Tell the time on the hour and half hour on analog and digital clocks

Space and Geometry

2D Space

Describes and explores various 2D shapes

Position

Represents and describes the positions of objects in everyday situations and on maps

Data

Gathers and organises data, displays data in lists, tables and picture graphs and interprets the results

History

The Past in the Present

This unit provides a study of local history. Students will have the opportunity to explore, recognise and appreciate the history of their local area by examining remains of the past and considering why they should be preserved. The questions we will be focusing on throughout the unit are:

- What aspects of the past can you see today?
- What do they tell us?
- Why are the remains of the past important in the local community?

Science and Technology

How Do Humans Use Plants and Animals?

This term we will be exploring which plants and animals are grown and used for food production. Through experiments, using observations and photographic records, students will investigate this topic.

Creative Arts

This unit incorporates forms, lines and structures in art. Students will explore art techniques including printing, painting and sketching. Our art appreciation this term will be a view of M.C. Escher's still life and street artwork.

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

PD/H Unit: Positive Detective and Keeping Myself Safe Around Medicines/Putting Safety First

Children will explore how to keep themselves and others safe around medicines and how to keep safe on or near roads. PE will be on **Wednesday** with Mrs Vella. Dance Fever will be on **Thursday**. Children are to wear their sports uniform on these days.

General Information

Library and Music lessons for Year Two are on Wednesday. Library book borrowing will be on Monday. Please encourage your child to be responsible for their Library bag.

Important Dates for Term 1

Friday 8th February	Opening School Mass
Friday 8 th February	Welcome BBQ
Thursday 28 th February	Year 2 Walking Excursion
Friday 8 th March	School Photos
Friday 22 nd March	2 Red Assembly
Tuesday 26 th March	Year 2 Class Mass (9:30) with Parish
Friday 29 th March	Fete Mufti Day
Friday 12 th April	Last day of term

We look forward to a great year ahead.

Mrs Melanie Hume
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Mrs Fiona Tubb
2 Green