

# KPP Class Newsletter Term 2, Week 6, 2024

## We're half way through the term already! Here's a look at our topics and learning for the rest of the term!

**Religion**: Our next Religion unit is Eucharist, which coincides with our Year 4s celebrating their First Holy Communion. Students will explore how Jesus welcomes all people to be his friends and during Mass, people gather together in a church to celebrate Jesus.

**English**: During Literacy, show and tell and shared book sessions, we will continue to focus on oral language, writing skills and concepts of print. Our themes, Pets and Fairy Tales, will provide opportunities for the students to read and retell stories, sequence events and describe animals and characters. During writing sessions, Pre-primaries will explore information reports and narratives. Spelling sessions will continue with Kindy students learning to identify beginning sounds in words and naming the letter sounds s,a,t,p,i,n. They will also focus on learning to write their name. Pre-primaries are zooming through digraphs such as ee & oo and may even begin to move on to blends such as st, pl and dr! They are working on transferring these learned sound patterns into their writing activities as well as some high frequency words. Letter formation will be a big focus for the rest of the term.

**Maths**: This term we have been working hard on number concepts and skills and are currently learning to copy, continue and create patterns. Next we will learn to name and describe some 3D shapes and then move on to early time concepts such as the duration of events and connecting days of the week to familiar events and routines.

**Fine-motor:** Cutting and drawing skills are coming along very nicely now with our continued focus on pencil grip and finger and hand strength.

**Gross Motor:** Our morning obstacle course has recently been focusing particularly on upper body strength. We will continue with this, and will also introduce long rope skipping skills.

#### **Upcoming Events**

First Holy Communion: 26th May @ 10.30am Yr 5/6 Class assembly: 31st May @ 2.30pm

Public holiday: Monday, 3rd June Yr 3/4 Mass: 19th June @ 10.00am Music Assembly: 21st June @ 2.30pm Last day of term: Thursday, 27th June



#### Library

Thank you for assisting your child to remember to bring their library bag and book every Wednesday. The students are really enjoying reading with their Year 5/6 buddies, also.

#### Show & Tell News

The children are enjoying our Monday morning Show and Tell news sessions and are showing some pleasing progress in oral language skills, confidence and early writing skills. We will continue to set a theme or idea to guide your child to choose something to bring to school which will be outlined in your child's communication book. Please check the theme each week and assist your child to choose an item. As each child will be encouraged to share details such as what, where, when, who and why in relation to their item, it would be great if you could chat with them beforehand using the provided questions as a guide. Thank you!







#### What's up in the loft?

In our loft this week, we will be setting up a pet shop! The children have decided which types of animals make great pets and have explored how we care for pets. There will be plenty of buying, selling and cuddling of furry, scaly, fluffy animals.

#### Specialist Subjects

**Science**: PPs, along the Year 1s, are learning all about weather, day and night and seasons. They will explore the changes in the sky and how these affect everyday life while studying the Earth and Space Science Curriculum.

HASS: Students will soon share stories of their families and how they participate in special events such as birthdays, Easter, Christmas and other holidays. We look forward to hearing all about how our families celebrate different occasions – we may even be able to have our own class celebration at the end of term!

Digital Technologies:In the coming weeks, students will be preparing to make a house designed for the Three Little Pigs. We will talk about the elements that are required and how we can work collaboratively to meet a goal. If you have any materials or boxes that you think would make a great 'house' please bring them in.

Music: Students are continuing to explore percussion instruments and how they can play them to the steady beat of music. They are getting very good at playing the tapping sticks in many different ways and moving their bodies to music and during games.



#### Our mums are beautiful!

### Reports & Portfolios

At the end of term, students will once again bring home some samples of their learning presented in their portfolios.

They will also receive a school report outlining their achievements and work habits for Semester One.



Visit to the town library

#### Reminders

**Library**: Wednesday afternoon **Sport Days**: Monday and Friday

**News**: Monday mornings

Illness: Please let us know, via the school office, if your child is unwell or if you are keeping them home. Thank you!

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