

St Gregory's Primary School
Year 6 Curriculum Overview Term 2, 2018

Dear Families of Year 6,

Welcome to Term 2 at St Gregory's for 2018.

Religion

Students will be investigating information about the Australian Church. How individuals and groups have contributed to the development of the Australian Catholic Church? By the end of Year Six students will understand significant developments in the Australian Catholic Church.

Mathematics

This term we will continue to be actively involved in problem solving activities and an inquiry-based approach to Mathematics. Specifically, students will be:

- Exploring whole numbers, integers, fractions, percentages and decimals, compare, order and convert between fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Concepts of volume and capacity.
- Chance and probability

English

English will comprise of a Literacy block. During this time students will participate in sustained reading and writing and reflect on an inquiry focus. They will engage in teacher-student reading and writing conferences. The Accelerated Reader program will continue to be implemented across Year 6. Students will use inquiry to support students to explore how author's use exciting language to engage their reader, looking specifically at poetry and its variety of forms.

Science

In STEM, students will develop multiple skills whilst investigating and researching aspects of natural events and how these impact on human beings, in particular natural disasters. Students will work in small teams to research how and why certain natural events occur and create a mock scenario that depicts a natural event. This will involve building a to-scale event and then programming robotics using visual programming language to conduct a 'search and rescue' mission. Students will also have to present their information on their scenario to their peers and teachers and justify their search and rescue mission, based on research that they have conducted. Students will also begin developing unique habits of mind through the use of Visible Thinking methods, developed by the Harvard Graduate School of Education, to explore, uncover and explain meaning in the world around them.

Chromebooks and Google Apps

If you have any questions regarding our Chromebook and G Suite program, please email Garreth Wigg.

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Geography and History

Students will complete and present their iMovies, based on their Geographical enquiry from Term 1. Students will then begin their History unit, which focuses on Australian immigration.

Homework

It is expected that all students will read for 20 minutes at home each night. Homework is optional each term. Please return the Homework opt-out note if you do not want your child to participate. Tasks are due in weeks 3, 6 and 9.

PDHPE, Music and Library

This year, Year 6 will be participating in Music with Mrs McFaul, PDHPE with Mr Maloney and Library with Mrs Greentree. Students will need to wear sport uniform on the days they have PE with Mr Maloney and every Wednesday. Students will continue to learn how to research with Mrs Greentree. Each class has a weekly allocated borrowing time during which students are encouraged to borrow two books.

Sport Uniform Days

6B - Monday and Wednesday

6G - Tuesday and Wednesday

6W - Wednesday and Friday

Italian and Choir

Year 5 and 6 students can choose to participate in Italian Club or the School Choir on Wednesday afternoons. The remaining students in Year 6 will play Sport.

Please provide a box of tissues and water bottle for your child.

The School has a 'no hat, play in the shade rule'. Hats are optional during the months of June and July.

St Gregory's is a **NUT, FISH AND EGG FREE SCHOOL**.

Please check the school website and Facebook page regularly to stay updated on school, parish and community events:

<http://stgregsps.nsw.edu.au>

The 'Skoolbag' app is also useful for accessing up to date information, notes and newsletters. Download is available for Android and iOS users.



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