

Year four



W12, W22 & W23 Term 1 Overview 2024

Welcome to Year 4 in 2024! This year, students will continue to develop their curiosity, creativity and understanding in a positive learning environment. This year, we aim for students to become more self-directed, autonomous and have more agency about their learning. The students have begun the year with a major focus on setting the year up for success by discussing the qualities of a team, different learning styles and learning experiences. We will also be creating a common understanding of expectations within the classroom and looking at the school values and what they mean to us. Below is an outline of our learning for Term 1 of this year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

English

This term we will be studying the text type of narrative. We will be analysing the structure and language features of a narrative. Students will then create their own storylines by developing characters, settings and plot tensions.

Jolly grammar is the spelling program we implement at Mawson Lakes School. This will be completed daily where students will engage in learning tasks consisting of phonemes, graphemes, syllables and dictations each fortnight.

With guided reading being a major focus in the classroom, this term we will be developing comprehension strategies, fluency and vocabulary knowledge. This will be attained through the gradual release of responsibility, think alouds, modeled reading and group discussions.

Humanities and Social Science

Students will be developing their understanding of the causes and experiences of individuals and groups, including military and civilian officials, and convicts involved in the establishment of the first British colony in 1788. They will also explore the diversity of First Nations Australians, their social organisation and their continuous connection to Country/Place.

Maths

In Mathematics, we will be developing our number sense. Students will apply place value to partition, rearrange and regroup numbers and extend the application of place value to tenths and hundredths. This learning focus includes using the properties of odd and even numbers.

The year 4's will develop efficient strategies for solving problems involving addition and subtraction, and multiplication and division. We will continue to learn about becoming mathematicians and using mathematics in everyday life.

Science

We will be beginning the year with biological science. Students will explain the roles and interactions of consumers, producers and decomposers within a habitat and how food chains represent feeding relationships.

Child Protection Curriculum

This term in CPC, the year 4 cohort will be looking at the theme: The right to be safe. The two focus topics are safety and risk taking and early warning signs. The students will have the opportunity to discuss and participate in a range of activities in a safe classroom environment.

Specialist

Students will participate in specialist subject learning in the areas of Japanese, The Arts and Health and Physical Education. Please see the PE, Arts and Japanese newsletters for specialist subject learning in Term 1.

CALENDAR DATES

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6/2	Acquaintance Night/AGM	26/2	Student free day
8/3	School photos	11/3	Public holiday - Adelaide Cup
28/3	Sports Day - 2pm dismissal	29/3	Public holiday - Good Friday
1/4	Public holiday - Easter Monday	2/4 - 8/4	School interviews
13/4	End of term - 2pm dismissal	20/2 & 19/3	Governing Council

	W12	W22	W23
PE (With Michael & Des)	Tues - 9:25am Thurs - 12:00pm	Mon - 1:30pm Tues - 10:10am	Mon - 1:30pm Tues - 10:10am
Japanese (With Erin)	Tues - 10:10am Wed - 11:15am	Wed - 10:10am Thurs - 2:15pm	Thurs - 1:30pm Fri - 1:30pm
Arts (With Abby)	Mon - 1:30pm	Fri - 11:15am	Wed - 11:15am