

Year 6 term overview

Term One 2023 | W41 & W42

Welcome to term one! We look forward to an enjoyable and productive year with your child for their final year of primary school. Students will continue to develop their curiosity, creativity and understanding in a positive learning environment. An overview will be posted on the school website each term.

English

This term our focus is narrative text focusing on writing short stories. Students will explore the structure and text features of this style of writing, and focus on writing to engage the reader. They will apply appropriate grammar and editing skills during this learning.

Students will engage in whole class and small group reading. Our focus is on the 'Big 6' of reading and comprehension skills: predicting, questioning, visualising and thinking skills of a good reader. The reading program also links to the learning of the genre text types. Classroom teachers will provide individual reading goals to support your child's reading and comprehension development.

Spelling is a fortnightly cycle using the Jolly Phonics Spelling Program.

Mathematics

This term students will recognise the properties of prime, composite, square and triangular numbers. They will describe the use of integers in everyday contexts and solve problems involving all four operations

with whole numbers. Students will be exposed to the different ways to represent fractions and will model equivalent fractions. They will focus on selecting and applying efficient mental and written strategies to solve realistic problems using fluency, problem solving and reasoning.

In W42 students will also be studying the Cartesian plane, locating and describing points on the plane using ordered coordinates and all four quadrants. Students will use digital technologies to investigate angles on a straight line, angles at a point and vertically opposite angles, and interpret the results to find unknown angles.

Science, Design and Technologies

This term's focus is Energy, exploring the generation and transformation of energy from varying sources and how electrical circuits work. Students will design and make a model of an energy efficient structure, demonstrating the use of electrical circuits and incorporating repurposed and sustainable materials.

Contact details

Please contact the Front Office (8260 1681) for all urgent matters or absences.

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Humanities and Social Sciences

This term's focus is Geography. Students will explore the diverse environments, peoples and cultures within the Asia region and at a global level, expanding their mental map of the world. Students will examine Australia's connections with other countries and places throughout the world, how these are changing, and how these affect our lives.

Child Protection Curriculum

As mandated by the Department for Education, classroom teachers will implement the Child Protection Curriculum. This term we are focusing on the right to be safe looking at warning signs and risk taking. We will be understanding our bodies and their emotional needs during zones of regulation lessons. Students will also focus on understanding online safety.

Japanese, The Arts, Health & P.E

Specialist subjects are The Arts, Japanese and Health and P.E. Please see the specialist subject newsletters for more information. Students will participate weekly in two Health and PE lessons, two Japanese lessons and one Arts lesson.

Specialist timetable

	W41	W42
Monday	Arts	Japanese
Tuesday	Japanese Health & PE	Arts Health & PE
Thursday	Health & PE	Health & PE
Friday	Japanese	Japanese

If you have any concerns regarding the learning for the term, or any other matters concerning your child, please contact us via Seesaw or email. For all urgent matters or absences contact the Front Office (8260 1681).

We look forward to working in partnership with you and your child for a successful year ahead.

Kind regards, Jessica Webber, Laura Vicario and Vivian Asadi

Important dates

Mon 6-Feb	Crossing monitor training
Tues 7-Feb	Acquaintance Night Annual General Meeting
Wed 22-Feb	Adelaide Aquatics Centre Excursion
Fri 10-Mar	Student free day
Tues 21-Mar	Harmony Day
Mon 27 to Wed 29-Mar	Year 6 Camp
Thurs 6-Apr	Sports Day
Fri 7-Apr	Good Friday
Mon 10-Apr	Easter Monday
Wed 12-Apr	Student photos
Fri 14-Apr	Last day of term

School timetable

It is important that students are at school on time. If your child is late you must sign in through the front office.

If your child is absent for the day please contact the office so we know your child is home and safe with you.

8.15am	Supervised yard play
8.40am	Lessons start
10.55 – 11.15am	Recess
12.40pm	Supervised eating
12.50 – 1.30pm	Lunch play
3pm	School finishes / OSHC opens