

Foundation Newsletter

Week 9, Monday 25 March 2019

Chapel

It was great to see so many of you at Chapel of Friday. The Foundation students were very excited to see you there. We hope you enjoyed our Chapel service.

Student Goals

Students have three weeks left to work on their Literacy and Numeracy goals for this term. Your assistance at home is invaluable in helping them achieve success.

Open Morning

Our Open Morning is next Tuesday 26 March from 9.30am to 12.30pm. This will be a great opportunity to see our classes in action. Please let families who may be interested in enrolling students in our school know so they can come and see what St John's is all about. Our whole school fitness program will run from 11.15 to 11.30.

SRC Casual Day

This term's casual day is next Friday 26 March. The SRC have chosen a country theme. Students can come dressed as a farmer, cowboy or cowgirl for a gold coin donation. Monies raised will be donated to the Cancer Council.

Australian Army Band Visit

The Australian Army Band will be touring the district during the first week of April. They will perform at our school on Tuesday 2nd April at 1pm for 20-30 minutes. On that day students will have a slightly later lunch at 1.30pm. This visit has been made possible through funding our district has received for drought relief.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher Interviews will take place on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 April 2018. Instruction letters were sent home last week to families. If for any reason you do not have access to the Internet or need help with entering your bookings online, please contact Sonya or Fiona in the office for assistance.

Upcoming Events

March

- Tuesday 26 Open Morning from 9.30am to 12.30pm
- Friday 29 SRC Casual Day - country theme with money raised supporting the Cancer Council Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by Mr Peters followed by a cuppa

April

- Friday 5 Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by the Year Five class followed by a cuppa
- Monday 8 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Tuesday 9 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Friday 12 Last Day of Term One
Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by the Six/Seven class followed by a cuppa
Assembly in the school Hall at 1.40pm

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Our focus this week will be on the letter sounds y, x, ch and sh. We will be identifying beginning and ending sounds in words and substituting, adding and deleting sounds from words to make new words. Writing tasks will focus on recount writing and procedures. We followed a procedure to make maracas last week. This week we will write a procedure for making our robots. We will continue to focus on letter formation and handwriting and leaving gaps between words when writing.

Mathematics

Our focus this week will be on ordering numbers from one to ten and considering their neighbouring numbers. Students will identify the numbers just before and just after a given number and numbers that are between two numbers. Mental computation strategies rely on our knowledge of the relationship a number has to another number.

Unit of Inquiry

This week we will continue to work on our robots. We will be considering how each robot is unique and the similarities and differences a robot has to another robot. We will be recording this information in a table. In Christian Studies we will read 'You Are Special' by Max Lucado and consider the ways we are special in God's eyes.



Congratulations Lila for receiving our class award this week for being a Thinker by remembering sounds and using them to blend words.



We celebrated Harmony Day on Thursday 21 March. This year's theme was 'Music Unites Us.' With your generous donations each class made instruments from around the world. The Foundation class read the book, 'Alpacas with Maracas' by Matt Cosgrove and made maracas from spoons, ping pong balls, chick peas and colourful tape. We also made a tube didgeridoo using Aboriginal style painting. Don't forget to have a look at our creations in the library next time you are in the school.

