

# Foundation Newsletter

Week 1, Monday 29 April 2019

## Student Goals

Students will be working on their Term Two goals in Literacy and Numeracy during this week. Many students have achieved their Term One goals in Literacy and Numeracy and some are very close to achieving them. If your child has not yet achieved one or both of their goals please keep working with them so that they have the best chance of success. Term Two goals will be coming home next week for you to discuss with your child and sign.

## Writing Books and Bibles

Thank you to everyone who had time to cover and return our long awaited Writing books so quickly. If you still have books at home, could you please return them to school this week?

This term we will be using our student Bibles regularly in class. If you still have your child's Bible at home could you please return it to school this week also? Thank you.

## Boots

We are all waiting and praying for rain and hopefully we will see some before too long. In second and third term the scrub can get quite muddy. If you have a spare pair of boots for your child, please send them to school so they can wear them at Recess and Lunch and protect their school shoes.

## Clean Up Australia Day

On Wednesday 10 April St John's students participated in 'Clean Up Australia Day' which is held yearly across Australia to remind all people to keep their local areas clean. We are proud to be part of the 30 million people in 80 countries who have been involved in 'Clean Up the World', which was launched in 1993, after gaining the support of the United Nations Environment Programme. Thank you for supplying scrubbing brushes to help the Foundation class clean the benches under the lunch shelter.

## Upcoming Events

### May

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| Friday 3   | Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by Pastor Josh followed by a cuppa  |
| Thursday 9 | SRC Mothers' Day Stall  |
| Friday 10  | SRC Mothers' Day Stall<br><br>Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by the Foundation class followed by a cuppa |
| Monday 13  | P & F Meeting at 2.00pm in the School Hall  |
| Friday 17  | Chapel in the School Hall at 9.00am led by Mr Peters followed by a cuppa  |



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## Uniform

In Term Two, the requirement is for students to wear winter uniform. However, due to the possibility of warm weather occurring early in Term Two, students may wear either summer or winter uniforms during Weeks One and Two only. The Uniform Shop is open on Fridays from 2.00pm to 2.30pm. The girls' pinafore is compulsory for Foundation students and should be worn below the knee but no longer than mid-calf.

## English

Our focus this week will be on Tricky Words. These are words that cannot be sounded out correctly using the Jolly Phonics sounds. The only way to read and spell these words correctly is by learning them and having plenty of practice. Writing tasks will focus on letter formation using the ground, grass and sky lines in our new writing books and recount writing about the school holidays.

## Mathematics

Our focus this week will be on the concept of 'how many more.' This will prepare us to explore the operations of addition and subtraction the term.

## Unit of Inquiry

This week we will begin our second Unit of Inquiry under the Transdisciplinary Theme Where we are in place and time, with the Central Idea: Places are important for different reasons. We will begin by exploring the Attributes of the Learner Profile Principled and Courageous. We will also focus on Self-management Skills as an approach to learning.



Congratulations Sonny for receiving our class award for being Knowledgeable by working hard to remember letter sounds and use them to read and write.

Kade also was able to receive his award in person as he was unwell the previous week.



Our School Captains, Hollie and Amber, along with students Lilly, Charli, Regan and Isabel laid wreaths on behalf of St John's at ANZAC Day services at the Eudunda, Kapunda and Robertstown commemorations.

LEST WE FORGET

Thank you to Mrs Heather Slade who taught the class on the last two days of term while I attended a family funeral interstate.