

# Welcome to Year 5

## Teacher

Mr Ben Hewitt

## Education Assistants

Miss Ali Hince & Miss Monique Hollett

### 1. Prayer & Welcome

### 2. The School Day

Our classroom door will generally open around 8:30am. Children are expected to unpack their bags, hand in their homework and any diary with any notes that are needed to be returned given to the teacher and set up their work station for the day. Siren will ring at **8:45am**. We will generally start our day with Morning Fitness to have the children being active for the beginning of the day.

The timetable for Term 1 is below. Children are to wear their sports uniform on Tuesday and Friday. They need to remember to bring their hat and water bottle, as they can't do sport without both of them.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	PE/Health Mrs Higgs	Indonesian Mr Selvam	Literacy Mrs Ledger	Assembly (See School Calendar)  PE/Health Mrs Higgs

If you need to remove your child from the class during the day, you will need to sign him/her out at the office. This will need to be done before you come to collect your child. The same procedure applies if you arrive late in the mornings.

### **3. Curriculum**

Religious Education is our main learning area with the Western Australian Curriculum fully implemented across English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences (Civics & Citizenship – Term 1, Geography – Term 2, Economics & Business – Term 3 & History – Term 4), Health & Physical Education and The Arts. The outcomes, learning activities and common assessments will be reflected in both Year 5 and Year 5/6 to ensure that all Year 5's are taught and levelled according to Year 5 national curriculum outcomes.

Excursions are a big part of our learning journey, whether it's local or in Perth. Our aim is to have 1 excursion each semester which will reflect what is being taught in class.

### **4. MAJEC**

The MAJEC Program is our Christian Service Program. The children will need to write any hours they complete into the MAJEC section of their diary and have a parent sign it. There is also a class MAJEC program that we will be doing in class.

### **5. Assessment**

Test files will be sent home two times each semester. Once you have looked through the tests and work samples, please sign and comment on the cover page and send it back to school.

Term 1 – Test Files (Week 8)

Term 2 – Test Files & Semester 1 Reports

Term 3 – Three-way Conferences & Test Files

Term 4 – Test Files & Semester 2 Reports

If you have any questions or problems throughout the year, please bring it to my attention immediately and don't leave it until the interviews. I am around in the mornings and afternoons for a brief chat, however, if you would like to have an in-depth discussion please arrange a time after school where I can give you my full attention.

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## **6. Homework**

The children have a Homework Book which they are expected to take home each night and return the following day. Any notes to go home will be given to the student and it is expected they will be returned ASAP. The Diary is to be used to communicate with me and vice versa and should be checked every night for any additional information or timetable changes. Please date and initial any notes specific to your child so I know they have been received. If your child is absent, please send in a written note or email to the front office. Verbal discussions with myself cannot be categorised as an absentee note.

### **Reading Homework**

- Children are expected to read at home each night.
- The children will read to myself at least once a week.

### **Maths Homework**

- Each week a sheet will be sent home on Monday for the week. Each night the children are to complete the correct day's work.
- The children are required to bring their sheet to school every day for it to be marked.

## **7. Parent Handbook**

All current policies are printed in the handbook, please refer to them as necessary.

## **8. Uniform**

Children are expected to wear the correct St Joseph's uniform including footwear. Please ensure all items are clearly marked with your child's name.

The school has a very strict NO HAT, NO PLAY policy. Therefore, hats should remain in your child's tub at school.

## **9. Assemblies**

Assemblies are on Fridays at 8:45am in the St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre. Parents are always welcome. If your child is receiving a merit certificate, I will contact you to let you know either by phone or a note. Please check the school calendar for more information.

## **10. Birthdays**

I am happy for treats to be sent in for children's birthdays. If you are unsure as to 'what's best' please check with myself prior. We currently have 31 children in the class.

## **11. Behaviour Management**

Positive verbal feedback and encouragement will be strongly used in the classroom. Rewards such as stamps, lollies, free time or fun class activities will also be used.

Severe behaviour issues will be dealt with by Mrs Rebecca Clarke, Head of Primary.

## **12. Questions**

