

Welcome to Year 4

Teachers

Mrs Chantel Smith

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Mrs Louise Crees

1. Prayer & Welcome

2. The School Day

Our classroom door will generally open around 8:30am. Children are expected to unpack their own bags and set up their work station for the day. Siren will ring at 8:45am.

The timetable for Semester 1 is below. Children are to wear their sports uniform on Tuesday and Friday.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Indonesian Mr Selvam	PE/Health Miss Frost *sport uniform	HASS Mrs Parker		PE/Health Miss Frost

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 (Geography – Semester 1 & History – Semester 2), Health & Physical Education and The Arts. The outcomes, learning activities and common assessments will be reflected in both Year 4 classes to ensure that all Year 4s are taught and levelled according to Year 4 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 term which will reflect what is being taught in class.

4. MAJEC

The MAJEC Program is our Christian Service Program. Students will be required to complete Christian service activities with the home and community. The hours need to be recorded in the homework diary and children will be expected to achieve a total of 5 hours of service over the year.

They will complete a reflection on their activities in class by Term 4 Week 4.

Sacramental Program

Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) will take place during Religious Education lessons in Term 3.

5. Assessment

Test books will be sent home once a term. Once you have looked through the tests and work samples please sign the cover page and send it back to school.

Term 1 – Test Books

Term 2 – Test Books & Semester 1 Reports

Term 3 – Three-way Conferences & Tests Books

Term 4 – Test Books & 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. My email is chantel.smith@cewa.edu.au should you wish to contact me to make a time to meet to discuss any issues.

6. Homework

Children are expected to do 40 minutes of homework Monday to Thursday. This year, homework will consist of reading, spelling and time table practice. Occasionally there may need to be additional homework as preparation to be used in class time.

Children are expected to read their Lexile book each night, with a quiz attempted on a regular basis, with a target of 15 Lexile quizzes over the term. The nightly reading needs to be recorded in the reading record page in the student diary and signed.

Homework will go home on Mondays in homework books and be checked on Friday mornings, including the reading logs and diaries.

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 and a note will be placed in the Student Diary to address any uniform issues. 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 will remain in your child's bag whilst at school.

Children should not wear jewellery or nail polish to school. They will be asked to remove jewellery and asked to remove nail polish.

Assemblies

Assemblies are on Fridays at 8:45am in the St Marcellin Performing Arts Centre. The aim is fortnightly assemblies and parents are always welcome. If your child is receiving a merit certificate I will contact you to let you know via email. Please check the school calendar for more information.

9. 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.

10. Behaviour Management

Positive verbal feedback and encouragement will be strongly used in the classroom. Rewards such as stickers, stamps, free time or fun class activities will also be used. Warnings are given when a rule is broken, along with why and how the rule was broken. Should the behaviour continue, further consequences will be to work away from the group, movement to a buddy class and/or time out from recess or lunch (max 5 min). Severe behaviour issues will be dealt with by Mrs Rebecca Clarke, Head of Primary.

11. Questions



