Grade 4 - Term 3 Overview - 2013

Numeracy
This term the students will continue to improve their conceptual understanding of multiplication and division. They will also investigate fractions and decimals, and their spatial thinking as they explore two- and three-dimensional shapes.

Literacy
In reading, the students will read a range of narratives, poems and factual texts to help build their comprehension and paraphrasing skills. In writing, they will explore the structures and features of narratives and poems.

Inquiry
Our science Inquiry unit this term will focus on the relationship between food chains and life cycle, and how these relationships are crucial to a healthy ecosystem. The students will investigate the different roles of plants, animals and insects (producers, consumers and decomposers).

Religion
Our first unit, entitled Eucharist: Celebrating Jesus’ Presence, will explore the significance of The Last Supper and coming together to celebrate Jesus as a community. Our second unit, entitled The Church Lives the Word of the Lord, will focus on the different ways that people live and express the teachings of Jesus in their lives and the world that they do.

Physical Education
The students will be focusing on developing their athletics skills, using beep tests to track their fitness levels and a short unit on gymnastics. The students will also be involved in a range of major games that involve hitting skills, such as tennis, badminton, cricket and rounders.

Art
During Art lessons, the students will be focusing on the way that Aboriginal art uses symbols, colour and painting techniques to communicate ideas and stories.

Italian
In Italian this term the children will be learning about clothing and the seasons. We will be focusing on what type of clothing we wear for each season through various activities. We will be making Father’s Day cards and writing a short description for this.

Music & Concert
In music this term, the students will develop their performance skills in preparation for our bi-annual school concert. This will include helping to develop our class act, singing, dancing and a little acting!

Bounce Back
Our Bounce Back unit this term is Courage. It focuses on the different ways that we can identify the emotions and thoughts that prevent us from trying new things and how to take calculated risks.