Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back! This term is a busy one with the Caritas Disco and Mini Vinnies Winter Sleepout starting the term with a bang!

**RELIGION**
We will complete units of work on Jesus, Prayer and Eucharist. We will also continue Making Jesus Real, with a focus early in the term on taking this program home and implementing the values of Jesus by showing more respect to our parents and responsibility around the house.

**MATHS**
The whole class will be taught further mental maths and problem solving strategies and be given opportunities to practice and develop these. The content the children will cover is different for each year level.
- **Year 4:** Time, multiplication/division algorithms and word problems, formal subtraction, data collection and display, mass, equivalent fractions and measuring length, temperature and perimeter.
- **Year 5:** Calculating elapsed time, two-digit by two-digit multiplication, multiplication/division word problems, column graphs and dot plots, mass, factors and multiples, division of three-digit numbers, length and perimeter.
- **Year 6:** Using 24-hour time and interpreting timetables, subtract and multiply decimals, identify prime/composite/square/triangular numbers, compare data displays, divide with remainders, work with integers and solve word problems involving length.

**ENGLISH**

**Reading:** This term we begin levelled guided reading groups and continue to follow aspects of the Daily 5. We will also be listening to an audiobook that will lead to us viewing and comparing the movie.

**Writing:** We will write persuasive and informative texts. Each year level will again be given Success Criteria that tell them the elements they must include in their writing to achieve for the text type.
- **Year 4** will write persuasive ‘essays’ and information reports.
- **Year 5** and **Year 6** will write persuasive ‘essays,’ advertisements and newspaper articles.

**SCIENCE**
We will conclude our exploration of Earth’s place in space and look at the forces of movement through the unit “Smooth Moves.”

**HEALTH/Technology AND ENTERPRISE**
Students will complete the unit on Cybersafety and will work to develop their own Google Site.

**EXTRA NOTES!**
- **Sports uniform** is required every Tuesday and Thursday. During Class Sport we will be training for cross country and competing in a Class Bocce Tournament!
- We will borrow books from the Library on Fridays so students will need their **library bags** at school that day. If they are renewing a novel, students must bring it to school to do so.
- **Magazines** wanted! If you have any magazines please send them in! We are always looking to stock our collage shelf.

As always, parents are welcome in our classroom at anytime. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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