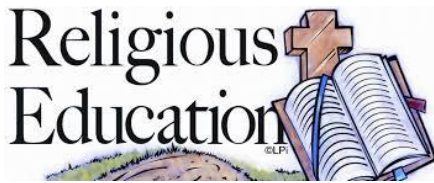




Year 6 Learning Overview

Term 1 - 2023

Welcome to Term 1. We look forward to a great term of learning.



This term we will learn about what it takes to be a great leader. The students will study the scriptural foundations of the Christian concept of servant leadership witnessed in the actions of Moses and the teachings and example of Jesus. As school leaders, students will be encouraged to apply these Christian ideals of leadership within their family, school and community.

Students will also study, **A Time for Reconciliation**, where they will learn through Scripture stories about the process of reconciliation with God and others, and connect this to Lent and Penance during this time. Our Easter unit, **Crossroads**, enables students to explore situations in their lives when they are faced with making decisions. They will study key Gospel accounts of incidents during Jesus' passion and death to be able to critically reflect on their personal decision making.



We will learn through the elements of our English block which are:

- Reading groups
- Shared reading
- Independent reading
- Read aloud
- Modelled writing
- Guided writing
- Independent writing

Our writing this term will focus on the use of considered language to entertain, inform or persuade audiences for an increasing range of purposes. This will include the elements of structure, sophisticated vocabulary, audience and the conventions of writing (spelling, punctuation and grammar). A variety of imaginative, informative and persuasive texts will be read throughout the term. In addition, we will be encouraging all students to read a variety of texts both at home and school.



This term we will explore mathematical concepts and skills through open-ended investigations and rich tasks.

We are working on how to use mathematical processes to investigate and explore real life problems. The topics we will be focussing on are:

- Whole Numbers - Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Length
- Area
- Two-Dimensional Space
- Angles
- Data
- Chance

We encourage students to practise skills and develop strategies such as doubles, near doubles, 10 more / 10 less, 100 more / 100 less etc. skip counting from any number to promote the recall of number facts and the quick recall of multiplication facts (tables).



In Year 6 this term, we will focus on the growth and survival of living things and how their adaptations over time suit their environment. Students will be investigating how and why food and fibre are produced in sustainable, managed environments that enable people to grow and be healthy. The students will further develop their knowledge and understanding of the environmental and biological sciences through inquiry learning and hands-on active learning experiences.

In **Coding** lessons with Mrs Lark, students will learn about the purposes of different apps. They will find out about app basics, the design process, simple algorithms, logos, slogans and explore the information required for all apps.

CREATIVE ARTS



In **Visual Arts** this term we are learning to investigate subject matter in an attempt to represent likenesses of things in the world and make artworks for different audiences assembling recycled materials in a variety of ways. The students will develop their knowledge, skills and understanding in appreciating their own artworks and those of others, recognising some relationships between artists, artworks, audiences and how the world is interpreted.

In **Music**, students will listen to music which exemplifies an easily identified beat and rhythm. One piece of music will have a visual component in even weeks and in odd weeks the piece of music will focus on the listening skill only. Students will continue to develop their notation skills and have an opportunity to put this into practice by composing music in Noteflight on Chromebooks.



This term our **Personal Development and Health** unit is: *How do empathy, inclusion and respect have an impact on myself and others?* The students will learn to select and use interpersonal skills to interact respectfully with others, to promote inclusion and build connections with their peers.

In **PE** with Mrs Baxter, the students will take part in the training and trials for the Athletics Carnival to be held during Term 2. All students in Year 6 will be given the opportunity to practise the various throwing and jumping techniques for discus, shot put, long jump and 800m. They will be given the opportunity to watch themselves throw the discus and shot put as a way to assess what they are doing and improve the quality of their throwing techniques. Students also will consolidate their throwing and jumping technique to improve their distances by using whole body movements in discus, shot put and long jump.



WEDNESDAY

Children are to wear their Sports uniform for gardening

THURSDAY

Music with Mrs Hancock
Coding with Mrs Lark
P.E. with Mrs Baxter

FRIDAY

Assembly 2:00pm

Children are to bring their Library bag for borrowing.

Children are to wear their Sports uniform for P.E.



Please ensure that your child's property is clearly labelled.

Please remember:

- Lunch boxes and Drink Bottles
- Uniforms (hats/jumpers/jackets)
- Library Bag
- Headphones (in a ziplock bag)
- Paint Shirt
- Gardening gloves (in a ziplock bag)

Please cover your child's books in clear contact to protect them and help with their longevity.

Parent/Carer and Teacher Communication



Chisholm is a safe, honest and respectful learning community and we value working in partnership with parents and carers. Grade teachers are available throughout the school year. If you wish to communicate with your child's grade teachers, please contact them via email between the hours of 8am and 4pm. Address emails to all grade teachers and the Learning Leader. Please understand that teachers may not reply immediately. Teachers will respond within 24 hours due to learning time, meetings and duties. If there are any urgent matters, please contact the school office. At Chisholm, parent/carers and teacher communication is safe, honest and respectful.

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Go to our [school website](#) to access all school dates and subscribe to our Parent/Carer Calendar.

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

6:30pm Monday 13 February Stage 3 Parent/Carer Information Evening

HOMEWORK



Students are encouraged to read for at least **30 minutes** each night. At times, students will be asked to research or prepare for class projects at home. On occasions students may also need to complete work started in class at home. This work can be accessed through Google Classroom or the students digital folders.