

Middle Primary NEWSLETTER

Term 2 2011



Dear Parents / Caregivers

Winter is here and didn't it arrive in style during the holidays. We begin this term by welcoming Ms O'Hagan to our syndicate and know M9 are going to continue their hard work and help her to become part of the St Patrick's school community. Mrs Marshall instilled and demonstrated the importance of hospitality and her class will continue to demonstrate this with their new teacher.

We hope the children enjoy the exciting and busy term we have planned for them. If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to contact us.

LITERACY

Our focus this term is Written Language and we will be developing proof reading skills with a focus on spelling and making sense of our writing.

Writers have to be readers so please continue to encourage your child to read. Research indicates that older children benefit greatly from being read to, so carry on with the bedtime stories

NUMERACY

Our main focus this term will be addition and subtraction . Multiplication will be introduced to groups in a way that is accessible to their needs. We will also spend time finding out about fractions what they are and how they fit into the number system. Please continue to help your child to master addition and subtraction facts using numbers to 10 (then 20, 100 ...)

DISCOVERY/ INQUIRY

Discovery Time begins in Week 2 and will continue for the rest of the term. This time it will link closely with our Inquiry Studies which has the focus of creativity. (Please check the list over the page for items we need for our activities.) And look out for further information about our learning and discoveries later in this term.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Week 1 Easter Module

Week 2-6 Holy Spirit Strand

Week 5 Syndicate Mass Thursday 2 June in the school chapel. Please join us

Week 7-11 Jesus Strand

Thank you for commenting on the work your children produced during the God Strand. The work becomes real when the children can share it with their families.

HEALTH & PE

We will focus on winter sports (Netball, Soccer, Rugby & Hockey) and staying healthy.

The Year 4 netballers, coached by Miss Jobbins, will have their first game in Week 2. A letter informing you of training and game venues will be given to all players.

God bless you all,

Nikki Jobbins M8

Robyn O'Hagan M9

Francis Nicholas M10

Jan Bevan M 11