



Kindergarten - Overview 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome to another new and exciting year. The children have settled well into new and different routines and our Open Learning Spaces. The following is an overview of the topics that we will be covering throughout the year.

KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

KB - Miss Holly Davis

KE - Miss Rebecca Rydzewski

KG - Miss Brianna Kean

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
God Loves Me From Ashes to Easter	My Family Loves Me God is our Creator	A community that celebrates God's love Jesus loved and respected others	Mission: Living as Jesus showed us A waiting Time Jesus is Born

ENGLISH

Reading - The children will be reading levelled readers in guided reading and readers circle groups. Your child will participate in guided reading lessons to explicitly teach reading strategies and comprehension skills. They will be regularly monitored and assessed to ensure that they are being challenged and supported. Fluency and an understanding of the text at literal and inferential level for both fiction and factual texts are crucial in their progression as a reader.

Writing - Students will explore writing imaginative, informative and persuasive texts throughout the year. We draw from a number of stimuli to motivate and engage the children in their writing. Feel free to encourage students to bring in items that might spark their imagination or fuel a great piece of writing.

MATHEMATICS

Throughout the year we will work towards outcomes from the various Mathematics strands: Number and Algebra, Statistics and Probability and Measurement and Geometry.

The Mathematics block is set up into three main components:

1. Warm up (with a specific focus on number building)
2. Rich open-ended task - mixed ability groups and investigations
3. Reflection time - students explain their thinking and the teacher summarises the main teaching points. We always ask the question: How did you work that out?

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY/SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Geography People live in places	<u>Science</u> Earth and Space Digital Technologies <u>Science</u> Living World	<u>Science</u> Material World Digital Technologies <u>Science</u> Physical World	History Personal and Family Histories



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CREATIVE ARTS

In 2019, the children at Corpus Christi will be taking part in an integrated Creative Arts program. They will be involved in visual arts, dance, music and drama activities. Music will be taught by Mrs Micallef.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH/PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Personal Development/ Health Being Healthy and Active	Personal Development/ Health Resilience Program	Personal Development/ Health Keeping Myself Safe	Personal Development/ Health All About Medicines/ Making Healthy Choices
Physical Education Locomotion, Games & Sports- Playground Games	Physical Education Gross Motor- Athletic Skills	Physical Education Games & Sports- Ball Games Dance Fever	Physical Education Games & Sports- Ball Skills Gymnastics

Kindergarten sport day is **TUESDAY**.

Students are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of daily fitness activities. Health and Personal Development units will also be studied throughout the year. Physical Education will be taught by Mrs McGrath. Health will be taught by Mrs Bosworth.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

COMMUNICATION

There are many forms of communication between school and home. Notes from home are handed to the class teacher in the morning. Please ensure your child is aware of any notes that you have placed in their bags. Any notes that are to be sent home will be put into the student's bag at the end of the day. We also encourage you to use the Skoolbag app as a form of communication.

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school this absence needs to be explained the following day. The reason for the absence is then recorded on the electronic roll, which is a legal document. The explanation can be made via a note written to the teacher, an email to the school, Skoolbag App or a phone call to the school office.

PARENT HELPERS

At this stage we will not be requiring volunteer helpers. However should an occasion arise that we do, the class teacher will distribute a letter asking for volunteers.

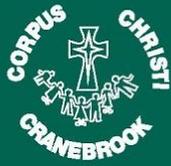
All volunteers must ensure they have completed the online 'Building Child Safe Communities' modules. This can be accessed by logging onto: <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au>

LIBRARY BORROWING

Thursdays: Children will need a library bag in order to borrow from the Library each week.

HOMEWORK

Homework differs from year to year. Students will be receiving a note every Friday outlining the events for the upcoming week along with a small task linked to the students classroom learning. Students are expected to **READ** every night. They can read any text they choose. **While reading every night is an expectation, we understand that the families at Corpus Christi participate in a range of extracurricular and sporting activities. These activities are just as important as the extra work we send home. Homework needs to be part of a balanced week for your child and should not consume your week.**



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EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Holy Week- Andrew Chinn Joy Cowley Day	Calmsley Hill Farm Living Eggs	 PDHPE - Dance Fever	 PDHPE - Gymnastics Science Incurison

NUT AWARENESS POLICY & SHARING FOOD

Parents and children are reminded that the sharing of food at school is discouraged. We have a number of children with allergies and one way to prevent incidents is to not share food. Please do not send extra food with your child to share. We also request that you do not give your children Peanut Butter or Nutella sandwiches or foods containing nuts or nut products for lunch or recess - these foods in particular pose a high risk to some of our children. Thank you for your understanding of this matter.

We are looking forward to working with you as partners in your child's education. If you wish to discuss with us any issues concerning your child, please see us at an appropriate time or call the school office to arrange an interview. All parents will be invited to attend a half-yearly interview towards the end of Term 2.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kindergarten Teachers