



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to term 2! We hope everyone had a relaxing break. This letter is a brief outline of what your child will be learning this term. Please continue to support your child's learning at home by reading with them every night. As the colder weather begins to set in and temperatures between inside and outside vary more clothing is often taken on and off, so please ensure that all of your child's belongings, especially hats, jumpers and water bottles are very clearly labelled. As a SunSmart accredited school, from 1 June the children are not required to wear their SunSmart hats outside. Hats will be worn again from 1 August.

**Mathematics**

This term, students will be given many hands-on opportunities to understand and explore:

- addition and subtraction
- place Value
- multiplication and division
- subitising
- practising the 'counting on' strategy.



**English**

Our new literacy program, Initialit, emphasises reading, writing, spelling, comprehension, fluency and grammar skills this term. Through engaging activities and tailored instruction, students will have the opportunity to enhance their literacy skills across various domains.

**W@M—Wellbeing at Macgregor**

Our W@M lessons this term will focus on ways to display kindness to others and problem solving during a game.



**Library**

LSGTW will all have a borrowing session in the library. At this stage they will occur on Mondays. Please encourage your children to bring a library bag to school as they will require one in order to borrow books.

**Science**

This term we will continue looking at earth sciences, focussing on landforms with a student led interest on natural disasters. This science based unit will see the children observing how our earth changes. By the end of this unit students will understand:

- what landforms are
- some causes and effects of natural disasters
- how they can influence their natural environments.



**Integrated Inquiry Unit HASS**

LSGTW will continue to explore contributions to communities. Students will discuss the following questions: Who is our community? What do we value in our community and why? How are we responsible for creating a safe, respectful learning environment? What are the benefits of being part of a community group?

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**The Arts**

This term we will focus on visual arts and music. Students will develop a variety of skills that will help children express themselves creatively as they become aware of rhythm, pitch, dynamics and expression of music. They will explore sounds as they learn to listen to and make music and learn to discriminate between sounds and silence, and loud and soft sounds.

In visual arts lessons students will explore how and why artworks are created and ways to use and apply visual conventions, such as line, shape, colour and texture learn how their ideas or subject matter can be developed through different forms, styles, techniques, materials and technologies.

**Dates to Remember**

- 6th - 8th May Year 5 camp
- 22nd - 24th May Year 6 camp
- 27th May Public Holiday
- 28th & 30th May School Photo Days
- 6th June SL@M Crazy hair day
- 10th June Public Holiday
- 4th July Athletics carnival
- 5th July LAST day of Term



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