



LSGCO Term 1 2024



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to a new and exciting year at Macgregor Primary School. We have had an enjoyable start to the learning year and are very impressed with the way all students have settled into their new classroom surroundings. This letter is a brief outline of what your child will be learning this term. Please support your child's learning at home by reading with them every night. As it can still be very hot during the day and UV levels are high, please ensure your child has a clearly labelled Sunsafes hat and water bottle. We would ask that all students leave toys at home as these can be very distracting to their learning and that of others. We would like to welcome Mrs Helen Middleton who has joined our team and Mrs Dailey who rejoins us on a permanent basis this year.

Our specialist class (STEM) is scheduled on a Thursday each week. Please contact your child's teacher via email if you would like more details.

Mathematics

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

- Addition and subtraction
- Place Value
- Days of the week and months of the year
- Subitising
- Practising the 'counting on' strategy

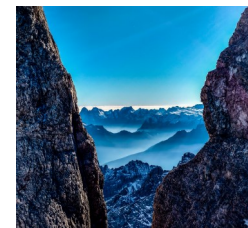
Specialists

In STEM, students will study the water cycle with a focus on designing solutions for water reuse and filtration. They'll explore hands-on activities to understand these concepts and brainstorm creative ways to conserve water. By the end of the term, they'll develop practical skills and awareness for sustainable water management.

Science

This term we have begun 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.
- The causes and effects of natural disasters
- How they can influence their natural environments.



W@M

Our W@M lessons this term will focus on ways to display kindness to others and problem solving during a game. Please welcome our new mascot Mags the Macgregor Magpie.



English

The children will be involved in a wide variety of specific activities to develop their skills in reading, writing, viewing and oral language. Children will:

- Use personal experiences to write short texts
- Learn about the structure of a simple sentence (capital letter and full stops)
- Explore different text types

Physical Education & Health

Students will be involved in regular P.E. sessions throughout the week that will focus on the fundamental motor skills. Our Health focus will be on personal hygiene and building strategies to use the Zones of Regulation when coping with big emotions.

The Arts

Classes will focus on visual arts and music. Students will participate in lessons to further develop a variety of skills that will help children express themselves creatively. In visual arts, students will explore forms like line, shape, and colour, honing the fundamental elements of artistic expression. In music, students develop instrumental and vocal skills, fostering a love for the art and expanding their musical understanding.

Integrated Inquiry Unit HASS

LSG classes will 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.

Library

LSG classes will all have a borrowing session in the Library. At this stage they will occur on Monday mornings. Please encourage your child to bring a library bag to school as they will require one in order to borrow books.

Dates to Remember

12th– 23rd Feb BASE testing Kindergarten
19th Feb Monday P&C Welcome BBQ 4-6pm
26th Feb Monday Swimming Carnival 2-6
 Water fun day at school K-1
11th March Canberra Day public holiday
13-25th March NAPLAN yrs 3 & 5
29th March Good Friday public holiday
1st April Easter Monday public holiday
8th April Monday Cross Country Carnival
12th April Friday Last day Term 1



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