



Year 6, 2019



Term 4



Farewell to Primary School

It's the last term in our school year and the last term for our Year 6 students at Good Shepherd. As the primary school years of your child's life draw to a close, there will be lots of mixed emotions experienced by everyone! Anxiety, excitement, apprehension, nervousness is all a part of the emotions your child (and perhaps even you!) is likely to experience over the coming weeks. Please be assured that we are working to alleviate the nerves and make your child's transition to high school a smooth one.

Over the next few weeks, students will be heading off to their prospective high schools for Orientation Days. For the purpose of our attendance data, please ensure your child **returns to school with a note explaining their absence**.

As part of their completion of primary school, the students will be working on their own Book of Memories. We have provided students with a spiral bound book for this purpose and they may need photographs from home to include in their work. Past students treasure their Book of Memories and we encourage the students to take their time and put thought into it's completion.

This term we will be learning about:

Religious Education

- Living & Sharing in the Mission of Jesus
- Sacraments of Service
- Advent/Christmas

English

Shared and independent reading and writing. Our work in English will reflect our learning and understanding of Australia as a part of a globally connected world through relevant themes. We will continue to work in improving our students' reading comprehension and vocabulary enrichment in all Key Learning Areas. Students participate in oral language activities throughout the school day. Students will also be completing a Reading Assignment this term as part of their preparation for high school.

Mathematics

- Working mathematically
- Position
- Patterns and Algebra
- Time
- Whole number
- Fractions/Decimals/Percentages
- Addition and Subtraction
- Length

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Perimeter ▪ Multiplication and Division
HSIE - Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Diverse and Connected World (Continuation of unit from Term Three)
Science & Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Energy (Continuation of unit from Term Three)
PDHPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Summer games skills ▪ Volleyball/Softball/Cricket ▪ Making decisions about Drugs
Creative Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Visual Arts ▪ Music

Important Diary Dates...

Wk 2

- Thursday 24/10 – Dental Check

Wk 4

- Tuesday 5/11 – **Year 6 Mass**

Wk 6

- Tuesday 19/11 – **Year 6 Reflection Day**
- Wednesday 27/11 – School Disco

Wk 9

- Monday 9/12 – Reports go home
- Wednesday 11/12 – Christmas Liturgy
- Friday 13/12 – Swimming Carnival

Wk 10

- Monday 16/12 – **Year 6 Graduation Mass 6.00pm**
- Tuesday 17/12 – End of Year Whole School Mass
- Wednesday 18/12 – Last Day for students!!

Homework

Homework is of a more individual and independent nature this term as we prepare our students for high school. A number of assignments will be posted in Google Classroom, so students are asked to daily check their email notifications. They are also expected to keep their Google Drive in order, by creating appropriate folders for their work. This is important as their Google accounts will remain the same if they go to a high school within the Parramatta Diocese.

Appointments with Teachers

Please contact the school office to make an appointment if you need to speak to your child's teacher. Teachers are often put in difficult situations when parents want a "quick word", as this is often when we are walking into class or dismissing students. Notifications through the office will be attended to promptly.