

MMA OVERVIEW

TERM ONE 2026

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Students will learn about community and belonging within the Catholic faith. They will explore what makes up the Catholic community and how we are called to care for and support one another.

Students will learn why forgiveness is important, including an introduction to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. During Lent, they will reflect on Jesus' actions and choices as he prepared for Holy Week.

LITERACY

Reading

Students will explore a range of literature to deepen their understanding of narrative features. They will analyse and discuss narrative structure and language choices to develop characterisation, setting, plot, theme and point of view. Students will also practise and strengthen key reading skills, including summarising, predicting, and analysing the effect of different language techniques on the reader.

Writing

Students will plan, draft and publish their own narrative texts, using appropriate text structures and language features to develop characterisation, setting and plot. They will also write persuasive texts, analysing and using persuasive language techniques to clearly express their opinions and convince the reader.

Speaking and Listening

Students will deliver SRC speeches to their classmates this term. Students will enhance their presenting skills by structuring their speech in an organised manner, providing relevant facts and descriptive details to enhance audience understanding. Students will participate in ongoing oral language activities throughout the term to build confidence in speaking, listening, sharing ideas and expressing their thinking clearly.

NUMERACY

Number and Algebra

Students will represent numbers to the tens of thousands and use place value concepts to partition and rename, as well as estimate and round numbers effectively. Students will also apply their understanding of place value to solve addition and subtraction problems.

Measurement and Geometry

Students will estimate, measure and compare lengths of objects using informal and formal units. Students will begin solving the perimeter of simple two-dimensional shapes.

Statistics and Probability

Students will interpret data from a range of graphical representations including column graphs and pictographs.

INQUIRY

The Inquiry Unit for Term 1 is 'How can we be Active Citizens?' Students will learn what it means to be an active and responsible citizen within their community. They will explore what rules are, why we have them and how fair rules help people live together peacefully and respectfully. Students will learn about rights and responsibilities and the qualities of a good citizen, such as fairness, kindness and cooperation. They will also learn how they can contribute to their community and share their ideas through persuasive writing, class campaigns and will actively participate in an incursion, 'Democracy, Community and Me'.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Through the 'Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships Program', this term, students will learn to identify how behaviours can influence their own emotions and the emotions of others. They will explore their personal strengths and how these strengths support their wellbeing. Students will also learn the importance of persistence and adaptability when facing challenges and how these skills help them manage different situations positively.

PERFORMING ARTS

In Term One, Middle students will use the Performing Arts space in ways that promote physical and emotional safety. In addition, they will investigate the skills used to perform and be an active audience member through dance, music and drama.

VISUAL ARTS

(MTC)

In Term One, students will be guided to apply their knowledge of art elements and consider PATTERN and BALANCE in their artworks. Self-expression and artistic choice will be encouraged. They will revise Art room procedures and safety. Emphasis will be on creating a positive atmosphere in the Visual Arts room so students feel comfortable to explore, experiment, create, reflect on and share their artworks.

STEM

(MEF, MAM, MMB, MAR, MVN)

In Term One, MMA students will learn about space, with a focus on the Sun, Earth and other planets in our solar system. They will explore how the rotation and revolution of Earth cause day and night and contributes to the changing seasons. Students will demonstrate their understanding through models, discussions, and hands-on activities.

ICT

This term, the students will explore safe and responsible practices while participating in online environments. They will be asked to consider ways to communicate appropriately when collaborating online and how to keep information safe. The students will use coding strategies to share their knowledge about eSafety.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term, the students will participate in activities and games that will help to develop ball-handling skills. They will also participate in sport education, learning the rules and playing netball and modified volleyball [Newcombe].

INDONESIAN

In Term One, students will develop their understanding of Indonesia, its culture and the Indonesian language. They will use Indonesian to communicate appropriately in everyday interactions, showing politeness and awareness of others. Through speaking activities, students will practise asking how someone is feeling and saying how they feel in Indonesian, helping them communicate confidently and respectfully.

LIBRARY

During Term One, students will re-familiarise themselves with our library rules and routines. Students will focus on shelving novels correctly using our labelling system and be introduced to the Dewey system for shelving nonfiction.

HOME LEARNING

MMA students are expected to read their take-home book, library book, or an online book on Reading Eggs each night. They should record the books they have read in their Reading Logbook. Each week, your child will be given a list of six spelling words. They are expected to practise these words nightly by completing the LSCWC (Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check) method and a word work activity. These words will be tested every Friday in a spelling test. Students will also have access to Mathletics which is a learning tool you can use at your discretion.

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