Dear Parents and Carers,
How often do we say this but where has the year gone? This term is even more action packed with swimming lessons, swimming carnival, the Suessical, excursions, Christmas and of course lots and lots of learning.
The children are looking forward to taking part in our science unit, ‘All mixed Up’ which is a Chemical Science. They have already started to think of their own experiments!
Looking forward to the term ahead,
Jo and Bernie
**Religion**

This term our two units for Religion are 'The Stories of God's People' and 'Called to Trust'. In the first of the topics the children will read and discuss stories from the Old and New Testaments and the messages behind these stories. In the second unit the children will learn about the seasons of Advent and Christmas.

**Important Dates:**
Reconciliation: Thursday 12th of November
Class Mass: Friday 23rd of October

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**Mathematics:**

This Term our first topic will be Money. The children will be learning about how to give and make change, add and subtract different amounts of money and also to problem solve using money as the focus. We will also be revising place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and measurement.

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**Literacy:**

In Reading our main focus this term will be comprehension. We will be learning about how to identify the main idea, sequence important events, recognise the author’s intention and recall important details from a story. In Writing we will be investigating how different authors engage the readers, through their use of 'sizzling starts', descriptive language and a clear story line. We will then see how we can apply these skills to our own writing to improve it and make it more interesting. Spelling will also continue to be a focus in Writing. The children will be adding to their list of frequently spelt words and learning 'rules' which apply to spelling.
Science:
Our unit of work for this term is 'All Mixed Up' which is a chemical science topic. The children will learn about materials that don't mix well and others that are difficult to separate. Through hands-on investigations the children will explore how changing the quantities of materials in a mixture can alter its properties and uses.

Homework:
As part of the homework task this term the children will be asked to investigate different materials that have a reaction and to present their findings to the class. A note will be sent home explaining this in more detail.

Suessical dates: Tuesday the 8th and Wednesday the 9th of December