Year Six Term Four Overview 2016

**Literacy**

The students will plan, compose and proof-read a variety of poems and identify figurative language. They will write their own roleplays and perform these to the class. The students will also be completing their final Celebration of Learning Presentation for their primary years at St Mary’s. In reading, students will be involved in literature circle groups, where they will be required to show their understanding of texts read through art, connecting ideas, defining key words and open discussion. Different elements of spelling patterns and rules such as less common prefixes and contractions will be investigated every fortnight.

**Numeracy**

The emphasis this term in Numeracy will be on probability, different elements of measurement and dealing with money. The students will draw and measure angles, as well as investigate combinations of transformations, reflections and rotations of images. Another exciting challenge that will be provided for students is to construct simple prisms and pyramids using a range of tools. We will continue with problem solving activities and reading, interpreting and understanding Math questions. Prior to finishing the year, terms and concepts covered in Semester One will be reviewed, in order for students to consolidate their understandings and to gain a further appreciation of the impact of Mathematical information in their daily lives.

**Religious Education**: The Year Six students will continue our unit ‘Teach Us To Pray’, from Term Three and take on two further units. We will investigate Mary as the perfect disciple and examine the place prayer has in our lives.

Our second unit ‘Be Compassionate – Choose Justice’, students will be looking at how the Catholic
Principles of Social Justice play an important part in how we should live our lives. In doing so, students will be looking at how The Beatitudes and The Ten Commandments tell us how to develop relationships with one another and with God.

As Christmas approaches, we will finish the year with the unit titled, 'Wait for the Saviour, He Will Come'. Our focus will be on how Advent is the preparation and waiting of the celebration of the Saviour’s birth and how revelations of God from the Scriptures mean to us today.

**Inquiry:**
In our unit *Events That Shaped Our World*, the students will undertake a scientific, geographical, political or historical investigation into one significant event that changed our world. They will understand that the lives we lead today are the result of the ideas, inventions and decisions made by other people.

In our final module ‘Upgrade: Journey Into Year Seven’ the focus is the process of transition to secondary school. We will examine the expectations that will be placed on them and the many changes that they will experience, as they move forward with their learning.

**Homework:**
- Reading: 30 minutes per night.
- Homework and additional research tasks will be set during the term.
- Maths revision four times a week: 20 minutes

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**Special Events For Term Four:**
Swimming Lessons will commence on Tuesday 4th October. Year Six students will be having their lessons at 2:15p.m. Lessons will continue until Friday 15th October.

Summer District Sports (European Handball, HotShot Tennis & Soccer) will be every Friday morning starting on Friday 22nd October.

Rookies Incursion – Monday 7th November
They will attend a Transition Day at St Theresa’s to assist them with their move to secondary school – Monday 14th November

School Athletics Carnival – Monday 21st November
Students are expected to attend the Year Six & Foundation Sunday Mass & Morning Tea on Sunday 4th December starting at 10:30a.m

The Big Day Out at Funfields – Tuesday 13th December

Graduation Mass will be held on Wednesday 14th December starting at 6p.m. School concludes for Year Six on the same day.