



St. Anthony's Catholic School

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SPECIAL ACADEMIC NEWSLETTER TERM 1, WEEK 2, 2019

Years: 7 & 8

Room: 4

Name of Teacher: Miss Nicola Cook

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

New year greetings to you all. I look forward to working with your child this year, in the senior class at St. Anthony's Catholic School.

In this Term 1 Academic Newsletter please find information about Curriculum coverage and Assessments.

Thank you to those parents who took time in the holidays to continue to support their child with their learning by encouraging them to read (maybe even making a visit to the town library) and working for short bursts on the learning or retention of the basic facts.

Thank you also to those parents who have ensured that your child is ready with the stationery necessary to start the school year. Please ensure your child has a full-brim sun hat, correct Summer sandals and wears their school uniform with pride.

Goal Setting Interviews are to be held on **Wednesday 13th March and Thursday 14th March, in Week 7**, this term. I look forward to seeing you all then, as it is a team effort working for and with your child. Please note these dates in your calendar.

Swimming this year is to be held in the afternoon, so that our morning blocks focus solely on learning. Please note the dates for each week from next week so that you child can come prepared with their swimming gear:

Week	Swimming Days	
Week 3:	Tuesday 12 th February	Wednesday 13 th February.
Week 4:	Wednesday 20 th February	Friday 22 nd February
Week 5:	Monday 25 th February	Wednesday 27 th February
Week 6:	Wednesday 6 th March	

Curriculum Coverage and Assessment

1. Curriculum Content:

This term we aim to cover the following strands or units in:

- **Religious Education:** Jesus Strand and Lent
- **English Reading:** Oral Reading / Comprehension Strategies
- **English Writing:** Letter Writing / Recounts / Literacy skills
- **Mathematics:** Number Knowledge / Number Strategies (Addition/Subtraction) / Statistics - Probability
- **Social Science:** Place and Environment
- **Technology:** Food Technology
- **Health and Physical Education:** Water Safety & Sun Safety / Swimming / Small ball skills and games
- **Fine Art:** Sketching – Human faces, hands, feet and bodies – with a focus on proportions.
- **Music:** Liturgical songs / New Zealand songs

Please ask your child regularly about what **effort and progress they are making** with their learning. The Year 7 & 8 students are of an age where it is vital that they realise they need to take responsibility for actively working to improve themselves in all areas of their learning.

2. Assessment: This Term we have the following scheduled Assessments planned:

	Curriculum Area	Type of Assessment	Week of Assessment	Year Levels	Room	Teacher
1.	Religious Education	Formal End of Strand Test - Jesus	Wk 7	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook
2.	PAT Testing	English/Mathematics/Science	Wks 5 & 6	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook
2.	Senior Mathematics	Number: Basic Facts /100	Wk 3	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook
	Senior Mathematics	Strand - Statistics	Wk 11	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook
3.	English	Writing	Wk 10	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook
3.	Social Science	Place and Environment	Wk 11	7 & 8	4	Miss Cook

Please ensure that your child comes to school on time and each day, so they can be well-prepared for these Assessments.

Signature of Teacher:

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