Hope you had a restful and holy Easter Break!

Term 2 is going to be an exciting and eventful term of learning.

This Term....

Our learning and teaching intentions for literacy this term will include a focus on reading and comprehension skills, and writing. We have started literacy rotations in the morning session focusing on these specific skills.

In Math’s we will continue with addition and subtraction strategies, skip counting in 2’s, 5’s and 10’s to 100, measurement and geometry, and statistics and probability.

Our Science focus is Earth and Space this term, which involves looking at changes in the sky and landscape. One of our homework tasks will involve an evening observation project which encourages us to observe how things change from before and after nightfall.

In History we will be looking at differences and similarities between student’s daily lives and life during their parent’s and grandparent’s childhoods, including family traditions, leisure time and communication.
Our Religion focus will be on Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and how she is honoured by Christians past and present. The students will develop their understanding of the Hail Mary, the Catholic prayer honouring Mary.

**Classroom Helpers**
We would like to invite parent helpers in the classroom on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 to 9:00am. If you able and would like to help, please fill out the attached form and return it to your classroom teacher.

**Year 1 Homework**
This term we will continue with a similar homework format with the addition of a writing task. A school exercise book will be included in their homework folder for this task. Please ensure that your child remembers their homework folders on Friday, as it is important for them to learn a sense of responsibility and independence towards their learning.

**Excursion**
Our excursion this term will be based in our local community, to explore natural, constructed and managed features of our environment. The Valentine Creek walk provides a real life opportunity for students to apply their scientific and geographical knowledge that they have learnt so far. To ensure the safety of the students we will be asking for volunteers to help supervise this excursion. Please keep Thursday 5th May in mind and a note will follow closer to the date.

**Library**
1M New Library Day - Monday
1N and 1J - Tuesday