



McDowall State School

Year 5 - Term 3, 2024

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What's Happening

01.08.24	Yr 2 Bunyaville Excursion Yr 4 Living History Incursion
05-06.08.24	Yr 2 Bunyaville Excursion
06.08.24	Parliament House Visit - School Captains
12.08.24	School Council Meeting
13.08.24	Open Morning - New Families Prep (8.30-10.30am)
14.08.24	Ekka Holiday
16.08.24	Grandparent's Day (8.30-10.30am)
19.08.24	Singfest
19-23.08.24	Book Week
20.08.24	Instrumental Music Parent Information Night #1 (6pm - Hall) Busking Competition
21.08.24	Yr 2 Recruitment Concert Yr 5 Planetarium Excursion
22.08.24	Yr Planetarium Excursion
23.08.24	Book Week - PJ Day
26.08.24	Merrille O'Neill Assembly Yrs 5-6 Wavell SHS Literacy Olympics Yrs 5-6 District Mathematics Tournament P&C Association General Meeting
28.08.24	Merrille O'Neill Assembly Beginner Band Blitz (Everton Park SS)
29.08.24	P&C Association Father's Day Stall Yr 3 Ngutana-Lui Excursion
30.08.24	Student Free Day
02.09.24	Yr 6 Mathematics Olympiad
03.09.24	Yr 3 Ngutana-Lui Excursion Yrs 5-6 Chamber Music Concert (Hall) P-1 Surf Lifesaving Presentation
05.09.24	Yr 3 Ngutana-Lui Excursion
06.09.24	P-6 School Cross Country
12.09.24	Casual Dress Day (Gold Coin Donation)
13.09.24	P-6 School Ball Games Carnival

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Welcome to another busy term in Year 5!

This term overview outlines the work units that will be studied, along with the activities that have been planned to support learning in the classroom.

Below are the units we will be studying this term.



English

Book Report

Students will engage with a variety of informative texts to build the background knowledge they will require to write a book report. They will explore how text features such as chapters, headings and subheadings, tables of contents, indexes and glossaries guide the reader to understand and access information in a text. Students will use texts as models to create a book report to present to an audience.

Mathematics

This term, students have opportunities to develop understandings of:

- **Number** — apply understanding of relationships to convert between forms of numbers, units and spatial representations with fractions and decimals
- use mathematical modelling to solve practical problems, with guidance, using natural numbers and operations, and report on insights and conclusions reached about the context
- use common percentages to make proportional comparisons of quantities
- **Measurement** — use appropriate metric units to directly measure the area and perimeter of regular and irregular spaces and mass and capacity
- **Space** — apply an understanding of relationships between objects and two-dimensional nets

Science

Our place in the Solar System



In this unit, students will describe the key features of our Solar System, including planets and stars. They will discuss scientific developments that have affected people's lives and describe details of contributions to our knowledge of the Solar System from a range of people. Year 5 students will be going on an excursion to the Brisbane Planetarium in week 7 this term.

HASS

Communities in Colonial Australia (1800s)

In this unit, students examine key events related to the development of British colonies in Australia after 1800.

They identify the economic, political and social reasons for colonial developments in Australia after 1800 and investigate the effects that colonisation had on the lives of Aboriginal peoples and on the environment.

Technology

Digital Technologies

Students will explore digital systems and their components, then create a digital game using design and visual programming skills.

Health & Physical Education

Health

Emotional interactions

Students recognise that emotions and behaviours influence how people interact.

Movement

This term all students will receive a 30-minute PE lesson per week. They will participate in a 'Ball Games' unit, learning skills, tactics and strategies in the games of Tennis and Baseball.

School Tennis Tournament

Students in Years 5 and 6 are encouraged to take part in the annual school Tennis Tournament held this term.



Inter-house Sports

This term students will participate in the Inter-house Cross Country Carnival and Ball Games Carnival.

Japanese

This term students will explore the concept of personal spaces within their own home environment and personal spaces in Japan. Students will continue to develop their knowledge of hiragana.



The Arts

Music

Year 5 students will have one 30-minute music lesson each week with Ms Woodruff. Children will participate in a variety of musical activities that develop skills in singing, playing instruments, listening, moving, improvising and composing.

Drama

Students will participate in a drama unit connected to poetry. Students will transform a narrative poem into a short story drama. Students will create short scenes and freeze frames that communicate the story to an audience of peers.

Library

The Year 5 students have been reading up a storm in Semester One and we thank parents and care givers for supporting their child's love of reading. The major celebration for Term 3 will be the Book Week (19th August – 23rd August) and associated activities. The Tartan Times will advertise further details closer to the event.

Merrille O'Neill Writing Competition

This term all students at McDowall State School will participate in the Merrille O'Neill Writing Competition. Students in Years 2 to 6 will each write a piece of poetry. A special Senior Assembly will be held on 26th August to announce class and year level winners. Winners will also share their poems at the Junior Assembly on Wednesday 28th August.

Brisbane Planetarium

Year 5 students will be attending an excursion at the Brisbane Planetarium. Further details have been sent home in the permission note.

Wednesday 21st August: 5D3, 5G2, 5G4

Thursday 22nd August: 5/6D1, 5D4, 5G3

Payment Form**Year 5 - Term 3, 2024****Payment Options****Payment Options:**

1	Online (Preferred)	QParents - Online and App - Please use existing reference numbers on QParents for payments. BPoint – Please use CRN (Customer Reference Number) and Invoice number for payments on https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete . If you are unsure, please request a statement by sending us an email on admin@mcdowallss.eq.edu.au or calling the school office on 3872 5333.
2	Credit Card	Call BPoint Credit Card with CRN number and invoice number on 1300 631 073 to make payments anytime. At School Administration – ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8am – 11am. Minimum payment: \$10.
3	EFTPOS and Cash	At School Administration – ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8am – 11am. Minimum EFTPOS payment: \$10. If sending with your child / leaving in the deposit box at School Administration, please enclose correct money in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name, class and this form.
4	Cheque	Made payable to "McDowall State School." Please enclose in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name, class and this form.

> A receipt will be sent home with your child via the class teacher.

> Where economic hardship exists in paying, please contact the Business Manager to negotiate a payment plan.

> Refunds - parents may claim a refund only when the costs have not required additional subsidy by the school due to cancellation of student attendance. If a student cancels his/her attendance, a refund will only be given if this does not impact on the final costs by other students toward the planned excursion.

Payments Due in Term 3, 2024

Activity	Amount
Year 5 Planetarium Excursion	\$22.00
Total Cost	\$22.00

Detailed excursion letters with permission slips will be forwarded separately as required