



ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, YEAR 2, TERM 4 2025

Curriculum Overview

SPECIAL EVENTS/MESSAGES

Thurs 16 October - Year 2 Excursion
Wed 22 Oct – Sports and Cultural Photos
Fri 24 Oct – Boorowa Netball & Touch Carnival
Fri 24 Oct – 2T Community Prayer
Thurs 30 Oct – League Tag Carnival
Fri 31 Oct – Fete Muffi Day
Sat 1 Nov – Jubilee Mass + Multicultural Night
Mon 3 Nov – SCC Open Meeting @6pm
Thurs 6 Nov – Year 2 Class Mass
Sat 8 Nov – St Thomas School and Parish Fete
1– 3 Dec – Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 5 Dec – 2RN Community Prayer
Thurs 11 Dec – Carols Night
Fri 12 Dec – Reports sent home
Mon 15 Dec – Colour Run
Tues 16 Dec – Year 6 Graduation
Thurs 18 Dec – Meet the teacher for 2026
Thurs 18 Dec – Candle Ceremony

ENGLISH

In Term 4, students will continue to consolidate their learning through the InitialLit program, which focuses on spelling, fluency, comprehension, and grammar.

Reading and writing will be integrated, with students engaging in a variety of response-to-

text activities across the three main text types — entertaining, persuasive, and informative texts. Throughout the term, students will continue to build their vocabulary, strengthen their sentence structure, and refine their text composition skills.

MATHEMATICS

In Term 4, students will participate in explicit lessons focusing on money (calculating simple totals and change within \$0–\$20), mapping, and statistics (conducting surveys and creating simple graphs).

Alongside these focus areas, students will continue to develop essential number skills, deepening their knowledge and understanding of the four main operations — addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

HASS

In Term 4, students will explore History, learning about the past and present and how technology, daily life, and community roles have changed over time. They will also develop key historical skills, such as sequencing events and comparing experiences from different time periods.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In Term 4, students will learn about the sacredness of God and all creation, including the value of human life. They will explore how people can be co-creators and caretakers of God's world by making choices that promote peace, justice, and respect. Students will also

reflect on how believers nurture their relationships with God, others, and creation, and recognise how unkind choices can harm these relationships.

THE ARTS

The Arts (Visual Arts) – Bianca Breen
Music/Drama – Mr Ryan
Media Arts/STEM – Mrs Rootes in Library

HPE

In Term 4, students will continue participating in The Resilience Project, which focuses on building emotional wellbeing through the key principles of gratitude, empathy, and mindfulness.

In Physical Education, students will further develop their fundamental movement skills through a range of cooperative, sport-based games, encouraging teamwork, fair play, and active participation.

LIBRARY

Students attend library lessons each week on a **Thursday**. We will be borrowing on even weeks (weeks 2, 4, 6, 8, 10).

Please provide a library bag for this lesson each week.



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UNIFORM

Please ensure your child attends school each day in the correct uniform. See <https://www.sttap.act.edu.au/school-uniform> for clarification. Notes will go home as a reminder if your child attends school in the incorrect uniform.

Hats: Hats are compulsory during outdoor activities, including recess and lunch. The only exception to this rule is during June and July when hats are optional.

READING AT HOME

Reading at home each day helps your child build fluency, comprehension, and confidence as a reader. Regular practice supports all areas of learning and develops a lifelong love of reading. We encourage families to make daily reading a part of their routine — even just 10–15 minutes makes a big difference!

CANTEEN

Please note that **canteen lunch items are quite large** — one item is usually enough for your child. Some students are unable to finish all their food in time and are eating during class, so please consider portion sizes when ordering.

The canteen is open **Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday**, with orders placed via the **Flexischools App**. Cash orders are only accepted at **recess**, and **lunch orders are for pick-up only**.

If your child has both a **recess and lunch order**, please still send them a **fruit break**, as they are **unable to collect their order before recess time**.

NEED TO KNOW INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE:

If your child arrives after the bell in the morning, please sign them in at the Front Office.

Please log any absences through the online Compass App at your earliest convenience.

LUNCH BOXES:

Please include only recess and lunch in your child's lunchbox with a **separate container, or a piece of fruit (banana or apple) for their fruit break**. This allows easy access during learning time which is when fruit break occurs.

Please ensure your child has a full, labelled drink bottle daily.

LABELLING:

Please label all your child's uniform items, containers, and belongings.

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