Year 5 Curriculum Overview
Term 1, 2015

**English**
- Paragraph Writing
- Narrative Writing
- Class novel: Gold, Graves and Glory by Jackie French
- Comprehension and vocabulary tasks relating to the class novel
- Comprehension, grammar and vocabulary skills
- Spelling strategies
- Handwriting

**Maths**
- Whole number to millions: Reading, writing, place value, ordering, expanded notation, rounding and partitioning of numbers
- Multiples, factors and simple rules of divisibility
- Mental and written calculation involving addition
- Problem Solving
- Statistics and probability: Data representation and interpretation
- Angles: Estimate, measure and compare angles using degrees. Construct angles using a protractor
- Shape: 2D, quadrilaterals, triangles and their nets.

**Science**
- Earth’s Place in Space – Investigating the features of our solar system

**Humanities/History**
- The development of British colonies in Australia in the 1800s
- Comparative paragraph writing

**Art**
- Colour theory
- Tones and shades
- Silhouettes

**Health**
- Personal development
- Leadership
French
- Speaking, writing, listening and reading activities about French icons, cities, famous French people, French alphabet and ways of greeting.
- French sea explorers. (Linking up with History topic)
- Preliminary preparation for French speaking competition in Term 2

Drama
- “Getting to know you” activities to promote group cohesion, development of confidence and empathy with peers.
- Working in whole groups and small group situations, and in a range of dramatic activities to explore ‘Earth’s Place in Space’.
- Exploration of the text ‘The Letters of Rosie O’Brian’. Using dramatic elements, and characterisation skills to prepare and perform scenes from this text in small groups.
- Oral and written responses to evaluate progress and performance work.

P.E.
- Swimming
- Cross Country/Athletics

Religion
- Spiritual Practices: Habits of the Heart, Praying in Colour, Gratitude
- Jesus in the stories of St Mark
- Easter

Library
- Exchange, Literacy Pro (formally Lexile), OPAC review, Encyclopedia of Britannica Online, Dewey Decimal System review
- Fiction and Non-Fiction Organization, authors and genres
- Promoting good reading habits, reading stamina
- Reading for pleasure- ‘Kensuke’s Kingdom’ - Michael Morpurgo- Guided Reading Sessions-discuss, chapter summaries, character studies, predictions, reflections, analysis

Music
- Orchestral instruments
- Rhythmic patterns including combinations of quavers and semiquavers
- Performing in groups using recorder, xylophone and percussion
- Learning basic playing techniques on Percussion, Flute, Clarinet and Brass instruments