



Welcome to Prep!

We are so excited for another great year of teaching and learning at Loganholme State School. Please read through the information below to find out what your child will be learning in the key learning areas this term.

ENGLISH

In English this term, students will listen to texts, interact with others and create short spoken texts that represent their thinking. They will share thoughts and preferences by speaking to an audience. Students will develop their understanding of letter sounds and explore blending and segmenting sounds to represent and read basic word structures. They will listen to a range of diverse and engaging texts, developing their comprehension skills by making connections between characters and to personal experiences.

Students will demonstrate their speaking and listening skills through participation in small focus oral language groups exploring greetings, questions, and describing words.

MATHEMATICS

In mathematics, students will name, represent and order numbers, comparing collections up to 10 through hands-on investigations. They will share explanations and thinking using developing mathematical language. Students will learn to recognise and copy repeating patterns. They will use subitising and counting strategies to determine the size of a collection. Students will name and represent familiar shapes using various representations.

SCIENCE

Our Science unit this term focuses on the external features of plants and animals. Students will engage in investigations, make observations and label simple diagrams.

HASS-

Students will explore the people in their family, where they were born and raised and how people in their families relate to each other. They will share a perspective on information, such as stories about significant people.

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

ART

In this unit, students will explore media arts by using available technologies to capture and sequence images, sounds and text. They will explore ways to represent and communicate ideas and stories. Students will discover how they and others can use media to communicate feelings and understandings.

HEALTH—Mr Nickson

In Health, students will be practising identifying different feelings, and making connections between feelings, body reactions and body language.

TECHNOLOGY— Ms Roser

This term, students will be exploring Digital Technologies. They will be using technologies such as iPads to explore and identify how common digital systems (hardware and software) are used to meet specific purposes. They will begin to create and organise ideas and information using simple information systems, and learn to share information safely to create a digital representation of themselves.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION—Mr Bray

In Physical Education, students will be exploring different ways that they can move their bodies.

MUSIC—Mrs Ingram

Students will develop their musical skills by using voice, movement, and body percussion. They will be learning to match pitch and to experiment with their speaking and singing voice to recognise the differences between the two.

Specialist Lessons	PL	PK	PT
Music	Friday	Friday	Wednesday & Friday
Technology	Thursday	Thursday	Thursday
Physical Education	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Health	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Library	Friday	Friday	Friday



What is Positive Culture for Learning?

Positive Culture for Learning (PCL) uses a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) framework for a whole-school, evidence-based approach to teaching behavioural expectations. Schools using this framework take an instructional approach, recognising that the behaviours needed for success at and beyond school need to be explicitly taught. The MTSS framework supports implementation of effective classroom management, informed by a continuum of evidence-informed practices. This means setting clear expectations, explicitly teaching expected behaviours, providing positive reinforcement, and applying consistent and fair consequences when needed.

Positive Culture for Learning at Loganholme State School is underpinned by the school's core values:

We are Kind – interact and communicate with others respectfully

We are Accountable – be responsible for your own actions and the safety of self and others

We are Learners– actively engage in your own learning, while allowing others to learn.

Each fortnight, a whole-school focus is specifically chosen using school-wide data to improve student engagement and learning. This year, we begin with our whole school focus of 'Terrific Transitions', where all staff explicitly model and reinforce expectations for how students transition between activities throughout all stages of the school day. This focus on high expectations cannot be achieved without the engagement and support of Parents and Carers. We appreciate your partnership to enable all students to be lifelong learners.

Key Dates for Term One	
Date	Event
26th January	Public Holiday
5th February	Meet and Greet
20th February	Sports Tag Gala Day
27th February	School Photo Day
8th March	Cross Country
15th March	Multicultural Day
28th March	Last Day of Term One

We look forward to partnering with you for a successful and engaging year for your child/ren. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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