Japanese Curriculum Overview

Term 1, 2017

Upper Primary

- Japanese greetings and self-introduction sentences used at the beginning of each lesson with developing complexity throughout the year.
- Japanese New Year traditions with a focus on the year of the rooster.
- Japanese houses: What they look like and how to describe them in Japanese using simple to complex sentence structures.
- Hiragana alphabet: developing ability to read and write hiragana letters. Each child has their own goal they are aiming to achieve by the end of the year.
- Katakana and Kanji alphabets: Challenge children to use these alphabets more frequently when opportunity arises.
- Japanese culture: Setsubun Festival (Bean Throwing Festival)
- Japanese religion: comparisons between Australia and Japan.

Middle Primary

- Months of the Year: Pronunciation and significance of particular months in Japan.
- Days of the week: What does a typical school week look like in Japan? How to say sentences in Japanese about what we do on particular week days.
- Japanese New Year traditions with a focus on the year of the rooster.
- Japanese greetings and simple self-introduction questions and answers to begin each lesson.
- Japanese religion: comparisons between Australia and Japan.
- Hiragana alphabet: developing ability to read and write hiragana letters. Each child has their own goal they are aiming to achieve by the end of the year.
- Katakana and Kanji alphabets: Challenge children to use these alphabets more frequently when opportunity arises.
- Japanese culture: Setsubun Festival (Bean Throwing Festival)

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### Months/Days

#### Junior Primary

- Basic introduction in Japanese. “Hello. My name is ________.”
- Location of Japan including some basic comparisons with Australia.
- Japanese New Year celebration including the year of the rooster.
- Colours: How to say colour words and answer simple questions in Japanese.
- Hiragana alphabet: developing ability to read and write hiragana letters. Aiming to confidently recognise 25 letters by the end of Year 2.
- Introducing some katakana letters and kanji through names and numbers.
- Japanese culture: Setsubun Festival (Bean Throwing Festival)