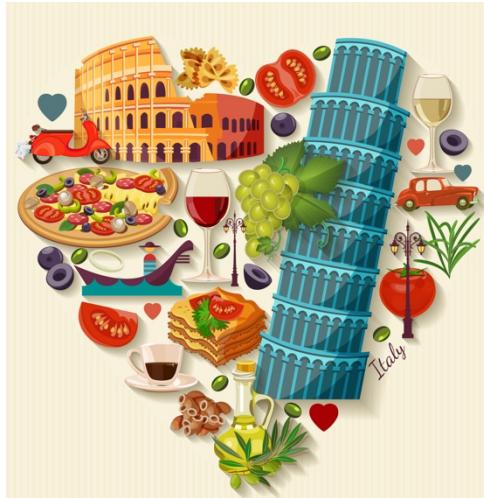


Italian Overview – Term 1 2021



Dear Families,

Welcome back to the new school year!

For those who are new to the school or have not met me before, my name is Rachel Clarke and I am the teacher of Italian at East Torrens Primary School. My role as a language teacher is to teach students about the Italian language and culture but also to support the development of their literacy and numeracy skills. I use an ‘intercultural approach’ to teaching which allows students to share, reflect and compare what they know about their own language and culture to that of the Italian language and culture.

Each term I will send out a short overview of what each class will be learning about as you will see this term’s below.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me via my email (rachel.clarke122@schools.sa.edu.au) from Monday to Friday.

Looking forward to a great year in Italian!

Cordiali saluti,

Rachel Clarke

Learning Overview – Term 1



H22, H23 & M4 – Reception & R/1

Children will participate in a range of songs and games to help familiarise themselves with school and daily routines. They will learn simple greetings and phrases in Italian and learn about vowel sounds.

M1 – JP Special Needs Class

Children will listen to stories and songs spoken in Italian. These texts will support their learning and adjustment to their school routine.

M3, M3a & M8 – Years 1/2 & 2/3

As a class we will be reading books, listening and participating in songs and games relating to the topic of family and friends. Students will learn to talk about their family and friends in the Italian language and reflect on how families can be similar and different.

M7, R12 & C19 – Years 3/4 & 4/5

The language focus for students this term will be learning how to describe, in Italian, themselves and the members of their family. They will be creating a small book showcasing their family and friends. Students will explore some of the traditions people in Italy share together as a family and compare them to that of their family and cultural traditions.

R15 – Primary Special Needs Class

Students will be learning about Italian culture through stories, songs and videos. They will learn the names of family members in the Italian language and create their own family portrait. Our lessons will be focused on supporting the development of students' fine motor skills, their ability to follow verbal instructions and the development of their social and emotional skills.

C20, R17 & R13 – Years 5/6 & 6/7

The term will begin with a short revision on how to describe themselves compared to how to describe other people in the Italian language – using videos and learning apps such as 'Coffee Break Italian' and 'Duo Lingo'. Students will then learn about some famous Italian people and from these weekly discussions, begin their own research project on a celebrity of their choice. This will develop their ability to be able to describe other people in Italian. Students will work towards presenting their project to the class.