

GRADE 6 NEWSLETTER

~ Term 4, 2014 ~

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to Term 4. This term is a very busy term with lots of exciting and engaging programs planned for students.

Important Term 3 Dates:

6th October- Term 4 begins

6th - 10th October - School of Rock Program

23rd October- Wyndham Youth Resource Excursion

27th October- Welcome to Hoppers Day (HCSC)

3rd November- Curriculum Day

4th November- Melbourne Cup Day

9th December- State-Wide Transition

17th December- Moving On Up Day (Grade 6 Big Day Out)

18th December- Grade 6 Graduation Evening

School Of Rock

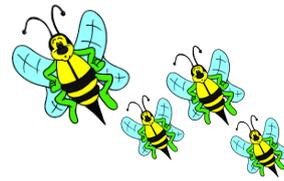
This week, all students in Grade 6 have participated in School of Rock. This involved students writing lyrics, and learning and creating choreographed routines and an E-Magazine. This formed part of students' transition to high school by reading timetables, developing good organisational skills, and moving between classes. Students have been working hard all week. A performance for families will be held in the gym this Friday 10th October at 2:00pm.



Term 3 Inquiry Unit - Cradle to Grave

Cradle to Grave is this term's inquiry focus. Students will develop an increased awareness about themselves, including how they are unique, changes they will experience in 5, 10, 20 and so on years, and how they will physically, mentally and emotionally change over time.

Part of this unit will also involve a work experience aspect where students are asked to spend one day with a parent in their place of work. This will be running in week 7 (17th - 21st November) and further details will be provided closer to the date. This is an extremely rewarding experience for students and parents and we look forward to your enthusiastic participation. This inquiry unit does require parental permission and students have received a note. Please ensure you return this note as soon as possible.



Year 7 Transition

Throughout this term, students will participate in numerous transition programs. Please read all correspondence from your child's secondary school to ensure you are up-to-date with important events.

Moving On Up

Moving On Up occurs throughout Term 4. Students will participate in a Big Day Out (17th December) and a Grade 6 Graduation Evening (18th December). More information will be provided over the next few weeks.

Grade 6 students will also be conducting 'Bake Sales' over the next few weeks to offset some of the cost associated with Moving On Up.

Netbooks

The Grade 6 students continue to participate in the netbook program, building on their great work and skill development. Please ensure home users bring their netbooks to school, each day, fully charged.



Ongoing Communication

Diaries have been given to all students and we ask that they are checked and signed by parents each week. This is a great way for the students to organise school and homework demands, and ensuring parents and teachers have effective two-way communication with each other. Students are expected to have the diary with them at all times. We ask parents/guardians to sign the diary each week as it will be checked and signed off by the classroom teacher.

Student Absences & Lateness

Please remember that if your child is late or absent from school, a note explaining the absence should be sent to the classroom teacher.

Uniforms

It is important that all students are wearing correct uniform at school. We expect all students to wear the appropriate school colours in our uniform which is light blue polo shirt, red jumper or jacket and navy blue shorts, track pants or trousers. Grade 6 students are allowed to wear their Grade 6 'hoodie', however the hood should remain down whilst at school. It is also expected that students with hair at or below shoulder length tie the hair up for health and safety reasons. Students are required to wear a navy blue bucket hat or wide-brimmed hat at recess and lunch throughout Term 4.

We look forward to working in partnership with you throughout Term 4.

Regards,
Grade 6 Team