

# GRADE 6 NEWSLETTER

~ Term 3, 2018 ~

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to Term 3. This term promises to be a very busy term with lots of exciting and engaging programs planned for students.

## Important Term 3 Dates:

Australian Maths Competition - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August (selected students from Grade 3-6)

Science Week - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August

District Athletics - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August

Book Week - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August

Wyndham Spelling Bee - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August (one representative from Grade 5/6)

Grade 6 School Camp - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> September

End of Term 3 - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September

## Grade 6 Camp - Mt. Morton 17<sup>th</sup> Sept - 21<sup>st</sup> Sept

Grade 6 Camp is this term from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September. Thank you to those families that have already paid the initial deposit and are making regular installments. Full payment is required by 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Students who are attending camp will receive further information throughout the term. If you have not already done so, could you ensure you have completed and returned your child's medical and dietary information form.

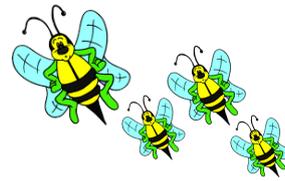


## Term 3 Inquiry Unit- Our Wild World

Our Wild World Inquiry unit will see students learning about the adaptations of living and non-living organisms in our world. Students will carry out experiments on plants to determine how they adapt to different environments and conditions. Students will also be exploring natural disasters within Australia and around the world.

## Mathematics

Students will be applying their understanding of the four operations to decimals, fractions and percentages. They will develop their understanding of number sequences and apply algebraic equations to complete number sentences. Using practical applications, they will be estimating, testing, calculating and recording the probability of a variety of events. They will also be working with three-dimensional objects and using capacity and volume to measure these.



### **English**

Students will continue to develop their opinion-based reading skills from a variety of text types, using literal and inferred information to justify and support their point of view. They will be writing scientific reports based on observed experiments, explanations and information reports on a research topic.

### **Spelling Bee**

All classes will be running spelling competitions in order to select entries for the 2018 Wyndham Spelling Bee competition. There will be one entry from the 5/6 grade levels, with the Wyndham final to be held on the evening of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.



### **Netbooks**

The Grade 6 students continue to participate in the netbook program, building on the 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 their school and homework demands, also ensuring parents and teachers have effective two-way communication with each other. Students are expected to have their diary with them at all times. We ask a parent/guardian to sign their child's 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. As all grades have buddy grade reading to do first thing every morning, it is important that all students are here by the 8.20am bell.

### **Uniforms**

It is important that all students are wearing correct uniform when 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 off the head whilst at school. It is also expected that students with hair at or below shoulder-length tie hair up.

We look forward to working in partnership with you throughout Term 3.

Regards,  
Grade 6 Team