

GRADE 6 NEWSLETTER

~ Term 4, 2017 ~

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to Term 4. This term promises to be a very busy term with lots of exciting and engaging programs planned for students as they move into their final term of primary school.

Important Term 4 Dates:

11th October: Softball Divisional & 13th October: Volleyball Divisional (qualifying students)

16th - 20th October - School of Rock (performances for families at 2pm Friday 20/10)

31st October- Welcome to Hoppers Day (for students attending HCSC in 2018)

2nd November- Wyndham Youth Resource Centre Excursion

6th & 7th November- Melbourne Cup Holiday/Curriculum Day

12th December- State-Wide Orientation (Govt. schools - all 2018 Year 7 students)

20th December- Grade 6 Big Day Out

21st December- Year 6 Graduation

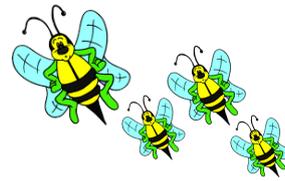
School Of Rock

During Week 2, all students in Grade 6 will participate in School of Rock. This involves students writing lyrics, learning and creating choreographed routines and an E-Magazine. This forms part of the students' transition to secondary school by reading timetables, developing good organisational skills, and moving between classes. Students work hard all week and performances for families will be held in the school gym on Friday 20th October at 2:00pm.

Term 4 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 years and beyond, and how they will physically, mentally and emotionally change over time. This inquiry unit does require parental permission for various aspects of work and students will receive notes for completion. Please ensure you have returned these notes as soon as possible.

Part of this unit will also involve a work experience aspect where students spend one day with a parent in the parent's place of work. This will be running in Week 6 (13th -17th 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.



Year 7 Transition

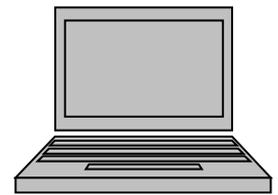
Throughout this term, students will participate in numerous transition sessions. Please read all correspondence from your child's secondary school to ensure you are up-to-date with important events.

Moving On Up

Moving On Up occurs throughout Term 4. Students will participate in a Big Day Out (20th December) and a Grade 6 Graduation evening (21st December). More information will be given over the coming weeks.

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.



English in Term 4

During reading in Term 4, the students will continue to develop their reading comprehension strategies and skills, interpreting and presenting their thoughts across different text types. These include development of inferencing and response, expressing and supporting opinions, and relevant note taking. Our writing units will complement the various aspects of our inquiry unit, with work on personal recounts, creative narratives and a range of poetry formats.

Mathematics in Term 4

Throughout the term, we will continue revise the key number concepts, applying the correct order of operations to a variety of mathematical problems. We will continue work with regular problem-solving and weekly math challenges. Focus areas for this term will include algebraic application, data interpretation, collection and creation, and time activities.

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 Grade 6 hoodie/shirt, light blue polo shirt, red jumper or jacket and navy blue shorts, track pants or trousers. All students are also required to wear a navy blue bucket hat or wide brim hat at recess and lunch throughout Term 4.

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

Regards,
Grade 6 Team