

5/6 Term 2 Newsletter, 2024



Message from the classroom

What a great start to Term 2! Students have settled in nicely and are eager and ready to learn. This term our Year 5 and 6 students will continue with Year 5/6 Sports where they will be given the opportunity to participate in either Netball, Volleyball or Soccer. Year 5's will be taking part in the buddy program where they will have a prep buddy to work with and mentor and the Year 6's will be continuing their work in the leadership program where they will be working together on a Catering challenge.

Visual Arts

In Term 2 students will continue working on their three-dimensional models. They will apply problem solving skills and make choices about materials and aesthetic effects.

Italian

Students will be working on the topic: 'il tempo libero' (leisure/hobbies), focusing on developing pronunciation, while using grammatical knowledge to interpret and create meaning in Italian.

PE

In Grade 5/6 this term, students will be learning to kick a stationary, moving and in-hand ball. These skills will be applied in a game of soccer and AFL. These skills will develop the students' hand-eye coordination and develop their ability to make accommodations to a variety of ball sizes, shapes and weight. Year 5/6 Sports will begin it's Winter Season this Friday 26th April with Soccer, Netball, Volleyball and a school-based activity every Friday for the term.

STEM

In Term Two, students will be learning about the materials and processes involved in creating a variety of paper-based aeroplanes (including scale models). We will explore various aspects of physics including aerodynamics and delve deeper into understanding the engineering process. The main project for this term will be for students to build a scale model of an aeroplane.

Important Dates

- 18th April - School Photos
- 22nd April - Curriculum day (no students at school)
- 25th April - ANZAC Day public holiday
- 9th of May - Mother's/Special person Day Stall
- 10th June - King's Birthday Public Holiday
- 28th June - Last day of school

Reminders

- Please make sure you are signing into **Compass** to get the latest school updates, communicate to the school community and to record any absences.
- Please keep up to date with all the activities in our classrooms by checking in on **Seesaw**.
- If your child brings a mobile phone to school, it must be signed in at the office.
- Please make sure your children are complying with our school uniform policy which can be found on the school's website.

In Our Classrooms



Reading

This term in reading, students will continue to work on reading strategies that will enhance their understanding of non-fiction texts. These strategies include comparing and contrasting, skimming/scanning, searching for and using information, researching and finding the main idea. During daily reading sessions, teachers and students will continue work together to set reading goals and work on reading stamina.

Maths

This term in Maths, students will be focusing primarily on addition and subtraction using a range of mental and written strategies to solve problems of whole numbers and begin to explore decimal numbers. We will also have small focus on data interpretation (understanding graphs) and how to tell time (24 hour time and elapsed time).

SEL

In S.E.L., (Social and Emotional Learning), students will be continuing to work on and develop their emotional regulation skills. Students will be guided through techniques and strategies that will help them navigate strong emotional responses such as anger, excitement and sadness.

Writing

This term in Writing we will be exploring the structure of both an information report and biography. We will identify the purpose of these writing pieces in how we learn and take in information. Students will start by choosing a topic and will be encouraged to develop their ideas. They will plan to include subheadings and images, whilst researching their topic to provide relevant information using different online resources.

ICT

This term in ICT, students will be working on achieving their eSmart Digital Licence. The eSmart Digital Licence is an online cyber safety program that teaches upper primary aged students critical digital skills to be smart, safe and responsible online. They will work their way through four modules in their fortnightly ICT lessons in order to achieve it.