

# YEAR 5/6

## Classroom Newsletter

### TEACHER'S NOTE

Welcome back everyone to Term 3!

This term we are very lucky to have the lovely Miss Barton in with us doing her final practicum placement.

We plan on doing lots of engaging and captivating lesson in the term ahead.

Miss Buegge.

Hello everyone, I am thrilled to have the opportunity to spend time teaching and working with the Year 5/6 students over the next five weeks!

I am a fourth year, Curtin University student undertaking my final placement for Primary Education. I am so happy and grateful to be in such a beautiful, friendly environment. I have been so impressed with the students' welcoming kindness and hard work ethic, and I look forward to supporting them in their learning during the weeks to come. If you have any questions or would just like to chat, I am more than happy to help where I can. I am excited and ready for a brilliant start to the term in the Saint Joseph's community!

Emily Barton

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## ENGLISH

### Spelling.

In Spelling, we are working from the Di Rigg spelling program and supplementing this with the Di Rigg dictation program.

### Writing.

In writing, the students have begun learning to write informative texts. The students will be selecting a topic and then creating an information text which will be turned into a speech for them to present to their peers.

### Reading.

In reading this term, the children will be continuing working from the Flying Start to Literacy Program and also experiment with choral reading activities, which involve poetry recital and reading with expression.

## Important Dates

### August 5th

Confirmation Workshop.

### August 7th

Year 3/4 Assembly.

### August 12th

St. Mary MacKillop Feast Day & Kindy/Pre Primary Liturgy.

### August 19th

Assumption of Mary.  
Whole school Year 3/4 Mass.

### August 21st

Year 1/2 Assembly.

## NOTICES

### Homework

Homework will be sent home from week two. It will again be in the grid style, where students choose one assignment per week.

### Uniform

For Term 3 students wear the Winter uniform with sports uniforms on Thursdays and Fridays.

### Canteen

Tuesdays.

### Library.

Library is held on Tuesdays.

## Maths

### Year 5

The year 5 students' will be starting the Term with a focus on the Number and Algebra strand followed by Measurement and Geometry strand of the National Curriculum. Within this strand the students will explore.

- Place value: Read, order, and compare decimal fraction to the thousandth.
- Fraction and decimals: Decimal fractions and percentages. Explore percentages as a fraction of 100 and convert fractions, decimals, and percentages.
- Decimal fractions: Add and subtract decimal to hundredths.
- Percentage: Percentages using a calculator.
- Financial: Develop a financial plan and records

**Homework** book has been sent home in week 1. If your child is having any difficulty with their homework, I am only too happy to help them.

### Year 6

In the first five weeks of Term 3, the students will be covering the following topics.

- Place value: Decimal division, division of decimals, multiplication of decimals, renaming percent as fractions, discount and operations with money.
- Measurement and Geometry: Read and interpret timetables, add and subtract time, timetables and international timezones.

### Supporting your child with Mathematics

Use mathematical words when describing things. For example, instead of saying “the big red bucket,” you might say “the 10 Litre bucket”. Instead of saying “the large packet of rice,” you might say “the 2 kg packet of rice”. In this way, children get to hear quantities being stated as an everyday way of describing things.

## HASS

### History

In History, students will be studying the Gold Rushes, colonial conflicts and transport in the 1800s in Australia.

### Economics and Business

This term, students will be focusing on Economics and Business. They will be focusing on Aboriginal Australians use of resources and how they managed the land.

## Religion

This Year 6 unit explores that God made people with a body and a soul, and that our soul helps us to be loving and good. Your child will learn that the soul is not a physical part of the body but will last forever even after physical death.

Before he rose to heaven, Jesus promised his disciples that he would send the Holy Spirit to help them to live as he taught and spread his message to others. This promise was fulfilled at Pentecost, when the Apostles received the Holy Spirit and began to spread God's message.

During the Sacrament of Confirmation, the gifts received at Baptism are strengthened by the Holy Spirit which helps people to live as Jesus taught. Your child will learn that when they use the gifts of the Holy Spirit people are able to think, speak and behave more like Jesus in their daily lives.