YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

Important Dates

10 Feb

Parent information night

12 Feb

P&F welcome back event

15 - 19 Feb

Year 6 camp

17 Feb

Ash Wednesday Mass

1 March

Labour Day pulic holiday

3 March

Year 4/5 class Mass

5 March

Assessment books home

7 March

Commissioning Mass

Teacher Note

After officially the strangest start to a school year yet, welcome back all and hopefully there will be no more surprises for us! I hope everyone has stayed safe over the holidays, particularly last week and that everyone is ready to begin the school year with gusto.

As this is a rather unpredictable time, we will be flexible to situations that may arise and do our best in delivering a comprehensive education to the students.



Writing

Students will be studying narrative text at the beginning of term. They will be looking into the elements used to construct a descriptive and imaginative narrative story.

Reading

Students will be working in groups on the Flying Start to Reading texts. They will focus on reading fluency and comprehension strategies to assist them in furthering their reading abilities.

Spelling

We will be using the Diana Rigg Spelling Program where the children will focus on a range of activities to help them understand words at a phonological level right up to being able to be effectively used in their writing.

Maths

In the first five weeks of term in Maths the students will be covering the following...

- Prime and composite numbers
- Square and triangular numbers
- Divisability tests
- Multiplication by two digits



Religion

In the first five weeks of term the students will be studying Vocation

This Year 6 unit explores how each of us are called to join in God's work by caring for ourselves, others, society and the environment. Your child will learn that God creates within each person the gifts and talents needed to share in God's work

The Parable of the Good Samaritan will be used to demonstrate how Jesus teaches his followers to show love and concern for all people. Your child will be reminded of the two Great Commandments of Jesus: to love God and to love others.

Christians are called to share in God's work. This calling is their 'vocation.' Your child will learn that Christian vocations as lived through the lifestyles of being single, married, a priest or religious brother and sister, are the different ways that people are called to love. The call 'to love' is what God asks of his followers.

Health

In Health, students will examine how identities are influenced by people and places, they will look into health information and investigate community resources and ways to seek help about health, safety and wellbeing. Students will also plan and practice strategies to promote health, safety and wellbeing.

HASS

In History this term, the students will be studying Australia's system of Government including the first governments, Australian parliaments, our constitution and the steps which led to federation. They will then take a further look into our federation and how Australia went from six colonies to one nation, the reasons why we federated and also a look at the people who were pivotal in federation of Australia.

In Civics and Citizenship this term, the students will be looking into the timeline of federation and how the Westminster System influenced the Australian system of government. They will also learn about our federal parliament and its members and also the role of the Monarchy in Australian government.

In Business and Economics this term, students will study trade-offs and the sacrifices people make to obtain something, opportunity cost and how our decisions and choices are influences by how we value one action over another and also limited resources and how individuals, businesses and governments have to make choices about how to use resources in an effective and sustainable way.



To Note...

Canteen: Canteen days will be Tuesdays.

Library: Library will be held on Mondays.

<u>Homework</u>: Students will be sent home a homework grid with a weekly assignment and nightly activities.

<u>Uniform</u>: In Term One, students are to wear the summer uniform. Hats are to be worn at recess and lunch times and sports uniforms to be worn on Thursdays and Fridays.