

5/6B Newsletter

Term 1, 2020



Welcome to 2020!

The students have all settled into the classroom and I am looking forward to an exciting year of learning and discovery. Feel free to contact me regarding any concerns or if you'd just like to have a chat. You can message me through Class Dojo, call the office or swing by the classroom. I look forward to meeting you at the upcoming parent teacher interviews.

Kind regards,
Elley Borland.

Key Dates

Thurs 13/02	District Swimming Trials (selected students)
Fri 14/02	Interschool Sport vs COHR (home game)
Mon 17/02 + Wed 19/02	Parent / Teacher Interviews
Fri 21/02	Open to Learning from 3:00pm
	Interschool Sport vs Sacred Heart (home game)
Tues 03/03	Division Swimming Carnival (selected students)
Fri 06/03	Interschool Sport vs Oakleigh (away game)
Mon 09/03	Labour Day Public Holiday (no school)
Tues 10/03	Curriculum Day (no school)
Fri 13/03	Harmony Fiesta
Mon 16/03 - Wed 18/03	Year 5/6 Camp to Anglesea
Fri 20/03	Summer Gala Day
Fri 27/03	Last Day of Term 1

Important Information

Class Dojo

Class Dojo has been set up so that you are able to connect with your child's learning and communicate with myself. Make sure you are connected so you can keep up to date with what's happening in the classroom!



Interschool Sport

We are looking forward to some friendly competition this term with COHR, Sacred Heart and Oakleigh Primary Schools. Students will be playing either Softball, Basketball, Rounders or Cricket. Training and matches will take place on Friday mornings. We look forward to the Gala Day later this term.

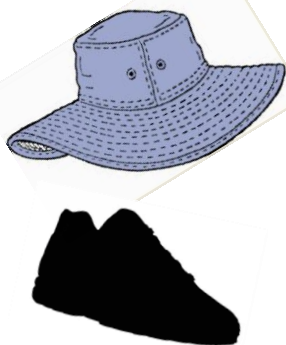
Inquiry

Our inquiry unit for Semester 1 is 'Geography'. In Term 1, we will be focusing on Natural Disasters. Students will explore how different disasters are caused, where they occur as well as the impacts they have on society. Students will also investigate warning systems and methods for prevention for potential disasters.



Uniform

Sun hats are an important part of the school uniform during Term 1. Students are expected to wear their hats during recess and lunch times, during PE, and during any outdoor activities or excursions. I recommend students pack their hats in their bags each evening, to avoid forgetting them the following day. Students are also expected to wear black shoes as part of the school uniform.



Important Information

Camp

Year 5/6 students are very excited to be attending camp in Anglesea later this term. We will be departing on Monday 16th March and returning to school on Wednesday 18th March. More information will be sent home closer to the date. A parent information evening for camp will be held closer to the date.



Play is the Way

This year we are continuing to implement 'Play is the Way'. This is a practical method for teaching social and emotional skills using guided play, classroom activities and an empowering self-reflective language.



Students participate in these sessions each week to develop their social and emotional wellbeing. For more information about the program, please see the Play is the Way website.

Tissues

Thank you to the families who have contributed a box of tissues to our class supply. If you have not contributed a box, your help in adding to our supply would be appreciated.



Mobile Phones

Please remember that mobile phones are not allowed at school. If your child requires a phone, it needs to be handed into the office in the morning and can be collected at home time.



Attendance

Regular and punctual attendance is extremely important for your child's learning! All absences must be covered by a note or a phone call from home. Please inform the office of any extended holidays outside of the regular school holiday periods. Please be aware the school day begins at 8:50 with either Fitness or Mindfulness to help students settle into the day's learning.

Important Information

Homework

This term, students have homework in the form of projects and daily reading. Students are expected to read for at least 20 minutes each night and record their reading in their log. Students will also be given projects to complete over a given timeframe. They are currently working on an 'All About Me' project which is due on Monday 17th February.



Open to Learning

Our 'Open for Learning' date for this term is Friday 21st February from 3:00pm. You are invited to visit your child in the classroom and see what we have been learning!



5/6B Timetable

Monday	9:30 - 10:15	PE
	11:30 - 12:15	STEM
Tuesday	2:45 - 3:20	LOTE
Wednesday	11:30 - 12:15	Music
	12:15 - 1:00	Art
	2:45 - 3:30	Greek Enrichment (selected students)
Thursday	2:00 - 3:30	Year 5/6 Rotations
Friday	9:00 - 11:00	Year 5/6 Sport