

Room 15

Class Newsletter

Term 2

Mel Chatfield Year 5/6

### Important Dates Term 2

Week 2 – Naplan Year 5's Tues  
9<sup>th</sup>, Wed 10<sup>th</sup>, Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>

Week 3 – Parent Teacher  
Interviews

Week 5 – Reconciliation Week

Week 7 – Student free day 13/6

### School Uniforms

It is important that all students are in full school uniform to reflect the pride we have in our school. School jumpers can be purchased from the front office.

### Attendance

If your child is absent from school please notify the front office or leave a note in your child's diary. It is important that your child is at school on time each day so they don't miss any learning.

### Tissues

Please send in a box of tissues for the class. Winter is coming and so are runny noses.

### Curriculum

**NAPLAN** – we are currently preparing Year 5 students for NAPLAN which will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 2. We have been practising writing persuasive texts and narratives. We will also be practising how to fill out the paperwork required and sitting under test conditions. A lot of children enjoy doing NAPLAN – it's not that scary!

**Maths** – In maths we will be studying multiplication and division and decimals, fractions and percentages. If set work is not completed in class time it will be sent home for homework

**English** – students continue to work on their individual spelling and reading programs. It is important that children read regularly at home. Readers are borrowed every Wednesday and independent readers borrow novels on Fridays. This term we will be learning how to write information reports and explanations. Reading groups will resume in Week 3 with a focus on teaching reading comprehension skills and fluency and expression.

**Geography/History** – this term students are working on a project about a country of their choice – Year 5's choose from Europe/North America and Year 6's focus on Asian countries and culture. They have an assessment task due at the end of Week 3. They are being asked to work on this for homework. Please check in and help your child as needed. They may require a USB to be able to transfer work from school to home. Later in the term Year 5s will learn about Colonial Australia and Year 6's will learn about Federation and democracy.

**Science/ICT** – In Science we are learning about Space and the solar system with students choosing a planet to write a report about. We will also look at Volcanos, Earthquakes and Tsunamis. In ICT we will be begin looking at coding and making online games.

**Specialist Subjects** – students go to specialist lessons for Health and PE, the Arts and Chinese.

I look forward to speaking to you at Parent Teacher Interviews in week 3. More information will come home soon about booking in a time.

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