

Room 15

Class Newsletter

Term 3

Mel Chatfield Year 5/6

Important Dates Term 3

Week 2 – 4/8 Student Free day

Week 3 – Author visit – Phil Cummings

Week 4 – Science Week

Week 5 – Book Week

Week 6 – Literacy and Numeracy Week

Week 9 – School Photos, Community Expo

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 sent in a box of tissues for the class. Winter is here and so are the runny noses

Curriculum

Maths – In maths we will be studying multiplication and division, transformation of shapes and lines of symmetry, data and statistics

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 writing explanations and scientific information reports.

Science/Technology – In Science we are learning about animal and plant adaptations. Students will also participate in individual and group investigations about the transfer of light and electricity and changes in materials. In technology we will be designing and making arcade games out of cardboard boxes.

Health and PE - students will learn sport specific skills around volleyball, soccer and gymnastics. They will also do more fitness testing and learn about food and nutrition.

Chinese Culture – Students will learn about the Ming Dynasty, Chinese Writing and Art

The Arts – students will learn about the styles, techniques and skills required for dances from around the world

Health - This term's health program will include the topic of relationships and sexual health. Participation in the lessons aims to improve your child's ability to develop respectful relationships, be confident and happy within themselves and their bodies, and make well-informed and safe decisions regarding their body and their relationships.. We will be delivering a comprehensive curriculum to students in years 5 and 6. Some of the lessons will be combined, some year level based, and some gender identified based. The program which will be delivered in a safe and supportive environment, builds knowledge, develops life-long skills, and explores attitudes and values. Topics include: communication, relationships, puberty, reproductive systems, gender/power/stereotypes, harassment, diversity, technology, safe behaviours, decision making and places to go for help and support.

At all times lessons will be sensitively addressed and relevant to the needs of the students. The program aims to support and compliment the role of the family in educating young people about relationships and sexual health and for this reason open communication is encouraged at all times. Please let us know if there are particular concerns that we should be aware of.