

5/6 Team

5/6A – Miss White, 5/6B – Miss Dedman

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Welcome back to school for term one! We hope you all had a very enjoyable and relaxing holiday. The 5/6 staff are looking forward to establishing routines with our new grades and setting up an exciting and nurturing learning environment for all students in our cohort.

We are all very excited for the year ahead,

If you have any questions or concerns please come and see your classroom teacher either before or after teaching hours, email us at any time or call the school. If we have any concerns we will always contact parents to ensure the lines of communication are always open.

Contact us anytime via email:

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Start of the day

In the morning student enter their classrooms via the outside doors and are allowed in when the music begins. Before this time, they are asked to leave their bags in the lineup area outside their classroom. Please remind your child not to walk down the corridor and to come inside when the music plays and not after the bell has gone.

At the start of the day staff only cover yard duty from 8:45am. Please consider the time your child arrives at school so they are not left unsupervised for any lengthy period of time.

Uniforms

We expect our grade 5/6 students to be the leaders of the school. This includes leading and modelling the correct wearing of our school uniform, including shoes.

Students' black shoes should be completely black, with no coloured laces or excessive coloured detail on the shoes. Every Thursday we will be running 5/6 sport, where students can wear their runners to school. This also applies to your child's given day of P.E (As listed PTO)



Upcoming Events

5th February

Camp Information Night
4:30pm

17th February

Wilson's Prom Camp

6th March

School House Sports Day

23rd-27th March

Swimming

Camp

We are all off on camp on Monday 17th February for 4 nights. For more information, feel free to come to our Wilson's Prom Camp information night on 5th February at 4:30pm!

Icy pole Friday

We will again be running Icy Pole Friday as a 5/6 fundraiser. If you are able to donate a packet of Zooper Doopers to the cause we would greatly appreciate your contributions.



More Important News

Homework

In grade 5/6 homework is given to prepare students for secondary school. The tasks are designed to help students become organised by learning how manage their time and return the work by the due date.

It is our expectation that all students will hand in their homework by the due date. Students will be advised of the consequences of not handing in their homework. Please support and encourage your child to complete these tasks. If you are unsure or your child is ever unsure about the task, please encourage them to come and see their teacher before the given due date. Homework club will begin in term two.

English

During Term 1 we will focus our writing on establishing the use of Writer's Notebooks and persuasive writing. Through reading, children also learn about writing and the ways authors connect ideas to tell stories or share information. Reading is a good way to build understanding of grammar and the use of punctuation. The more children read the better readers and writers they become! Please encourage your child as a reader to actively look for a series, genres and books that engage them.

Students should be reading a minimum of five times each week for at least 10 minutes- this will be a part of our weekly homework.

Maths

Please encourage your child to practice their times tables at home as knowing these will help in many mathematical applications. Students will continue completing our Blitzmaster program 3 times per week. Our applied maths topic for the term will be Geometry. Our Beyond Curriculum extension program will continue to run this year.

Compass

Classroom teachers will continue to use Compass to keep in contact with parents. We will aim to give you weekly updates on what is happening at school and for any reminders. Please come and see Flick if you are unable to log onto compass for any reason. Notifications can be set up through your compass app also so that you are always kept up to date.

Writer's Notebook pictures

As part of our start up program in literacy, we encourage our students to personalise their Writer's Notebooks. We are asking that students bring in pictures, artefacts, tickets or any memorabilia to set up their books. Please return these ASAP!