Grade Overview

Welcome
Welcome to Term Three Year Six
Your teachers, Mrs Meares and Mrs Worsley in 6 Gold and Mr Jones in 6 Blue are looking forward to another exciting and busy term with your children. We are happy to answer any of your questions before or after school. If you need to have a longer discussion please make an appointment to see us by sending a note asking us to arrange a time or contacting the office. Thanks to those parents who took the time to meet with us at the end of Term Two to discuss your child’s progress.

Year Six Term Two experiences
It is hard to believe that we are already in Term Three. The above quote from Dr Suess, gives us the focus for going forward this term, developing as independent learners.

Term Two was yet another busy and interesting term with the students participating in a wide range of activities that challenged many and provided opportunities for all to show their learning and leadership skills. We are all looking forward to listening to the students showcase their public speaking skills in the Voice of Youth competition. We look forward to the chance for our winners to compete against other schools this term. The Athletics Carnival highlighted the great spirit of Year Six as they participated and encouraged each other in races and fun events.

Days to Remember

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Subject Overviews

The Subject overview will give you a sense of what your children will be focusing on in class. These could be the things you talk to your child about through the term.

Religious Education

In our unit ‘Stewards of Creation’ the students will deepen their understanding and appreciation of creation and of God’s revelation in creation. They will appreciate their significant role and responsibility as stewards who care for creation.

The ‘Sacraments of Service’ unit allows the students to relate the service of married couples and priests to the family and the parish with the meaning and celebration of the sacraments of Marriage and Holy Orders. Students are encouraged to reflect upon the nature of their own vocation and how it is to be lived out in their daily lives.

English

This term Year Six will continue the Premier’s Reading Challenge, as the expectation is that all Year Six students will complete the Challenge. Novel studies will be a part of the literacy block with students continuing with The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe, by C.S.Lewis, providing the opportunity to develop their comprehension skills and experience quality literature. The students will also participate in viewing and composing a wide range of texts to further enhance their writing and reading skills. In writing the students are encouraged to view themselves as “writers”, who compose, construct and publish their work.

Mathematics

Mathematics activities this term are aimed at consolidating skills in the four operations (+, -, x and ÷) and applying them to problem solving tasks. A sound knowledge and recall of related number facts is vital for the accurate completion of mathematical tasks and will continue to be a focus this term. Math’s Olympiad tests with Mrs. Noble will take place on several occasions throughout the term while acquiring and applying problem solving strategies for all students will occur throughout all Math’s activities. Students will also be working on developing their skills in measurement and number.
**Science and Technology** will be covered in Term 4

**Human Society and Its Environment**

Our next HSIE topic “Our Australia connected to the world” will provide the students the opportunity to explore the issues associated with Globalisation. This topic will be covered as a Project Based Learning unit, and students will be working on both group and individual tasks. At the end of the unit students will showcase their final products. Students will draw up and sign a group contract within their groups or teams.

**Creative Arts**

The focus for our Visual arts unit this term will link closely with our Religious Education topics. The children will explore and produce artworks related to The Creation Story. It will also provide an opportunity to explore Aboriginal Dreamtime artworks and styles of painting.

The children will continue to have drama lessons with Mrs Sharon Taylor on Thursdays.

**Personal Development, Health and Physical Education**

During Personal Development and Health lessons we are looking at a unit of work called “I like Me” This unit explores the differences and similarities between people, gender and body image, changes in the body during puberty and the male and female reproductive systems.

The children will continue to have PE lessons with Mr Jones on Thursday. We will also have sport sessions in which we will focus on developing games skills and teamwork.
General Information

Homework

The students are expected to read for at least twenty minutes each day and record the text title and reference for each reading session in their diary. Our focus in Mathematics homework continues to be on developing mental strategies and on revising topics covered in class through a problem based challenge, which the students must complete by themselves. The students will also be working on tasks linked to the HSIE, and Religion units. We would ask that you support and encourage your son or daughter in their homework by signing off on their activities each week in their diaries.

Learning Support

The students of Year Six will also be supported in their learning for Mathematics and English this term by Mrs. Kath Noble who will be in class at various times throughout the school day. We are looking forward to an exciting, challenging and fun term with your children as the end of their time in primary school draws ever closer.