



5/6 NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 2024



DATES TO REMEMBER



FEBRUARY

27th - Parent Teacher Conference

MARCH

11th - Labour Day Public Holiday

13th - NAPLAN Testing begins (Grade 5s only)

28th - Last day of term 2:15pm finish

INQUIRY

This term our Inquiry topic is: 'How do we fit into the world around us?'

Our aim is to gain knowledge of Australia's connection with other countries. We are looking at comparing culture, economy, trade, geographical features and population of other continents and how this connects with Australia.

We have already completed a group project on each continent to get the background knowledge of them!

LITERACY

In Reading, students will be looking at persuasive texts to learn about both the structure and the persuasive techniques that are used in texts. These techniques include rhetorical questions, modal verbs, emotive language and hooks. Students have also been learning how to structure their paragraphs using TEEL which helps them to organise their writing. Students will use this knowledge in their own writing to create their own persuasive texts. Students are also using research and evidence to support their opinions and arguments. Many of their writing pieces will be connected to their Inquiry concept.

NUMERACY

In Numeracy, students will be looking at Place Value and Number. They will explore numbers up to hundreds of thousands and millions. This will be done through various activities, games and problem solving tasks. Students will also be learning various methods of Addition and Subtraction of numbers. This will include learning to use a range of written and mental strategies that will assist them in making accurate calculations.

TISSUES & WIPES:

Our classroom supply of tissues and wipes are running low. We would really appreciate your support in this area.



ALTONA MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

ART



Hello from the Art room! It has been wonderful to see our students so excited to return after our holiday break, and we wish to also extend our welcome to new students beginning at AMPS.

This term in Art, the Grade 5/6s will be learning about line and colour through drawing and painting. Students will view art from Asia and North America and create artworks for our school display to express their own ideas based on concepts of diversity and identity.

Looking forward to lots of fun in Term 1 in the Art room!

MUSIC



This term in Music the focus in Grade 5/6 will be on learning about the concepts of Beat, Rhythm and Tempo through playing music using the ukulele, guitar, keyboard and drums .

Those students who are part of the Just Brass band program will continue to have weekly instrumental lessons with Joanne from the Salvation Army and regular band practice on Fridays.

PE



This term, Grade 5/6's are revisiting the expectations of PE lessons while showing the school values and leadership skills. Students will continue to develop their specialised movement skills while participating in and promoting healthy exercise activities. Team work and sportsmanship continue to be modelled and expected as students work in different groups and teams. Students need to remember to bring a school hat to all PE lessons.

AUSLAN



WELCOME BACK TO TERM 1 OF 2024!

THROUGHOUT THE TERM GRADE 5 AND 6 STUDENTS WILL BE REINFORCING THEIR LEARNING FROM LAST YEAR, WHILE EXTENDING THEIR VOCABULARY AND GRAMMATICAL KNOWLEDGE OF AUSLAN.

THIS TERM THE GRADE 5 AND 6 STUDENTS WILL BE WORKING ON 2 MAJOR UNITS/PROJECTS.

CREATING A SHORT FILM UTILISING CONVERSATIONAL AND SHOPPING SIGNS.
CREATING DISPLAYS FOR AMPS THAT CONNECT WITH THE GARDEN, KITCHEN, AND NATURE.

STAY TUNED TO AMPS INSTAGRAM FOR MORE DETAIL THROUGHOUT THE TERM!

SAKG



IT'S VERY EXCITING TO BE BACK COOKING IN THE SAKG KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM WITH THE CHILDREN.

THIS TERM WE WILL BE FOCUSING ON:

- SAFE KNIFE AND FOOD HANDLING SKILLS
- HOW TO OPERATE KITCHEN EQUIPMENT SUCH AS PASTA MACHINES AND ELECTRIC MIXERS
- SAFETY PROCEDURES
- ROUTINE KITCHEN TASKS AND TABLE ETIQUETTE
- READING AND INTERPRETING RECIPES
- MEASURING AND ESTIMATING QUANTITIES
- PLANT IDENTIFICATION AND HARVESTING PRODUCE FROM OUR GARDEN FOR OUR COOKING CLASSES

WE PLAN TO MAKE RICE PAPER ROLLS, NORI ROLLS, PASTA AND PIZZA, JUST TO NAME A FEW.
I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING LOTS OF FUN IN THE KITCHEN AND GARDEN.