



5/6 NEWSLETTER

TERM 1, 2023

INQUIRY - WE ARE ONE BUT WE ARE MANY

This term the Grade 5/6s will be focusing on Civics and Citizenship. Some Key Inquiry Questions will include:

- What does it mean to be an Australian citizen?
- What does that look like? How do you become an Australian citizen?
- Why do people want to be Australian?
- Are all Australians treated equally?
- Do all Australian children have the same opportunities?
- Is there equality in how people are being treated in different parts of the world?

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 28th February - Meet the Teacher
- 13th March - Labour Day - NO SCHOOL
- 15th to 22nd March - NAPLAN
- 6th April - Last Day of Term 1



LITERACY



In Reading, students will be looking at the finding the main idea and supporting details in fiction and non-fiction texts. Students will also be working on comparing and contrasting information in texts and identifying the author's point of view.

In Writing, students will be beginning to explore the 6+1 Writing Traits. They will be focusing on the two traits of 'Ideas' and 'Word Choice'. Students will be working on writing narrative and persuasive texts, and working through the SMART Spelling program.

NUMERACY

In Numeracy we will be exploring the following mathematical concepts:

- Number and Algebra
 - place value of whole numbers and decimals
 - problem solving using four operations
- Measurement and Geometry
 - location
- Statistics and Probability
 - data





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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 EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT MATERIALS SUCH AS MARKERS, PAINT AND GRADED PENCILS TO EXPLORE TONE AND VALUE. STUDENTS WILL CREATE A COLLABORATIVE ARTWORK FOR OUR SCHOOL DISPLAY TO EXPRESS THEIR OWN IDEAS BASED ON THE CONCEPTS OF DIVERSITY AND PERSONAL 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 INVESTIGATING WEST AFRICAN MUSIC, MOST NOTABLY, LEARNING TO PLAY THE DJEMBE DRUM AND WORKING TOGETHER TO PLAY ENSEMBLE PIECES OF AFRICAN MUSIC USING THE DRUMS AND PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS.

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 THE FOCUS FOR GRADES 5 AND 6 WILL BE ESTABLISHING CLASS PROCEDURES, FITNESS TEST AND GAMES SKILLS BASKETBALL, CRICKET, HOCKEY, MINI-TENNIS AND T-BALL. ON TOP OF THIS THE GRADE 5 / 6 WILL PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS.

AUSLAN



THIS TERM STUDENTS AT AMPS ARE BEGINNING THEIR JOURNEY LEARNING AUSLAN. IN GRADE 5 + 6 WE WILL BE LEARNING BASIC SIGNS CONNECTED TO THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- NUMBERS
- FINGERSPELLING (ALPHABET)
- CONVERSATIONS
- COLOURS
- ANIMALS
- FAMILY
- SCHOOL SUBJECTS
- SPORTS

WE WILL ALSO BE LEARNING AND PRACTISING CLASSROOM ROUTINES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR THE AUSLAN CLASSROOM. GRADE 5 + 6 STUDENTS WILL BEGIN TO DEVELOP THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF SIGNS AND HOW TO USE THEM IN CONTEXT THROUGH ACTIVITIES AND GAMES TAILORED TO THEIR LEARNING.

SAKG



HI EVERYONE

IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK AND DELIVERING THE KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM FOR 2023. I HOPE YOU ARE DOING WELL AND THAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE ENTHUSED TO DO SOME COOKING AND GARDENING.

THIS TERM IN THE KITCHEN GARDEN WE WILL BE FOCUSING ON:

- TECHNICAL SKILLS SUCH AS KNIFE SKILLS AND OPERATING KITCHEN EQUIPMENT
- SAFETY PROCEDURES
- ROUTINE KITCHEN TASKS
- READING AND INTERPRETING RECIPES
- MEASURING AND ESTIMATING QUANTITIES
- PLANT IDENTIFICATION AND HARVESTING IN THE GARDEN

LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING LOTS OF FUN IN THE KITCHEN AND GARDEN



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Meet the 5/6 Team

TEACHERS:

5/6A ROOM 7

MRS EVE SAKELLARIDES

5/6H ROOM 8

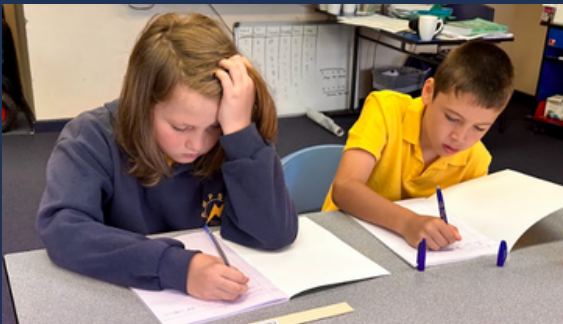
MISS SERAL HASAN

5/6M ROOM 9

MR CHRIS MCGILL

5/6G ROOM 10

MISS BELINDA GAY



REMINDERS

- HATS: Students are reminded they need to wear a school wide brim / bucket hat this term when outside.
- TISSUES & WIPES: Our classroom supply of tissues and wipes are running low. Could you please send some tissues and wipes with your child to school?
- PUNCTUALITY: Please ensure your child is on time each day as they miss out on key learning instructions when they are late.