Curriculum News

Welcome back to school for the final term of 2016. We’re hoping you all had a restful and relaxing spring break. We would like to share with you the classroom focus for the following curriculum areas for Term 4.

LITERACY
To kick off Term 4, students will read, view and analyse literary (imaginative) and informative texts on the same topic. They will compare and analyse the effectiveness of each text in its ability to deliver a message and write arguments persuading others to a particular point of view using specific structural and language features studied during the unit. This unit connects with the final unit of the year whereby students will transform an informative text into a literary text (Picture Book) for younger audiences that relates to sustainability.

NUMERACY
Throughout the year students will apply a variety of mathematical concepts in real-life, life-like and purely mathematical situations. During Term 4 students will develop their understandings and proficiency in the following areas:
- Number and place value – Mental and written strategies for multiplication and division.
- Cartesian Plane
- Fractions and decimals – Finding a simple fraction of a quantity, connecting fractions, decimals and percentages, and solve problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions.
- Chance – Conducting chance experiments and describing the probability using fractions and percentage.
- Money – Investigate and calculate percentage discounts of 10%, 25% and 50% on sale items.

OTHER KLAs
Science - Students will explore the effect of natural disasters that cause changes to the earth’s surface. Embedded in this unit is exploring how Indigenous knowledge contributes to our understanding of natural disasters.

History – Investigate the development of Australia as a diverse country.

How Parents can help us!

Parent Volunteers! - We would really appreciate it if the parents of Year 6 could assist us by helping the students in our guided reading sessions Mon-Thu from 11.10am. Literacy skills are fundamental to success!

Attendance - Ensuring your children arrive on time and are prepared for EACH school day is of enormous value to their schooling. Attendance is important as every day counts!

Key Days for Year 6

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<td>Launch into Life</td>
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It’s great to see students have come prepared to tackle the final term of their primary school life with enthusiasm. This will undoubtedly set them up for future success.