

5/6 Newsletter



Date: Friday 21st October 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Next week the students will be writing a persuasive piece on the topic of, 'Should animal testing be used for scientific development?' It would be great if you could discuss this issue with your child in order to support them when they have to write this piece. The students will all be given the opportunity to research the topic in order to provide arguments to support their point of view. You will find the stimulus at the end of the newsletter.

On Friday 18th November the students will be taking part in the Seal the Loop Action Day. The students will participate in workshops around the topic of marine conservation. This will be held at the Blairgowrie Yacht Club. We will need some parent volunteers to help with this event. If you are available on this day we would really appreciate your help. Notes will be sent out next week.

We will be holding a Science Expo on Wednesday 23rd November from 11:30-1:00pm for the students to present their science experiments. We would love for you to attend, so please pop this date into your diaries.

On Wednesday our environment leaders took part in a web conference with Melbourne Zoo. The students learnt about the Seal the Loop Action Day, had a tour of the seal enclosure and got to meet two baby penguins. They all really enjoyed it!

Sport News

Well done to the grade six boys' basketball team for coming runners up in the Hoop Time Regional grand final on Monday. The boys also played in the SSV Division Event on Thursday and came third. What a great effort!!

Congratulations to Jai and Bailey who competed in shotput at the Regional Athletics event last Thursday. It was a great effort to get so far!

The teams have been selected for the Rugby Gala Day, which is being held on Wednesday 2nd November at the Rosebud Football Ground. The students will attend workshops run by Melbourne Storm and then play games against the other schools. If you are available to help supervise a team, please see Lauren or Colleen.

The Frisbee Gala Day is happening on Wednesday 30th November. This is a new event, which should be a fun day out for the kids involved!

Congratulations to Tyler for making the Mornington Peninsula Representative Under 12s Cricket Team. We're very proud of you!

Social Event

The **Grade Six parents' dinner** will be held on **Friday 4th November** at the **Rye RSL at 7pm**. If you are interested in attending please reply to this email or see Fiona Twil by Friday 28th October at the latest.

Transition

The Grade Five students will be taking part in Discovery Day at Rosebud Secondary College on Thursday 17th November. This is a great opportunity for the students to have a taste of secondary school. The students will participate in four different lessons and then have lunch together in the Year 7 area. This opportunity is for all of the grade five students, not just those intending to attend Rosebud Secondary College. Please return notes as soon as possible.

Orientation Day for the **Grade Six** students will be held on **Tuesday 6th December**. All Grade Six students will attend their secondary school and spend the day meeting teachers and attending classes.

Grade Six **Graduation Night** will be held on **Wednesday 14th December**. Please put this date into your diaries.

Enjoy the weekend.

Year 5/6 Team – Colleen Carter, Lauren Eagles, Sandra Emile and Gaynor English

Important Dates

- Wednesday 2nd November – Rugby Gala Day
- Friday 4th November- LOTE (Japanese) Dromana College (Ms Emile's and Mrs Eagles' grades)
- Friday 11th November- LOTE (Indonesian) Dromana College (Mrs English's and Mrs Carter's grades)
- Thursday 17th November – Discovery day
- Friday 18th November- Seal the Loop Action Day
- Tuesday 29th November-Dromana Secondary College Year 7 Transition Night 7pm
- Wednesday 30th November – Frisbee Gala Day
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Notes to be returned

- Surf Camp
- Seal the Loop Action Day
- Discovery Day

HOMEWORK

As ongoing homework each term, we will expect all students to be **reading** at least four nights a week, practising their **spelling** words (in order to achieve at least 18/20 on their spelling test), learning their **multiplication tables** and continuing to use the **Mathletics** Program. Students have been asked to write their nightly reading into their diary and parents or carers are to sign the diary prior to it being handed in each Monday morning.

If students are not completing their assigned tasks they will be asked to attend a lunch time support group on Monday to complete their homework. Could you please support your children to ensure that their diaries and homework are returned to school each Monday.

Should Animal Testing Be Used for Scientific Development?



Introduction : State your opinion!

Body : What are your arguments?

Logical, ethical and emotional

Facts and evidence! Exciting vocabulary

Conclusion : Re-state your opinion and sum up your arguments