



Friday 30th October 2015

## 5/6 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Well done to all the students who participated in the School Production, what an effort! We were so proud of all them. Their behaviour and performances on both days were outstanding. A huge thank you to Nat Parker for coordinating such a massive event. Thank you also for your efforts in getting your child's costume prepared. The Princesses looked amazing!

Hamish and Kye have been very busy trying to organise another Grade Six activity for the end of the year. An expression of interest note has been sent out to gauge interest in this event. Please return notes by Wednesday next week so that they can continue with their preparations.

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November some Year Six and Five students are involved in the Rugby Gala Day. Please ensure that notes and money are returned as soon as possible.

Those students involved in the Kids Teaching Kids event and the Seal the Loop Action Day will be attending a workshop held at school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November with Mark Keenan from Zoos Victoria. Mark will be speaking to the kids about his role as head of the Marine Response Rescue Team. Mark has been involved in a number of rescues of seals and penguins along our coastline. A media team will also be attending the workshop to take photos of the students, so keep an eye out on the news and local papers!

Thank you to those Year Six parents who have sent prep photos in of their child for Graduation, please keep them coming. We will begin Graduation preparation next week.

A reminder that Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November is a public holiday.

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November we will need parents to help walk and supervise the students for the Seal the Loop Action Day. If you are available please let Sandi know.

Enjoy the longish weekend.

Year 5/6 Team – Sandi Emile, Captyn Dowell, Deb Jordan, Scott Mackie.

## Important Dates

- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Melbourne Cup Holiday
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Rugby Gala Day
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Seal the Loop Action Day
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Grade 5 Discovery Day
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Grade 6 Sailing (make up day)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Grade 6 Sailing (make up day)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Grade 6 Graduation
- Monday – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> December – Sovereign Hill Camp
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Grade 6 Orientation Day
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Grade 6 Sailing BBQ
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term 4

## Notes to be returned

- Seal the Loop Action Day
- Graduation
- Year Six Sailing
- Discovery Day
- Rugby Gala Day

## HOMEWORK

We have designed our homework tasks to support the students in their learning, targeting areas where we think the students need most assistance. We would expect students to be spending approximately 30 minutes (at the most) a night to complete these activities.

For homework this term we will expect all students to be **reading** at least five nights a week, practising their **spelling** words (in order to receive at least 18/20 on their spelling test) and times tables and continuing to use the **Mathletics** Program. **Students will be given a math sheet each week to practice their skills.** Students have been asked to write their nightly reading into their diary and parents or carers are to sign the diary prior to its being handed in each Friday 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 child to ensure that their diary is returned to school each Friday and Homework each Monday.**