

5/6 Newsletter



Date: Friday 3rd June 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like all students to bring their **diaries** to school every day. They will be using them to record important dates, when homework is due and to set reading goals during SURF time. This is important in helping them prepare for secondary school transition.

If your child is away during the week it is their responsibility to seek out the **homework information**. This is an important skill for them to develop in preparation for secondary school.

In Mappen the students will be creating a diorama representing an event in Australian History that they have been working on in class. We have locked in **Thursday 24th June for the Museum in Motion Expo**. An invitation went home earlier in the week. Hope to see you all there.

In order to protect your child's school uniform, we would like to ask that you send an **art smock/old shirt** (pick one up from the op shop) to school for your child to use during art activities. These will be kept at school in the classroom.

Sport News

The girl's football and boy's netball day is on Wednesday 22nd June. Notes will be going out soon. If you are available to help please let us know.

Winter Lightning Premierships will be held next Wednesday 8th June. We are still after some parent helpers for football, soccer A, B boy teams and the girl team and the handball team. If you are available to help on the day it would be very much appreciated.

Running Club will continue to run all term on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am. So far Jesse and Finn have had lots of kids and parents attend each morning.

Swim Squad will also continue this term. It's held at Colchester Pool from 8-8:30am each Thursday morning. Please see Lauren Eagles or Lesley O'Hanlon if you are interested in having your child attend.

Congratulations to Jesse who has been selected as part of the final forty boys who will be trying out for the Victorian Under 12 Australian Football State Team. This is a huge accomplishment. Good luck!

Camps

The Year Five students are currently at Sovereign Hill enjoying the fresh weather. They are having a great time, experiencing life on the Goldfields.

Somers Camp is fast approaching. Students attending should have received information regarding what group they are in and transportation. If you are unsure of these details please see Lauren Eagles.

The **Grade Six Surf Camp** is on the 7th, 8th and 9th December. A note went out this week regarding attendance. We are in the process of costing the camp so could notes please be returned by Tuesday 7th June. At this stage we need 50 students to attend. If we fall under that number the camp will be open to grade five students who would like to go. Thank you to Jason, Claire and Steve who have kindly offered to accompany us on camp.

Grade 6 Transition

Dromana Secondary College will be sending out information regarding the **LEAP** Program next term. Applications will open online on 11th July. Their **Laptop Information Night** will be held on 3rd August.

Graduation photos will be taken on **Thursday 15th September at 12pm**. Please ensure that your child is at school that day.

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

Enjoy the week.

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

Important Dates

- Wednesday 8th June – Winter Lightning Premierships
- Wednesday 22nd June - Girls Football/Boys Netball
- Thursday 23rd June - Museum in Motion Expo.
- Monday 11th July – LEAP applications open online
- Wednesday 3rd August – Dromana Laptop Information Night
- Thursday 15th September – Grade Six Graduation photos
- Wednesday 14th December – Grade Six Graduation Night

Notes to be returned

- Winter Lightning Premierships
- Grade Six Surf Camp, Expression of Interest Form

HOMEWORK

We have noticed that there are still quite a number of students who do not know their multiplication facts. For the rest of the term we will be setting each student a task to complete around their area of need.

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 its 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 diary and homework are returned to school each Monday.