



5/6 Newsletter

Date: Friday 7th October 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back. Hope you all had a relaxing break.

As usual Term 4 is set to be an incredibly busy eleven and a half weeks! We have transition days, camps, graduation and sporting days to get through.

This term in Mappen we are investigating Science, with a focus on chemistry and physics. Later in the term, the students will be asked to choose and present an experiment of their choice for a science expo. They will bring home a detailed list of materials required for their particular experiment. We will send more information home about this event soon.

On Friday 18th November the students will be taking part in the Seal the Loop Action Day. The students will take part 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.

Well done to Jamie, Bailey and Toby who participated in the Lions Club Quiz last night. Our students were the first school in the history of the quiz to get all of the spelling questions correct! Unfortunately, they missed out by 1 point to progress to the next stage. Thank you to Ella who attended to support her team.

Sport News

We would like to congratulate Tyler who is currently taking part in the Mornington Peninsula Representative Cricket Squad trials. Tyler is currently now 1 out of 34 boys who have been selected. We wish him all the best for the final stage.

Swim Squad is running again this term. If you are interested, please see Lauren Eagles or Lesley O'Hanlon for a sign up form. They meet every Thursday morning at 8am at Colchester Pool in Rosebud.

Camps

Grade Six Camp is just around the corner. Please ensure that all payments are up to date.

Social Event

The Grade Six parents' dinner will be held on Friday 4th November. If you are interested in attending please reply to this email or see Fiona Twil, so that numbers and venue can be confirmed. It would be a great opportunity for everyone to get together before the students all head off to secondary school.

Transition

The Grade Five students will be taking part in Discovery Day at Rosebud Secondary College in 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. Notes will be sent home soon.

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

- Monday 17th October – Regional Boys Basketball
- Wednesday 2nd November – Rugby Gala Day
- Friday 4th November- LOTE (Japanese) Dromana College
- Friday 11th November- LOTE (Indonesian) Dromana College
- 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
- Wednesday 14th December – Grade Six Graduation Night
- Tuesday 29th November-Dromana Secondary College Year 7 Transition Night 7pm

Notes to be returned

- Surf Camp
- Regional Boys Basketball

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.