



Friday 24th July 2015

5/6 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have had another busy week in the 5/6 Area! On Tuesday the Netball A Team competed in the Regional Competition for the Lightning Premiership. Unfortunately they just missed out in playing in the grand finals by one point! The Soccer A Team played on Wednesday and won their grand final event and will be moving to the next stage which will be held on Tuesday 11th August. Both teams were fantastic on the day and should be very proud of their achievements. Thank you to all the parents who attended to cheer the kids on! A huge thank you to Deb Jordan and Tom Campbell who have given up countless lunchtimes to train the students.

On Thursday the students participated in a talk with Greg Hunt regarding his walk for Autism Campaign. The students were very attentive during his presentation and made meaningful contributions when called upon.

Parent/Teacher Conference notes went out on Friday in the youngest child's report. Please ensure that you return your note, as the students will be participating in these conferences, sharing their achievements and goals for Term 3.

Last week we held our trials for the Lions Club Challenge. Our successful applicants are Laura, Hamish and Max O. Bailey will be our emergency person in the event someone is unable to make it. Our first heat is on Thursday August 13th at Rosebud Primary School. Could all participants please arrive by 6:15pm in full school uniform for a 6:30pm start.

If your child is attending Dromana Secondary College next year, please note that the applications for the LEAP program are now open and can be accessed through their website. Those students enrolled at Dromana should all have received a letter outlining their Enhancement Programs. Information regarding these can also be found on their website.

This week in writing the students have been working on an 'I Wish' Poem. Some of these have been fantastic. We will attach some next week for you to read.

In Numeracy this week the students have continued learning about Probability. They are currently working on a Spinner Project, estimating and recording their actual results as a fraction, decimal and percentage.

Grade Five parents, don't forget that Sovereign Hill notes and payments need to be handed in.

Enjoy your weekend. Hopefully the sun will shine!

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



Important Dates

- Monday 27th July and Wednesday 29th July – Parent Teacher Conferences
- Friday 18th September – End of Term 3

Notes to be returned

- Sovereign Hill Camp
- Parent expression of interest form for camp
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

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 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 children to ensure that their diary is returned to school each Friday and Homework each Monday.

Due date	Homework Activity
21st of July	Write out your spelling list three times with your left hand and three times with your right hand.
27th of July	Write out your spelling list five times in your neatest bubble writing.
3rd of August	Write out your spelling list three times so that each letter is a different rainbow colour.
10th of August	Write your spelling list six times using modern cursive (joined writing).
17th of August	Write your spelling words twice onto grid paper so that small letters take up one square and big letters take up 2 or 3.
24th of August	Write your spelling list 6 times using your neatest written print (not-joined writing).
31st of August	Do three practice tests at home and get a grown up to check them and sign them.
7th of September	Write your words out so they look like a big spiral. Start in the middle of your page and keep writing words so that they are spiralling out towards the edge of the page. Do two spirals of words.
14th of September	This week is a bit like last week, but instead of a spiral, write your words so they make a picture of a fish or a car or some other shape. Make two different pictures.
21st of September	Choose your favourite activity from this term and do it again with this week's spelling list.