

## Welcome to Term 4 of Year 5/6

Welcome to Term 4 of 2017! Would you believe that it is already the last term of the year? How quickly has time gone by? Before you know it, Christmas Carols will be playing in the shops. We look forward to spending this final term with your child and seeing all of you at our end of year Christmas and Transition celebrations.

### What are we learning in Term 4?

#### English

This term we will be focusing on writing Expositions. We will be researching and completing a piece entitled: "Should everyone be allowed to come to Australia?" This issue ties in neatly with our Inquiry topic of Australian History and Civics and Citizenship.

Book Club roles will also be introduced this term in Reading. Students will learn what it means to be a Word Wizard, Cool Connector, Artful Artist, Question Asker and Passage Picker. Ask your child what role they are doing and what their "job" will be this term!

#### Maths

The focus this term will be on revision: We are revising the topic of Measurement & Geometry and Number. In M&G, we will explore volume and capacity, especially in converting between ml and L. Students will also be transforming shapes on an X and Y grid. In Number, we will be looking at number patterns and sequences (whole numbers, decimals and fractions). BODMAS will also make a comeback! (If you aren't sure what it stands for, ask your child! They should almost be experts by now).

#### RE/Inquiry

This term, students will be continuing to learn about Australian History, especially in regards to various faiths coming to Australia. They will be exploring the lives of significant people and leaders within various faiths within Australia and will be presenting a project on a chosen saint. All Year 5/6 students will be required to present their saint project to their peers, regardless of whether they are making their confirmation this year. Students will also be exploring the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit.

Students will also be partaking in a Year 5/6 camp at Sovereign Hill. Once they have arrived at the campsite they will have the opportunity to participate in various demonstrations and activities including panning for gold and exploring Red Hill Mine. A camp



information booklet will be sent home with your child next week however if you still have questions, please email your child's teacher and we will attempt to answer it via an online forum.

Towards the end of the term, the Year 6 students will be focusing on Transition to High School. They will be exploring their concerns, excitements and challenges surrounding High School and learning strategies of coping with these changes. During this time, the Year 5 students will be learning about leadership and being a good leader. They will prepare themselves for leadership positions in 2017.

### **Important Dates:**

October 23rd	Grandparents Assembly at 8:45am
October 23rd – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dentist Van at St. Elizabeth's
October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Nazareth Year 7 2018 Information Night at 6:00pm
October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Confirmation Reflection Day
November 2nd – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5 and 6 Camp
November 6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Closure Day & Melbourne Cup
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Confirmation Practice
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year F/5/6 Community Mass at 9:00am
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bishop Elliot meets Confirmation Candidates
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Confirmation Mass at 1:00pm
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	St. Elizabeth's Band Concert at 7pm
November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 6 Mazenod Orientation Day
November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 Girls Rugby Tag State Finals
December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Advent Gift Giving Mass
December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Students meet 2018 teacher
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Government Secondary Schools Orientation Day
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thank You Brunch
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Carols Night at 7:00pm
December 14 <sup>th</sup>	End of School Year Mass at 9:15am
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wellbeing Activities organised by Year 5/6
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Last Day & Transition Mass
December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Foundation to Year 5 Last Day

## Reminders

Can we please encourage you to support your child in managing their Chromebook. Many of our students have come into school with their Chromebook not charged. This makes it very difficult for them to complete their learning tasks in the classroom.

Thank you for your continual support this year and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need more information:

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