

# Year 6 Parent Information Night 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to an exciting year in Year Six. We are looking forward to having your child in our grade this year. The following information should clear up some questions and help with class concerns.

## Camp

Camp is on the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of March. Notes will be given out as soon as possible.

## Religion

Confirmation Commitment Masses: **29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of April and the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of May**

Confirmation Retreat Day: **1st June (all students attend this day)**

Confirmation Liturgy: **13th June (4:30 at HFC)**

The students will study the following Religious units this year:

<i>Term 1:</i>	God Revealed
<i>Term 2:</i>	Prayer and Action (Confirmation)
<i>Term 3:</i>	Jesus in the Gospels
<i>Term 4:</i>	Living Church

## English

This year the following units will be studied:

	<i>Text Type</i>	<i>Reading Strategy</i>
<i>Term 1:</i>	Exposition	Summarising & Determining Importance
<i>Term 2:</i>	Poetry/Narrative	Connecting & Comparing
<i>Term 3:</i>	Questionnaire/Interview	Creating Images & Self Questioning
<i>Term 4:</i>	Reports/Description	Scanning & Paraphrasing

All students are expected to have a book either from home or borrowed from the library in their desk for silent reading.

## Maths

Mental computation skills are extremely important and will be a major focus during this semester. Please encourage your child to learn their tables. This is a vital part of lifelong maths skills. Tasks will be set on Maths Online as part of homework. If there are no set tasks for the week, your child can complete any of the tasks available on Maths Online or Speed Skills.

## Homework

Homework will begin in Week 2 of Term 1. Homework is given by the class teacher each **Monday** and is due back on **Friday** each week. Each week homework will consist of:

- spelling activities
- a variety of other activities
- Maths Online tasks that have been set for the students to complete

Students are expected to read every night for at least 20 minutes. Parents are required to their Homework books during the week. Homework books will be collected each Friday by class teachers.

### Essential Information:

Sport Days: Tuesday and Friday

Library: 6 Earth- Wednesday 6 Fire- Thursday 6 Water- Thursday

Science: 6 Earth – Thursday 6 Fire- Thursday 6 Water- Wednesday

Music: 6 Earth – Thursday 6 Fire- Friday 6 Water- Thursday

### HASS

This year the following HASS units will be integrated into literacy:

<i>Term 1:</i>	Economics and Geography
<i>Term 2:</i>	Federation
<i>Term 3:</i>	Government and Geography
<i>Term 4:</i>	Migration

### Science

Studies will study the following topics in Science:

<i>Term 1:</i>	Marvellous Micro Organisms
<i>Term 2:</i>	It's Electrifying
<i>Term 3:</i>	Change Detectives
<i>Term 4:</i>	Natural Disasters

### PDHPE

**Sport is on Tuesdays and Fridays.** Children may wear their leadership shirts on these days with their maroon shorts or skirts. Students will learn many skills and teamwork activities through participation in the sports listed below:

<i>Term 1:</i>	Tennis/Camp/Hockey
<i>Term 2:</i>	Fitness/Rugby League
<i>Term 3:</i>	Basketball (wheelchair)/Volleyball
<i>Term 4:</i>	Sof-Cross

### Uniform

As leaders of our school it is expected that the children wear full correct school uniform. If they are unable to do this a note must be sent to school. Students are only allowed to wear 1 pair of earrings per ear, these are to be small stud earrings. No necklaces or bracelets or rings are to be worn. No nail polish or makeup. Hair is to be tied up if it is below the shoulders.

### Absentee Notes

Notes for being absent are a legal requirement. If your child is absent from school please send a note with them on their return to school. The note must include the child's name, class, the date of the child's absence, a reason for this absence and the parent or guardian's signature and printed name.

### Mobile Phones

Children are encouraged not to bring mobile phones to school. If they need to bring in a phone, children are to turn off their phone and hand it into the front office upon arrival at school for safe keeping.

### iPads

As part of our BYOD Program, students are welcome to bring their iPad to school. Students are required to return the ICT Agreement and BYOD notes before they are to use any technology. iPads go to the Library as soon as students arrive at school and then are locked in classrooms when not in use.

**REMINDER - Please bring in a box of tissues and a packet of baby wipes each term!** This is for the use of the children in the class.

We are looking forward to sharing a great year with you and your child. Please do not hesitate to share any concerns about your child with us.

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