



Manorvale Primary School

Year 5-6 Newsletter Term 2 2021

May 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to term 2! This is what is happening in the 5/6 team this term.

Reading - Learning focus areas:

- Visualising
- Inferring
- Summarising
- Literature circles
- Conferencing and reading assessment



Writing - Learning focus areas:

- Narratives

In Writing, students are learning to write narratives. Students have looked at the text structure and features of a narrative. Students have learnt about how to describe characters and settings, the different themes in narrative writing and thoughtful problem and solutions.



Mathematics Program - Learning focus areas:

- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions
- Shape, Angles and Time



Inquiry Learning

For inquiry, students are learning about Geography and maps. The students are researching a country from Europe, Asia or North America



Wellbeing

In our student wellbeing program, we are using the Respectful Relationships program. Students are increasing their vocabulary to describe different emotions and are learning how to recognise those feelings. Students will be encouraged to use a growth mindset and positive self-talk.



Junior School Council

The Junior School Council Groups have been established. The Reading group has had a 'book give a way' week. The Events committee are looking at fund raising opportunities for charity groups. The Buddies group are looking at working with the younger students to develop their social skills and playing in the yard and the Environmental group has been investigating the small creatures found within the school grounds.

Home Reading

Reading regularly at home is very important in helping your child improve their literacy skills. Students are encouraged to read 5 nights a week for 30 minutes each night using take home readers. Please spend some time listening to your child read and asking them some questions about their text.



iPads & Apps

Students need to bring in their fully charged iPad to school every day. It is important that the iPad is at school even if restrictions are made at home. Please discuss any concerns with your child's teacher.



Three Way Conferences

Students will begin to prepare work samples of their choice to present and share with their parents/carers and teacher at the Three Way Conferences. The students will be talking about their learning goals and achievements. Further information will be disseminated to families later in the term.

Camp Narmbool

All camp information and consent forms were recently sent home to all students. Please ensure all the forms are fully completed and signed and returned to school with the deposit no later than Friday, 7th May if your child is attending camp. An additional consent form required by the Department of Education and Training will be sent home shortly.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN begins next week on Tuesday, 11th May for the Grade 5's. Students should have a good night's sleep and breakfast to help prepare them for the 3 days.

Year 7 Transition

Students have received letters for Secondary school selection and a Spanish emersion program from Wyndham Central Secondary School is being presented in May. The Year 7 Placement Applications 2022 are due back by Friday, 14th May.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 2nd June - Friday 5th June - 5-6 Camp Narmbool
Monday, 9th June - Queen's Birthday Day Public Holiday - No school
Monday, 21st June - Student Free Day

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

Ms Fairclough, Mrs Marth, Mrs Craig and Mr Davies