

TERM 1 2018



Glenroy Central
Primary School

5/6 NEWSLETTER

Our Vision:

To provide an inspiring, challenging and safe learning environment that promotes independent, engaged and curious learners who can realise their greatest potential and contribute positively to the community.

Inspire Challenge Achieve

Welcome to the 5/6 Learning Community for 2018! This term is filled with lots of hands on learning, challenges and some fun and competitive Interschool Sports Matches. Grade 6 students will be attending the GRIP Leadership Conference in the city and will learn a range of leadership skills in which they will be able to implement at school both inside the Learning Community and out in the yard. Grade 5 students will also be taking part in a range of follow up activities at school to help develop their leadership skills.

You can
LEARN
something new
EVERYDAY
If you
LISTEN

Your
ATTITUDE
determines your
DIRECTION

trying best
I can do it
growth positive use
mindset work new keep try
better challenge never give up right
hard get SOL

OVERVIEW OF TERM 1 LEARNING

MATHEMATICS:

This term students will be focussing on counting and numeration in number sessions. They will be taking part in problem solving and toolbox sessions where they will develop their skills in a range of different strategies. At home, you can help your child by having them practise their counting patterns out loud. Maybe you can turn it into a game and try to beat the clock.

READING:

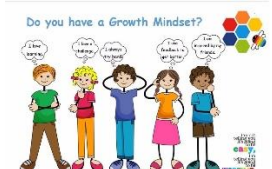
Over the term in reading students will develop skills in how different texts can represent meaning and begin to analyse how language features, images and vocabulary are used by different authors to represent ideas, characters and events.

WRITING:

Over the term students will be learning to write narrative and persuasive texts that will link closely with the topics explored during Investigations. Students will develop the skills of planning and editing their writing as well as understanding how to write for a range of different purposes.



GROWTH MINDSET



Specialists:

THIS YEAR 5/6 SPECIALIST SESSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON A MONDAY. THE TEACHER FOR SPORT WILL BE MATTHEW, ATHANASIOS FOR PERFORMING ARTS AND SUSAN FOR VISUAL



INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

Interschool Sports for Term 1 kicks off Week 2 so let's be ready. Term 1 sports include Cricket, Bat Tennis and Softball. Week 1 we will have our first practice and assign positions/teams etc. Please make sure you have correct shoes, school hat and water bottle for each weekly match. Selection will depend on behaviour and homework.

HOW CAN I BE A RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN?

Students will explore Australia's Government to develop an understanding of the three different levels. They will investigate what the roles and responsibilities of politicians are within the House of Representatives and the Senate. Students will be curious about democracy and how they can make a difference by following through on their passions.



Remember our policy
One treat A Day... That's
What We Say! Lunches will
be checked daily!

HOUSEKEEPING

PUNCTUALITY, ABSENCES AND ATTENDANCE

Students **must** attend school every day unless ill and arrive at least 5 minutes before the bell at 8.55am. If your child is absent from school, please ensure that you supply the school with a written note or medical certificate to explain their absence on their next day at school. If your child is absent, please call the school office to notify them.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Summer uniform must be worn every day except specialist day (Monday) and interschool Sports Day (Friday). Hats need to be worn every day. School shoes must be **all** black. Runners are not to be worn unless it is a sport day. Hoodies are NOT school uniform and students will be asked to remove them. Hats must be wide brimmed and girls need to wear white or navy tights during summer.

HOME LEARNING

Home reading must be done every day and teachers will check diaries daily (except Monday). Consequences will apply for not reading and if diaries are not signed by an adult.

Students need to:

- Read every night for 15-20 minutes. Parents/students must write comments in the reading log book and sign it
- Practise reading and spelling THRASS and levelled spelling words
- Complete any unfinished work at home. Consequences will apply.

All the teachers in the 5/6 Learning Community are looking forward to a busy term
5/6 Team Hanna Spark, Courtney Chapman, Erin McCourt and Sev Suitela