



### Important Dates:

**23rd October : Part 2 SEA Living & Growing program**

**25th October: Diwali Celebration Day**

**30th October : Part 3 SEA Living & Growing program**

**1st November: SDSSA Sports**

**4th November: Curriculum Day. NO students at school today**

**5th November: Melbourne Cup Day**

**8th November: SDSSA Sports**

**14th November: Inquiry Showcase 7-8.15pm**

**15th November: SDSSA Sports**

**22th November: SDSSA Sports**

**6th December: SDSSA Sports**

**12th December: Christmas concert**

**13th December: Yr 6 Community Sports Day**

**16th December: Final Whole School Assembly**

**17th December: Year 6 Graduation**

**18th December: Year 6 excursion**

**Year 5s meet 2020 class**

**20th December: Last day of school for 2019. Finish 1:30pm**



Kirsten— Aussie of the month—September

### Term Four at a Glance...

Welcome to Term 4 everyone, where has this year gone!

In Term 3 alone we have gone swimming, played in a basketball round robin. We had Book Week activities as well as enjoying Footy Day. In addition we had an incredible time rehearsing and performing our incredible *Google Me Up* concert spectacular.

The highlight of Term 4 will be the Inquiry Showcase to be held on November 14. The students have been working hard to come up with answers to their “big questions” regarding the 4 topics, *Feeding the World*, *Saving Endangered Animals*, *Travelling to and Colonising other Planets*. It has been fantastic to observe the students researching, designing, collaborating and discussing various points about their projects.

### Literacy: Reading & Viewing

This term the 5/6s will be concentrating on the genre of Fantasy using the well-loved Literature book of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis. We have been focussing on the story elements that make this book a fantasy rather than general fiction. Throughout this units, the students will note the characters and how they change, what the theme of the book tells us and how the plot diagram of the book will unfold. In addition, reading strategies such as Drawing Conclusions and Making Inferences will be major part of this term’s guided reading sessions. Good readers constantly try to make sense out of what they read by seeing how it fits with what they already know. Students will be practicing applying their prior knowledge to clues from the text to make inferences. Mastering this strategy significantly raises their level of comprehension.

### Literacy: Writing

At the beginning of this term students in Years 5 and 6 are studying the Word Choice trait in their daily writing. This follows the concept that writing becomes more interesting and readable if the word choice is specific and varied. It will be demonstrated to the students what was good about their personal writing and what exactly they need to bump their writing up to the next level. This may mean a variety of sentence beginnings, ensuring that the correct punctuation is used or keeping the correct tense throughout the text.

Students will be continuing on with their SMART spelling program throughout this term.

### Literacy: Speaking & Listening

This term will see the Year 5s writing then presenting their speeches for 2019 school captain positions. They will speak in front of this year’s 3-5 as well as listening and determining who they would want representing our school. These speeches are written completely at school. The Year 6s will be practising presenting for their Graduation Night. This will be on Tuesday 17th December. Invites and more information will come closer to the date.

*Be Responsible*

*Be Respectful*

*Be Inclusive*

## Mathematics

This term, in Mathematics we will be studying a number of topics, primarily focussing on Measurement & Geometry and Statistics & Probability.

In Measurement & Geometry we will be exploring cartesian planes, grid references, transformations and angles. Students will be locating specific coordinates and following routes to specific destinations. Students will be seeing how shapes are manipulated using flips (reflections), slides (translations) and turns (rotations). We will be creating fun patterns using all of these techniques. Alongside all this, students will be learning to solve problems to find the value of missing angles and measure different types of angles using a protractor, by playing a fun round of protractor golf!

In Statistics and Probability, we will be looking at Chance and reporting on it using fractions, decimals and percentages. The students will be examining graphs and working out whether they contain misleading data and how they came to that conclusion.

## Wellbeing

A major focus this term will be on our value— *Be Inclusive*. A leadership goal expressed by many of the students has been to include more students in their circle of friends. Therefore we will explore ways of how to accept people into our circle as well as entering into others, how to speak to others and when to recognise when something is and is not a joke.

## Reminders

- ◆ Cold season may have finished but hayfever season has only just started. A box of tissues from each family would be gratefully accepted. A big Thank You to those who donated last term
- ◆ Homework is given out on Mondays and due Friday. Your child's diary contains necessary information about activities coming up as well as items needed. The school diary as well as the take home folder should be at school every day.
- ◆ Unfortunately lateness continues to be an issue . Please endeavor to have your child at school by 8.55am ready to start by 9am. Please note that there is not a Yard Duty teacher in the mornings before 8.45am.
- ◆ Hats are required to be worn outside from September to April, we are well and truly into SunSmart season now. All students are expected to be wearing a hat outside. Students without a hat will be require to play under the shade of the pavilion. No hat, no play, no fun today! We recommend that students keep their hats at school.



End of T3 house points. Well done Wallabies!



Inquiry Collaboration



Soccer Round Robin