Year 5/6 Specialist Newsletter
Term 2, 2016

Visual Arts

The Year 5/6s created a wide and impressive range of artwork as part of their Art Elements unit last term. This term, they are studying David Kracov, an American painter, animator and sculptor. His sculptures are unique and humorous, with witty titles, and the students will experiment with creating artwork in styles similar to his. So far, they have begun constructing free-standing sculptures that demonstrate one of the school values. Each student or pair of students have planned a unique artwork, and I cannot wait to see the finished results!

If you have not already returned your child's art smock to school, please do so ASAP. Thanks.

Music

Mrs Alicia Geddes
Art and Music teacher

The Year 5/6s learned the basics of drumming last term, and all participated with enthusiasm and showed improvement. Why not ask your child to perform a paradiddle at home with chopsticks?! This term, to follow on from drumming, they will learn more about rhythm and note value, as well as different interesting topics, such as soundwaves. They are in for some fun!

Alicia Geddes
Art and Music Teacher
**Japanese**

こんにちは。In Japanese class, students will learn to be more fluent Japanese speakers this term. They will review and add more to their self-introductions to prepare for more coming video conferences with schools in Japan. They will also learn about Manzai, a traditional Japanese stand-up comedy and will make their own Manzai with partners.

Sensei Masahiro Yamazaki

Japanese teacher

**Physical Education**

The 5/6s have Winter sport this term. The sports that will be played are netball, mixed netball, soccer rounders and AFL 9's. The students will work on skills for these sports during PE classes and interschool sport training.

This term is also cross country, which is on Friday May 20th, and the District is Friday May 27th. To prepare for the school cross country I will be doing Running Club every Tuesday morning at 8.30am. Students will be expected to commit to running and doing fitness building activities. Students are asked to commit to the term and attend every session. If you are able to help out at Running Club, please let me know.

District Athletics will be Monday May 23rd.

**Interschool Sport Fixture**

- Round 1: HOME: Tuesday 19th April V Highvale PS
- Round 2: AWAY: Friday 29th April V St Lukes 9 – 11am
- Round 3: HOME: Friday 6th May V Huntingtower 1.30pm
- Round 4: Friday May 13th Details to come
- Round 5: June 10th Details to come

The Year 5 and 6 students need to bring water bottles, hats and wear their runners on Tuesdays so that they can enjoy and join in all P.E activities.

Thanks

Carolyn Datson

P.E. teacher