

# TERM ONE NEWSLETTER

W41 / W42 YEAR 6 | STEVE GERA & JESS WATTS

## Term 1 School Calendar:

### Week 3:

Tuesday – acquaintance night (5:45-6:45pm).

Friday Gathering 9:00am.

### Week 6:

Friday – Pupil Free Day

### Week 7:

Monday – Public Holiday

Friday – Gathering 9:00am

### Week 9:

Monday – Wednesday: Camp

Friday – Gathering 9:00am

### Week 10:

Friday - Good Friday Public Holiday

### Week 11:

Monday – Easter Monday Public Holiday

Friday - End of term 2pm dismissal.

## Child Protection Curriculum (CPC)

This term in CPC, the year 6 cohort will be looking at the theme: The right to be safe. The two focus topics are safety and risk taking and early warning signs. The students will have the opportunity to discuss and participate in a range of activities in a safe classroom environment.

## Camp

*Camp will be in Term One, Week Nine. Camp is an amazing time where students can build upon skills such as independence, organisation, cooperation and support a Growth Mindset.*

## SPECIALIST TEACHERS

	W41	W42
PE	Des	Michael
Japanese	Lauren	Erin
Arts	Abby	Abby

## WELCOME TO TERM ONE

This year is an exciting year as students enter a Middle Years environment or continue their development within Middle Years. We aim that students are more self-directed, autonomous and have more agency about their learning. The students have begun the year discussing the qualities of a team, different learning styles and learning experiences. We have also been looking at the school values and what this means to us.

This year is also the very first year that Year 6 students will graduate and go into high school as Year 7's. There will be many opportunities for leadership roles and many events to participate in. Some events this year include; Market Day, Graduation, Camp and Aquatics.

With guided reading being a major focus in the classroom, this term we will be developing comprehension strategies, fluency and vocabulary knowledge. This will be attained through the gradual release of responsibility, think aloud's, modeled reading and group discussions.

## MATHEMATICS

This term we will be developing our number sense by solving problems using the four operations. We will be learning new strategies to increase our time efficiency when completing calculations and using open number lines to support our thinking. We will be working with integers and decimals. We will be practicing key skills and developing our problem solving strategies when completing problematised situations. We will continue to learn about becoming mathematicians and using mathematics in everyday life.

## ENGLISH

This term we will be studying the text type of narrative. We will be analyzing the structure and language features of a narrative. Students will then create their own narratives. Students will be developing their descriptive writing and effective use of direct speech. During reading, students will be summarising fiction and non-fiction texts.

## SCIENCE

This term we will be beginning the year with earth and space science. We will be investigating the role of tectonic plates within the world and major disasters that have impacted the world.

## HASS

This term Jess' class will be investigating Australian History. We will be focusing on Australian democracy and citizenship, migration and Federation. Steve's class will be focusing on history and geography looking at our neighbouring country, China.

*Communication: W42 has a class website where you can access information: <https://w43-2019.wixsite.com/w422021> . We also use class dojo to communicate.*

We look forward to working with W41/42 to have a successful term 1.