5/6 Fortnightly Newsletter

Term 4, Weeks 4-5, Mon 23 October- Sun 5 September

Hello families,

The next few weeks are jam packet with activities. Please refer to the dates below so you are aware of what is going on. Our inquiry incursion is about building and designing qo-carts. Students will be putting their designing skills into practice.

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TERM: 4, 2023, Weeks: 4-5		<u>Happy Birthday to:</u> Irene Katsionis 26 October
EVENTS	Monday 23 October	Loud Shirt Day and Crazy Sock Day Positive sexuality Education Session 2
	Friday 27 October	SDSSA Regional Basketball for Boys
	Monday 30 October	Positive sexuality Education Session 3
	Tuesday 31 October	Year 5/6 Inquiry Incursion
RELIGION	The unit of study this term is 'Jesus in the 21st Century.' Students will learn how interpretations of scripture have changed over time. They will look at the historical context of scripture and how our own personal identity affects our understanding of scripture. Students will study psalms and other books in the bible, including both old and new testaments, and examine the relationship people of that time had with God.	
LITERACY	We begin this term exploring Explanation texts, which links with our Inquiry unit, as we will correlate these to write explanations about digital technology. Explanations are different to information reports, as they begin with a 'how' or 'why' question, such as, How does a wheel turn? Or Why do computers use binary code? We will also embed our reading with our writing, by using comprehension strategies to understand difficult concepts and use cause and effect to analyse information and link ideas. Spelling for the next two weeks will focus on: Week 4: The graph /y/ making the sound "i" as in pyramid. Week 5: The graph /ou/ making the sound "eh" as in famous.	
	digital system, bit, byte, internet, interface, internal.	

INQUIRY



The students will study Digital Technologies where they begin by looking at the history of computers. They will examine the main components of common digital systems and how such systems connect together. Moving on, they study different storage systems over the years and related terminology. We will have an incursion on Tuesday 31st October where students will be involved in the design process of building go carts. They will examine the influence of gravity and friction on how things move. Students will be challenged to work in teams to follow set design procedures ranging in complexity.

MATHS



We have started our learning on Shapes in our Geometry unit. This week we are focusing upon the Transformation of Shapes. Students will explore the mathematical vocabulary involved in how shapes are transformed including: reflection, rotation, translation, tessellate, symmetry and scale. We will then be moving onto exploring 2D and 3D shapes and their features.

WELL BEING



For our Wellbeing unit this term, in Weeks 4-5 we will be exploring the "Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships" Program. Our topic for this term is Stress Management. We hope that by developing Stress Management strategies, students will learn how to cope in a positive way, and build healthy relationships.

Activity 1: Stressors

Activity 2: Lifting the Mood Activity 3: Guided Relaxation

Please contact us if you have any questions..

Kind regards,

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