

EPHING VIEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

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KEY DATES

MEET AND GREET/
COMMUNITY DAY
21ST FEBRUARY

LABOUR DAY
MONDAY 13TH OF
MARCH

Welcome Back

Welcome to the first edition of the newsletter for 2023!

There are 7 grades in the Orange Portables this year.

Nathan Watson/Chloe Ulusoy (6NW), Stephanie Bagnato (6SB), Jackie Economakis (6JE), Melissa Parisi (6MP), Natasha Jovevska (6NJ), Anthony Gullaci (6AG) and Waqas Ahmad (6WA).

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome each family back to EVPS. The students have settled in well to the spacious rooms and gallery space. We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead with lots of fun and new learning. We are especially excited about the wonderful resources available to our students in the Orange Portables.

We have included some important information about the term ahead. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's classroom teacher. Sit back and enjoy the start of the journey into Year 6!

Information regarding Year 6 Camp will be available in the near future.

What's happening in Term 1

Electives

This term we have used student voice to decide the direction of learning in our electives. Students have been placed in two electives based on preferences they will complete at the beginning of the term. Year 6 electives will commence in Week 4 and are based on our Ethical Capability and Civics and Citizenship.



Specialist for Semester 1

During Semester One, Year 6 students will participate in our amazing specialist programs.

They will attend weekly sessions in the following subjects:

- Physical Education
- Digital Learning
- Italian
- Science
- Visual Arts

Students also have access to the school library once a week to borrow for their nightly reading homework. Interschool Sport will also run in Term 1 on Friday mornings. If your child

English

In Term 1, Year 6 students will participate in a broad range of activities. In Reading and Viewing, students will be exploring skills used when predicting by using their prior knowledge and evidence from the text. Students will then work on synthesising information by using different comprehension strategies to create new thoughts, ideas, opinions and perspectives. We will end the term by inferring character traits, feelings and motivations. In Writing, students will be planning, composing, editing and revising their narratives for most of the term and ending with a focus on Poetry. In Speaking and Listening, students will be participating and contributing to discussions, as well as developing and supporting their opinions.

Mathematics

Year 6 students will participate in a broad range of activities in Mathematics this term. In Number and Algebra, students will extend their understanding of place value, addition and subtraction. In Measurement and Geometry, they will focus on location and transformation.

Literacy – Reading

<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
3-5	Predicting	Predict what will happen next in the book using evidence.
6-8	Synthesising	Encourage your child to use a range of comprehension strategies to create new thoughts, ideas, opinions or perspectives about their independent text.
9-11	Inferencing	Ask your child questions where the answers are not directly stated in the text. Allowing them to use clues from the text and their own experiences to work out the answer.

Literacy – Writing

<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
3-8	Narrative	Have discussions with your child about fictional stories they are familiar with. Discuss potential characters, settings and problems they can have in their writing.
9-11	Poetry	Create a found poem at home, following the same steps your child has used at school.

Mathematics – Number and Algebra

<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
3-5	Place Value	Students are working with whole and decimal numbers. Practise reading, expanding and renaming numbers.
8-11	Addition and Subtraction	Practise subtraction in everyday situations such as shopping or playing board games. Play live Mathletics and complete activities related to addition and subtraction on Rainforest Math.

Mathematics – Measurement and Geometry

<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>What you can do at home to assist your child's learning</i>
6-7	Location and Transformation	Explore the Cartesian plane and its four quadrants.



How to support your child's reading

- Create a regular time and space for reading each night.
- Encourage your child to read the text type that we are working on at school.
- Ask your child questions about the text they are reading.
- Ask your children to predict what will happen next.
- Clarify the meaning of new words, try to work it out and check in a dictionary.
- Ask questions about what is happening in the text and try to answer them.