YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER
Week 2 - Term 1

WELCOME TO ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR

The new school year has begun and I am enjoying getting to know your children and everybody in the wider school community. The enthusiasm and drive that every child has brought into the class is contagious. I look forward to providing your child with a welcoming and well structured learning environment that caters for all abilities and interest.

Welcome

As well as myself being a new teacher, we also have a new student in our class this year. We welcome Raymond Drage to our class and wish him and his family a smooth transition into St John’s Lutheran School.

Parent Information Evening

This evening provides the opportunity for you to gain as much information about the school year as possible. Different aspects of the curriculum will be discussed as well as class expectations. It is important that parents attend to be well informed about the education of their children. The Parent Information Evening will be held on Tuesday the 11th of February and we look forward to seeing you there.

Physical Education

Our class will be involved in some aspect of a physical education lesson everyday of the week. This will be to keep the students active and help them develop motor skills as well as vital life skills like teamwork, resilience and communication. The main physical education lessons will be held on Fridays, so each Friday students in our class will be expected to wear sports uniform. On all other occasions school uniform is to be worn (as set down in the Uniform Brochure) unless you are notified via a diary note or information in the ‘Informer’. It is advisable that students bring their sneakers to school each day so that they can gain maximum benefit from PE sessions when they will be involved in a variety of activities. Each term the class will focus on 1or 2 sports; the game itself as well as the rules and history. This term we will be learning about Gaelic Football.

Swimming

All this week our class has been having swimming lessons in the afternoon. It has been great to see the enthusiasm but also development of each child, the next swimming superstar could very well come out of our class. To ensure the success of the Swimming Carnival on Friday the 21st of February, please encourage your child to participate in events that they are able to, so that we have a good field of swimmers in the morning events.
Learning in the classroom

A variety of resources and teaching methods is essential to creating an effective learning environment for every student. If you feel that you could offer information that could be useful to any units of work, please contact me so that your expertise can be shared. On occasions the use of multimedia such as movie clips and movies may be used to engage students and deepen thought. These could be rated PG so please sign the permission slip below to indicate your feeling towards this. I am more than happy to discuss the nature of the movies or movie clips with you.

Year 6/7 Camp

The Year Six and Year Seven Camp is being held in Week Nine of this term from Tuesday the 25th of March – Friday the 28th of March at the Warradale Urban Camp. We would like to travel by private cars to Gawler and then go by train to Adelaide. The camp is for four days and three nights and will cost approximately $250 per child. Camps are considered to be a valuable part of your child’s education and we are holding our camp in Term One in order to build relationships within the Upper Primary group of students. Our second Unit of Inquiry has as its central idea: Learning about who we are gives us an insight into our culture and how we belong. The camp will involve activities that give students an opportunity to explore what being an Australian really means. We therefore look forward to all students attending as the camp is an integral part of the Unit of Inquiry. Please return the consent form below by Thursday the 6th of February so that we can confirm numbers. Payment would be appreciated by Thursday the 20th of March and so if there are any difficulties concerning this, please contact Mrs Skinner or our Business Manager, Mr Larry Cavallaro.

I pray that this year is an excellent one for you and your child. May we all focus on the things that will help the year 6 children in their learning throughout the year.

Yours in Christ,

Daniel Ryan
Year 6 Teacher

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Parent Signature

I consent / do not consent to ________________ attending the Year 6 and Year 7 Camp to be held at Warradale Urban Camp and will provide payment by Thursday the 20th of March.

Signed ____________________

I consent / do not consent to ________________ viewing movies or movie clips throughout the year which have a PG Rating.

Signed ____________________

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